

# The Cerritos News

## Seniors invited to Health and Wellness Fair

The Cerritos Senior Center's annual Health and Wellness Fair will be held on Friday, October 14 at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Cerritos residents may enter the fair at 8:30 a.m. and non-residents may enter at 9 a.m. The event ends at noon.

The annual fair links seniors to resources that encourage a healthy, well-rounded approach to aging. Seniors age 50 years and older may participate in the screenings. A photo I.D. with current address is required to register and participate.

All coronavirus (COVID-19) requirements from public health officials are to be adhered to before, during and after the health fair. Routine Senior Center activities and classes will not take place on this day, and the Senior Center will close immediately after the event.

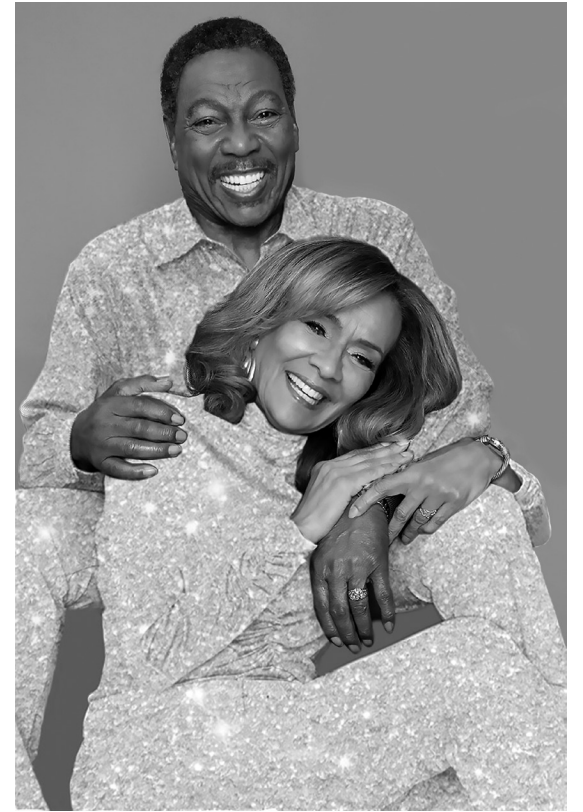
The Cerritos Senior Center is located at 12340 South Street in Cerritos. For more information, call (562) 916-8550. ■

## 1st CEB Program honors meritorious marines

The City of Cerritos adopted the 1st Combat Engineers Battalion (1st CEB), United States Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton, in 2007 to encourage strong ties between the Marine unit, residents and the City. Each month, the City joins with the Friends of the 1st CEB, a non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to supporting the unit, in honoring a marine for his or her high standards and outstanding work ethic and performance.

Marines are presented with a proclamation by the Cerritos City Council, and are provided with accommodations and entertainment for a weekend sponsored by local businesses. The program is designed to recognize the marines of the 1st CEB who serve our country and protect our freedom, in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

For more information about the 1st CEB Meritorious Marine Program, please call Chuck Sooter at (562) 860-8174. ■



*Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis, Jr. return to the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, October 29.*

## Water main flushing to continue during drought

The Cerritos Water Division conducts regular flushing of the water mains throughout the City to maintain the water system and to reduce stagnant water and sediment build-up. The City will continue to flush the water mains per the California State

Water Resources Control Board's recommendation as it relates to all public water distribution systems. For more information, call the Water Division at (562) 407-2674. ■

## CCPA's October lineup packs in the fun

The month of October offers a variety of shows at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) – from the Classics to R&B and everything in between.

Calling all Beach Boys fans! Join the group's co-founder, Al Jardine, as he and Carnie and Wendy Wilson of Wilson Phillips and his son, Matt Jardine, perform the group's timeless songs in the Al Jardine, Family, & Friends Tour. Enjoy all your favorite Beach Boys hits ("Help Me, Rhonda"; "California Girls"; "I Get Around"; "God Only Knows"; "Good Vibrations") and tunes from Wilson Phillips ("Hold On"; "The Dream Is Still Alive"; "You're in Love"; "Impulsive"; "Release Me"). The concert is at 8 p.m. on Friday, October 21. Ticket prices start at \$45.

Icons Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis, Jr. return to the CCPA with "Up, Up and Away! A Musical Fable" on Saturday, October 29 at 8 p.m. Featuring guest stars The Next Dimension, the show is a celebration of the husband-and-wife duo's iconic music ("Aquarius/Let the Sunshine in"; "You Don't Have to Be a Star [To Be in My Show]"; "Up, Up and Away") and also includes tributes to fellow music legends, including The Beatles and The 5th Dimension. Tickets start at \$45.

One of the greatest Motown/R&B/Funk groups of all time, The Commodores set the music world ablaze with the hits "Machine Gun," "Sail On," "Brick House" and the Grammy-winning "Nightshift." The Vocal Group Hall of Fame-inducted band has sold more than 75 million albums. Catch The Commodores on Sunday, October 30 at 7 p.m. Ticket prices start at \$55.

Order tickets at [cerritoscenter.com](http://cerritoscenter.com) or by calling the Ticket Office at (562) 916-8500. ■

## Scare up some fun at the City's Halloween Festival

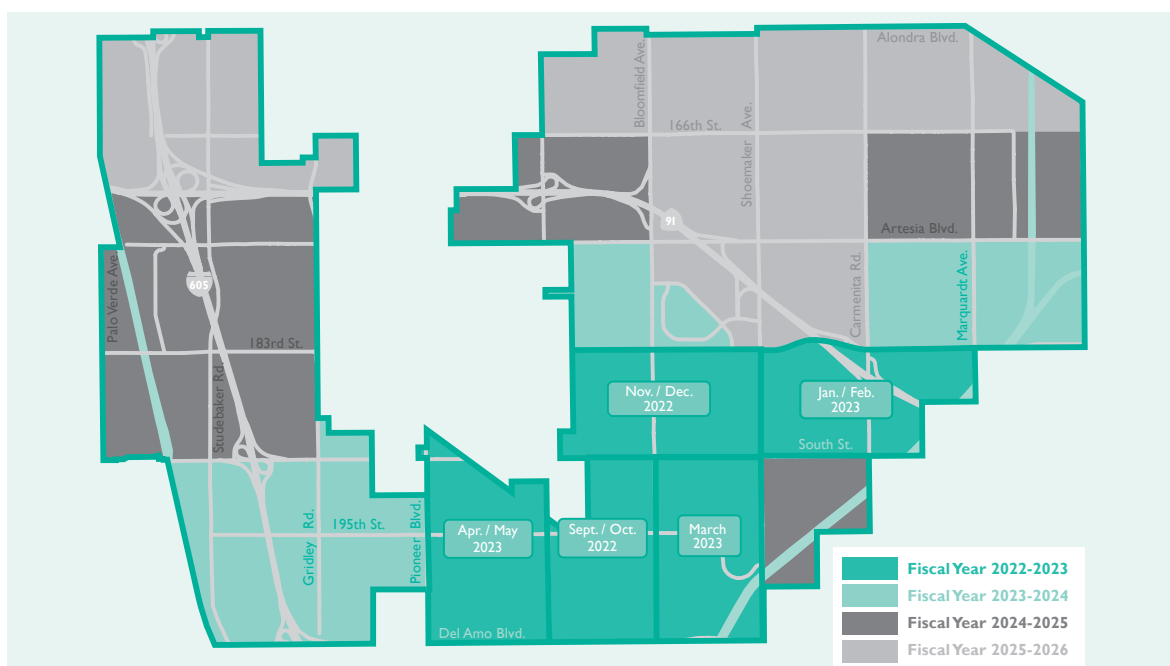
The City of Cerritos is hosting a Halloween Festival on Monday, October 31 from 5 to 9 p.m. in partnership with Los Cerritos Center.

The event will take place at the mall near the dining court parking lot. Attendees can participate in costume parades and enjoy entertainment, game booths, rides and gourmet food trucks.

All-night ride wristbands are available for \$10 (cash only) and can be purchased at the event until 8:30 p.m. Bills over \$20 will not be accepted. All participants must have a wristband to ride, and adults may be required to accompany children on certain rides.

For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

## Tree Trimming Schedule through Fiscal Years 2023–2026



# City Council Recap

City Council/Successor Agency meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at City Hall or via teleconference. For details, call the Office of the City Clerk/Treasurer from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at (562) 916-1248.

## July 28, 2022

- Approved Mayor Vo's nomination of Sandra Gonzalez to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a two-year term of service, commencing July 28, 2022 and expiring April 30, 2024.
- Waived full reading of and adopted Resolution No. 2022-32, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cerritos, California, authorizing and implementing teleconference accessibility for conducting public meetings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.
- Ratified the executed Budget Amendments from the Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 as summarized in the Budget Adjustment Log presented in the associated agenda report.
- Directed staff to schedule, no earlier than the second regular City Council meeting in March 2023, the publicly noticed review and consideration of introduction, and subsequent publicly noticed adoption, of an ordinance to establish the City's general municipal election date as the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March of odd-numbered years and conduct the City's next general municipal election on Tuesday, March 4, 2025.
- Adjourned in memory of Beverle Ray, long-time Cerritos resident and wife of former Mayor and Councilmember George Ray.

## Homeowners' Exemption program provides property tax savings

The Los Angeles County Assessor's Office Homeowners' Exemption (HOX) program reduces the assessed value of a home or condo by \$7,000 for tax purposes, which translates to a reduction of \$70 annually to a homeowner's property tax bill.

The property must be the owner's principal place of residence as of January 1, and an application must be submitted in order for a homeowner to qualify. Applications received after February 15 are prorated for that year, but the homeowner will receive the full amount the following years. The savings will continue until a change is recorded.

For more information or to request an application, call (213) 974-3211 or (888) 807-2111. Applications also are available at [assessor.lacounty.gov/exemptions/homeowner-exemption](http://assessor.lacounty.gov/exemptions/homeowner-exemption). ■

## Cerritos Library offers new eBook service

Cerritos Library cardholders can now access eBooks for All California, a collection of more than 40,000 eBooks and audiobooks. This free service offers fiction and non-fiction materials for all ages and is made possible by the California State Library.

The collection's fiction categories include Classics, Comics & Graphic Novels, Historical Fiction, Mystery, Romance and Thriller. Non-fiction categories include Art & Design, Biography & Memoir, Personal Finance & Business, Food & Health, History, Reference & Study Aids and Travel.

The collection can be accessed through The Palace Project app. To access the app, visit the app store (on iOS or Android) and search for The Palace Project. Install and open the app and search for Cerritos Library. You will then need to enter your Cerritos Library card barcode number and PIN. You can then browse all the titles of eBooks or audiobooks in the collection, check out titles and begin reading or listening.

The Palace App will support the latest version of Android operating systems and the two previous OS versions. Android devices supported include phones and tablets. The Palace App will support the latest version of iOS (on iPhone or iPad) and the two previous iOS versions.

Chromebooks and Fire OS are not supported by

The Palace Project app. The devices and operating systems listed below will not work with the Palace app:

- Any Android devices running an operating system older than Android 5.0
- Nook HD/HX+, Nook Tablet, Nook Color
- Older Kindle Fire phones and tablets, Kindle Paperwhite
- Kobo e-readers

eBooks for All California includes the California State Library Palace Marketplace collection, the Palace Bookshelf of open materials and the California Enki BiblioBoard collection. The loan period varies from 21 days to perpetual use. Palace Bookshelf/Feedbooks/Standard Ebooks titles are all simultaneous and perpetual use titles that never need to be returned. The checkout timeframe is displayed in the app on the book details page after the item has been checked out and downloaded (underneath where it says Read and Return). If the title has a set checkout period, the ebook or audiobook will automatically return.

Books that have the one user at a time type of licensing model can be reserved if all copies are checked out.

For more information about the eBooks for All California service, please call the Cerritos Library Reference Desk at (562) 916-1342. ■

## Groundwater remediation project planned at Civic Center parking structure

The Cerritos City Council recently authorized a budget amendment for the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$1,645,000 from the General Fund for groundwater remediation at the Civic Center, and awarded a \$3,022,510 contract to Mehta Mechanical Co., Inc. of La Palma for the groundwater remediation project.

The project includes constructing a wet well, two lift stations, several manholes, new sewer lines and structural improvements in an effort to divert groundwater extracted from the Civic Center parking structure to the sanitary sewer system. Tiles in the structure's stairwells will also be replaced and stairwell shade structures added. A canopy will be

constructed to aid in the diversion of rainwater.

The project also includes the construction of a four-inch sewer pipe and flow meter at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts to assist in de-watering the subterranean orchestra pit by discharging collected groundwater to the existing sewer line.

The total cost of the project is eligible for funding through the City's Measure W local return. Known as the "Safe, Clean Water Program," Measure W provides dedicated funding to increase local water supply, improve water quality and protect public health. In Cerritos, the Measure W local return is estimated at \$970,000 annually and must be used toward water-quality programs and projects. ■

## Contracts awarded for CCPA roof replacement

The Cerritos City Council has awarded contracts related to the replacement of the roof at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.

A \$2,485,773 contract was issued to Letner Roofing Company to replace the roof in certain areas of the building and install a high-performance coating system with a 15-year manufacturer's guarantee.

BEAM Professionals of Costa Mesa was awarded a \$170,000 professional services contract for

construction administration and inspection services for the project.

The original designer of the CCPA tile roof, artist April Grieman, was retained to assist in the review and selection of the color palette for the roof. Grieman will be paid \$7,000 for her services.

The City Council authorized a budget amendment for the appropriation of \$323,643 from the CCPA Endowment Fund toward the roof project. ■

## City of Cerritos names new CCPA Executive Director



**Jeff Thielke has been named Executive Director of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.**

The City of Cerritos has named Jeff Thielke the new Executive Director of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA).

As Executive Director of the CCPA, Thielke manages the daily operations of the CCPA, including front of house, backstage, marketing and Ticket Office operations. He is responsible for negotiating performances, preparing and monitoring the theater budget, maximizing donations and maintaining a cohesive organization that can work effectively within the arts community and the City organization.

Thielke began working for the City of Cerritos in October 2003 as Stage Crew Supervisor for the CCPA. He was promoted to Management Analyst for the CCPA

in August 2014 and became the Budget Manager for the City in August 2017.

In addition to his experience with the City of Cerritos, Thielke has worked as a production manager, stage technician, technical director, theater manager and entertainment business and production consultant for such companies as Show Development West, Inc., The Walt Disney Company, City of Thousand Oaks, California State University, Northridge, and Brea Olinda Unified School District.

Thielke received his bachelor of arts degree in theatre/theatre arts management from Pepperdine University, and his master of public administration from California, State University, Dominguez Hills. ■

# October Library News

## LIBRARY HOURS

Monday–Friday  
11 a.m.–7 p.m.

Saturday–Sunday  
11 a.m.–5 p.m.

## REGISTRATION

In order to register, patrons must be in the City's RACER registration database. For more information, please visit the City of Cerritos website at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us).

### CLASSES/RACER ONLINE REGISTRATION TIPS

To check the availability or to register for classes, please visit the Cerritos website at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us) and look for the Classes/RACER link. You will not receive confirmation by mail for classes registered online.

Please print a receipt at the conclusion of your transaction and bring it with you to the first day of the event or class. For additional information, please call the Library Reservation Desk at (562) 916-1388. Computers at the Cerritos Library may be used to access RACER.

### ONLINE REGISTRATION

#### cerritos.us

Cerritos Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Mon., Oct. 3 at 11 a.m.**

Non-Resident online registration for all programs listed begins **Sat., Oct. 8 at 11 a.m.**

### PHONE REGISTRATION

#### Call (562) 916-1388

Cerritos Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins **Tues., Oct. 4 at 11 a.m.**

Non-Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins **Sat., Oct. 8 at 11 a.m.**

### WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Mon., Oct. 3 at 11 a.m.**

Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins **Sat., Oct. 8 at 11 a.m.**



## SAFETY REMINDER

It is strongly recommended that everyone age 2 and older wear a face covering when inside the Cerritos Library, per the Los Angeles County Health Officer Order.

## COVID-19 WAIVER

Program participants will be required to complete a COVID-19 waiver.

## The following Library programs require advance registration:

For more information call (562) 916-1388, unless otherwise noted.  
Seating is limited for all programs.

### STORYTIMES

Cerritos Library's 30-45 minute storytimes incorporating stories and audience participation will be held in the Little Theater. Only children registered for storytime may be brought to the program. Space is limited to 15 participants.

#### Thursdays at 11 a.m. for ages 2-5

<b>9324</b>	Thurs., Oct. 13
<b>9325</b>	Thurs., Oct. 20
<b>9326</b>	Thurs., Oct. 27
<b>9327</b>	Thurs., Nov. 3

#### Second Saturday of the month at 1:15 p.m. for ages 5 and under

<b>9328</b>	Sat., Oct. 8
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### ANIMAL CROSSING LOTERÍA

Play the traditional game with a twist. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with an afternoon of Animal Crossing Lotería! Lotería is a traditional Latin-American game of chance, similar to bingo, but using images on a deck of cards instead of numbers on ping-pong balls. Space is limited to 10 participants.

<b>9329</b>	Mon., Oct. 10	3:30-4:15 p.m.
	Ages 8-11	Little Theater

### PUMPKIN DECORATING CLASS

Use your creativity and imagination to decorate your very own small pumpkin. All supplies included. The fee is \$5 per child. Space is limited to 12 participants.

<b>9340</b>	Wed., Oct. 12	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Ages 7-11	Skyline Room A

### CREATIVE WRITING FOR TEENS

Learn how to incorporate your creative thoughts into fictional stories with interesting characters, enchanting settings and riveting plot lines. Space is limited to 15 participants.

<b>9331</b>	Fri., Oct. 14	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 14-17	Hi-Tech Lab
<b>9332</b>	Fri., Oct. 28	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 14-17	Hi-Tech Lab

### SPOOKY STEM AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

Join us for an afternoon of fun STEM related activities. For ages 7-9 years old. Space is limited to 12 participants.

<b>9333</b>	SPOOKY SLIME	3:30 p.m.
	Fri., Oct. 14	Art Studio
<b>9334</b>	GLOWING GHOST	3:30 p.m.
	Fri., Oct. 21	Art Studio
<b>9335</b>	MOVING BOX	3:30 p.m.
	Fri., Oct. 28	Art Studio

### PUMPKIN CARVING FOR TEENS

Join us in carving your very own Jack-O-Lantern. All supplies included. The fee is \$5 per teen. Space is limited to 12 participants.

<b>9341</b>	Mon., Oct. 17	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 12-17	Skyline Room A

### CRAFTS FOR ADULTS: EMBROIDERY

Document your travels within the U.S. by stitching a custom map. Students will learn a stick and stitch technique for transferring the pattern to fabric, how to load an embroidery hoop and a few basic stitches. If you have attended an embroidery class before, please bring your hoop. The fee is \$5. No refunds will be given. Space is limited to 16 participants.

<b>9339</b>	Wed., Oct. 19	6 p.m.
	Ages 18 & Over	Skyline Room

### DUPLO LEGO CLUB

Duplo Lego Club is open to children ages 2-4. Little ones can build and create while improving their motor skills. Space is limited to 12 participants.

<b>9337</b>	Fri., Oct. 28	11 a.m.-noon
	Ages 2-4	Little Theater

### DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS 3D PRINTED SUGAR SKULLS

Celebrate the Day of the Dead and decorate your own 3D printed sugar skulls. All supplies included. Space is limited to 15 participants.

<b>9338</b>	Wed., Nov. 2	5:30-6:30 p.m.
	Ages 8-11	Art Studio

## Observing with NASA

The following programs and display are part of the Observing with NASA project that is a partnership between the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory and Smithsonian Affiliations, supported by NASA award number 80NSSC19M0158.

### STARS & MOON STORYTIME & CRAFT

Join us for a stars and moon-themed storytime and craft. Space is limited to 15 participants.

<b>9330</b>	Tues., Oct. 11	5:30-6:30 p.m.
	Ages 3-6	Little Theater/ Art Studio

### INTERNATIONAL OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT

The library invites patrons to participate in "International Observe the Moon Night." Patrons will view the Moon through a telescope, enjoy Moon-related activities for children and use the OWN kiosk to create a photo of the moon or other celestial objects.

Sat., Oct. 1	5:30-7 p.m.
All Ages	Front of Library & Main Street

### IN CONVERSATION WITH DR. BRUCE BETTS

Dr. Bruce Betts is Chief Scientist and LightSail Program Manager for The Planetary Society, the world's largest space interest group. He studied planetary surfaces, including Mars, the Moon and Jupiter's moons, using infrared and other data, and published several scientific papers on these subjects. In addition to his vast accomplishments, Dr. Betts is the author of "Astronomy for Kids: How to Explore Outer Space with Binoculars, a Telescope, or Just Your Eyes!" He regularly writes for The Planetary Society member magazine, The Planetary Report and his blog on [planetary.org](http://planetary.org).

Thurs., Oct. 13	6 p.m.
All Ages	Skyline Room

### A SPACE TALK WITH JARED HEAD

Join us as Jared Head, a rocket scientist and Solar System Ambassador for NASA, shares his knowledge on astronomy and astrophotography. Head also works at Griffith Observatory sharing complex science information with the public. He often co-hosts a science podcast about spaceflight.

Wed., Oct. 26	7 p.m.
All Ages	Skyline Room

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## ASTRONOMY FAMILY NIGHT

Come out and enjoy a night gazing at the stars. Telescopes will be set up on the Skyline Room terrace, while fun astronomy and hands-on science activities will be available in the Skyline Room for the whole family to enjoy.

Thurs., Nov. 3 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room & Terrace

## OBSERVING WITH NASA (OWN) KIOSK AT THE CERRITOS LIBRARY

The Cerritos Library will host "Observing with NASA," an exhibit kiosk from the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory that engages visitors in the art and science of NASA imagery throughout the months of September, October and November of 2022. "Observing with NASA" offers an introduction to the tools, data and skills that NASA space scientists and data visualization experts use to create the images of deep space that we all know and love.

## The following Library programs do not require advance registration:

### LA CASA DE ADOBE: STORIES AND SONGS FROM ALTA CALIFORNIA

Dr. Gloria Arjona explores the history of Spanish and Mexican California through stories, photography and songs. The songs presented in this program are largely based on the work of American journalist and collector Charles Fletcher Lummis, who compiled old Spanish-language songs in the early 20th century.

Tues., Oct. 4 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

### CELLO RECITAL YINGYING ZHANG AND HER STUDENTS

The students of Yingying Zhang, a well-known cellist, will perform a recital of cello and string music.

Fri., Oct. 7 7:30 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

### GEOGRAPHIC LITERACY WRITING WORKSHOP

Poet Mike Sonksen will lead a presentation about the Los Angeles State Historic Park, one of California's State Parks. He will then lead a writing workshop focusing on geographical spaces. Notebooks and writing utensils will be provided, although participants are welcome to bring their own materials. This program was supported in whole or in part by funding provided by the State of California, administered by the California State Library.

The program is offered as part of the California State Library Parks Pass project.

Mon., Oct. 10 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

### FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

Join us to celebrate Filipino American History Month with a poetry reading by Allan Aquino and a musical performance by Domingo Magwili. Aquino is a poet and professor of Asian American Studies at California State University, Northridge. Magwili is currently teaching Asian American Film & Video as well as Preserving Community through Performance at California State University, Fullerton.

Tues., Oct. 18 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

### BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

The Book Club for Adults will meet for a book discussion. Participants will discuss the book "Klara and the Sun" by Kazuo Ishiguro. For more information, call Jo-Anne Alvarez at (562) 916-1340.

Wed., Oct. 19 11 a.m.-noon Skyline Room

### ARTS & CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on Halloween craft will be held in the Art Studio for children ages 2-12. This glue-and-go craft will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

Fri., Oct. 21 11 a.m.-Noon & 5-6 p.m.  
Ages 2-12 Art Studio

### AN EVENING WITH NITYASHETRA DANCE SCHOOL

Guru Deepali Vora is the founder and director of Nityashetra Dance School of Southern California, one of the leading schools of Bharatanatyam. Bharatanatyam is characterized by clean, deliberate movements, exuberant leaps and bends, subtle neck and eye movements and crisp, intricate footwork. Join as students from Nityashetra Dance School share the art of this ancient dance form.

Mon., Oct. 24 6 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

### NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: "INVASION OF THE BODY SNATCHERS" (1956)

Theo Siegel will discuss the making of "Invasion of the Body Snatchers," followed by a screening of the film. This film is rated PG and has a running time of 80 minutes.

Thurs., Oct. 27 6 p.m.  
Ages 18 & Over Skyline Room

### MEET AUTHOR casey cui

Author casey cui will read from her book, "Groovy Girl." casey cui, a.k.a. Maritza Roño Refuerzo, was born in a beach town in Southern California, and her ancestors hail from Madrid and Bilbao, Spain; Xiamen, China; and the western coast of the island of Luzon in the Philippines. cui is a University of California, Berkeley alumna and current pickleball student at her local recreation center.

Fri., Oct. 28 7 p.m.  
All Ages Skyline Room

### DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS WRITING WORKSHOP

Jose Hernandez Diaz will lead a Day of the Dead writing workshop. Diaz will first share celebrated Latinx poems, including Día de Los Muertos poems.

Following the instructor's writing prompts, participants will write drafts of poems about Día de Los Muertos, ancestors and the Latinx experience.

Tues., Nov. 1 7 p.m.  
Ages 13 & Over Skyline Room

### BOOK SALE SET FOR OCTOBER 29

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will hold a one-day book sale from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, October 29, in front of the Cerritos Library. In the event of rain, the book sale will be held inside the library. A great selection of fiction and nonfiction books, foreign language books and multi-media items will be available at bargain prices. Come early for the best selection.

### IN-N-OUT COVER TO COVER READING PROGRAM

The In-N-Out Cover to Cover reading program is back! Children will receive an award of a certificate for one free hamburger or cheeseburger for every five books read, up to three awards! Children between the ages of 4 and 12 with a Cerritos Library Beanstack account and a valid library card are eligible to participate. If the child is not able to read on their own, their parent may read to them.

Children will use Beanstack to log their reading, either through the app or the website. Children must read and log five books to earn each digital badge (the badge will turn from black-and-white to color once the goal is met). When children earn a badge, they qualify for a Cover to Cover Achievement Award certificate, which can be redeemed for an In-N-Out hamburger or cheeseburger. Children may earn up to three badges and can receive a maximum of three Achievement Award certificates (one per week), while supplies last. The Cover to Cover Program kicks off on Monday, October 3 and will run through Monday, November 7.

## Library Exhibition

### Hand Fans, Artifacts of History Exhibition

The Cerritos Library will host an exhibition of hand-held fans from the collection of Tracy Winkler. The hand fans have been collected from around the world and cover a time period from the 1850s to the present day. The exhibition includes a wide variety of fans from Asia, Spain, Europe and the Americas. On display are examples of fixed, folding, cockade and brisé fans. These fans are constructed from a wide variety of materials, including feathers, fabric, lace, plastic, shell and bone. This exhibit will run until October 30, 2022.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH WORKS

If you see something,  
say something.

(562) 860-0044



## Entries sought for Kids Poster Contest

The City of Cerritos is hosting a Kids Poster Contest with the theme "Building Community Through Art." The contest is open to Cerritos residents ages 5 to 14 and students in the ABC Unified School District, Valley Christian Schools or Bellflower Unified School District.

Entries must be original artwork, no larger than 11 inches by 17 inches, and may feature any drawing or painting materials (pencils, chalks, pastels, crayons, watercolors and/or acrylics). Do not mat, mount or frame the posters. Include the artist's name, age,

address and phone number on the back of the poster or use the official entry form available at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us). Completed entries must be delivered to the Recreation Services Division at City Hall by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 19.

Winning posters will be displayed on the City's website at [cerritos.us](http://cerritos.us) starting Friday, October 28 through Monday, November 28. For more information, call the Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

# Business Spotlight

## Robaina Industries

Robaina Industries was recently selected for the City's Business Spotlight Program, which showcases companies that foster pride in the community, provide jobs and contribute to the local economy.

Founded in 1984, Robaina Industries started as an auto-body association and has evolved into a national presence testing and researching the auto industry's equipment to find the most trusted and quality tools. Robaina offers collision repair systems and welding equipment for automotive and industrial applications, glass repair kits and hand tools. Its training services have been approved by vehicle manufacturers.

Robaina Industries collaborates with Cerritos College's automotive and welding training programs, donating equipment and training services. Robaina's customers include auto dealerships, auto repair technicians, auto insurance companies, technical schools and automotive equipment suppliers.

The business is located at 18000 Studebaker Road, Suite 700 in Cerritos. The website is [robainaindustries.com](http://robainaindustries.com).

## Civic Center parking structure to be upgraded

The Cerritos City Council recently awarded Slater Waterproofing, Inc. of Montclair a \$1,043,793.50 contract to rehabilitate the Civic Center parking structure. The work includes replacing existing waterproof membrane and miscellaneous structural repairs.

There will be intermittent parking closures throughout the structure over the timeline of this work. Signs will be posted as needed to announce closures. Additionally, the drive aisle north of the Cerritos Library that connects Bloomfield Avenue with the Civic Center will be closed periodically. The upgrade is expected to be completed in 2023.

The Cerritos City Council authorized a budget amendment for the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$111,891.81 from the General Fund for the project. ■

## Don't miss "Taste of the Region"

This year's "Taste of the Region & Business Expo" will take place on Thursday, October 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.

Hosted by the Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce, the event showcases the best of local businesses, offering raffle prizes and samples from the region's restaurants and local businesses. Admission is \$15, which includes a wristband for all-access food and beverage samples, business exhibits, auto displays, live entertainment, raffle opportunities and free parking. Children younger than 5 get in free with a paying adult.

For more information, visit [tasteofcerritos.com](http://tasteofcerritos.com). ■

## Attend Veterans Day Ceremony

The community is invited to attend the City of Cerritos Veterans Day Ceremony on Friday, November 11 near the Cerritos Veterans Memorial in the Cerritos Civic Center. The program begins at 9:45 a.m. with prelude music and the ceremony is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. The event is being held in honor of those who have defended our nation's freedom by serving in the United States Armed Forces.

For more information about the Veterans Day Ceremony, contact the Community Participation Division at (562) 865-8101. ■

## Athens Services takes over City's trash collection

In April, trash service in the City of Cerritos was transferred from CalMet Services, Inc. to Athens Services. Because Athens utilized CalMet's staff and equipment to service Cerritos accounts, there was no immediate change to collection routes, trucks, billing, fees or contact information. Effective September 1, Cerritos accounts are now billed for trash service through Athens Services.

Founded in 1957, the family-owned waste collection and recycling company Athens Services holds more than 30 solid waste management contracts with municipalities in Los Angeles County. ■

## Tips to stay safe on Halloween

For a safe and fun Halloween, follow these tips:

- If you forgo door-to-door trick-or-treating, consider attending the City's Halloween Festival from 5 to 9 p.m. on Monday, October 31 at the Los Cerritos Center.
- Your children's costumes should be fire-retardant and non-restrictive to allow free movement and uninhibited vision. Masks should not hinder a child's breathing.
- Provide adequate warm clothing under the costume to protect against cold weather if necessary.
- Always remain in familiar territory.
- When going door-to-door, travel in groups with at least one responsible adult.
- Use flashlights, "Glo-sticks" or lighted wands to help you see and be seen.
- If a home does not have a porch light turned on, the residents likely do not want to be disturbed.
- Use discretion in determining which homes children should approach.
- Obey all pedestrian traffic laws. Cross at intersections and consider the existing street lighting. Keep the group together; kids can get caught up in the excitement and may run ahead of the group.
- Carefully inspect all items received before anything is eaten. Throw away treats that are not securely wrapped by the manufacturer.
- Consider only eating candied apples or other homemade treats if you know the person who prepared them.
- If you will be passing out candy, secure pets, remove all obstructions from the path to your porch and avoid using any open flame near the door. ■

## Holiday lights permitted for Diwali

Holiday lights and decorations are permitted in the City to celebrate the Diwali holiday. No commercial messages may be displayed and the lights and decorations must be removed within 15 days after the holiday. The five-day Diwali holiday falls between mid-October and mid-November. ■

# TV3 Schedule: October

## City Council and Commission Meetings

### Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, October 13 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, October 14 and 9 a.m. on Monday, October 17

7 p.m. on Thursday, October 27 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, October 28 and 9 a.m. on Monday, October 31

### Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, October 6 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Monday, October 10 and 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 11

### Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, October 7 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12

### Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 27 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 1

## Program Highlights

### Mayor's Weekly 60

6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4; 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 13; 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18; and 4 p.m. on Friday, October 28

### Golden Dragon Acrobats at the CCPA

7 p.m. on Sunday, October 2; 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 15; 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 22; and 11 a.m. on Monday, October 24

### Big Bad Voodoo Daddy in Concert at the CCPA

4 p.m. on Sunday, October 2; 7 p.m. on Friday, October 7; 5 p.m. on Saturday, October 8; and 11 a.m. on Friday, October 14

### Concerts Under the Stars: Knyght Ryder

8 p.m. on Saturday, October 1; 9 p.m. on Sunday, October 9; 4 p.m. on Thursday, October 13; and 10 a.m. on Friday, October 28

### Author Showcase: Erika Lee

8 a.m. on Sunday, October 16; 9 a.m. on Thursday, October 20; and 4 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25

For Cerritos TV3 schedule and streaming video, visit: [cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/tv3.php](http://cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/tv3.php)

# Calendar of Events

- October 1 • **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on October 8, 15, 22 and 29.
- October 2 • **Community Center hours change to 10 a.m.-6 p.m.**
- October 3 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Virginia Harmon at (562) 477-3051. Also on October 17.
- October 4 • **Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 18. Contact CT Chu at (562) 276-5831.
- **ABC Unified School District Board meeting**, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos. Also on October 18.
- October 5 • **Planning Commission meeting**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Chuck Sooter at (562) 860-8174.
- October 6 • **Parks and Recreation Commission meeting**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Denny's, 16907 Pioneer Blvd., Artesia. Also on October 13 and 27. Contact Manilal Fernando at (562) 402-4700.
- **Cerritos (Mid-City) Korean-American Senior Citizens Association**, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 20. Contact Kyo Kim at (562) 900-9382.
- **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 20. Contact Dinesh Shah at (562) 650-4587.
- **Formosa Senior Association**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 20. Contact Christine Lee at (213) 219-1430.
- **Bellflower Unified School District Board meeting**, 7:30 p.m., 16703 S. Clark Avenue, Bellflower.
- October 7 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 21. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 331-0938.
- October 10 • **Columbus Day**
- October 11 • **The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 25. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- October 12 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., 10929 South St., Cerritos, Suite 116B. Also on October 26. Contact Mary Ann Tipton at (562) 706-2881.
- October 13 • **City Council meeting**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Sue Verway at (562) 926-2660.
- October 14 • **Senior Health and Wellness Fair**, 8:30 a.m.-noon. Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park.
- October 16 • **National Friends of the Libraries Week**
- October 20 • **Taste of the Region & Business Expo**, 4-7 p.m., Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Contact Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce at (562) 467-0800 or visit [tasteofcerritos.com](http://tasteofcerritos.com).
- **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women**, 6:30 p.m. Contact Faith Herschler at (714) 821-4067 or Cathy Niederman at (714) 826-4374 for location.
- October 25 • **Property Preservation Commission meeting**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- October 27 • **City Council meeting**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Folk Dancers**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Julith Neff at (562) 881-9504.
- **Da' Hawaii Senior Club**, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Carmelita Tiongson at (562) 305-7995.
- October 31 • **Halloween Festival**, 5-9 p.m., Los Cerritos Center. For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254.

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## City of Cerritos COVID-19 update

Please note that the following information is current as of September 20.

At press time, the County was reporting a total of 11,747 cases of COVID-19 in Cerritos and 88 deaths due to COVID-19. There were 176 reported cases of COVID-19 and two deaths in the unincorporated area of Cerritos. This represents an increase of 436 cases and zero deaths in Cerritos since the September issue of "The Cerritos News." ■

## Resources sought for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Ceremony

Planning is under way for the City's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Ceremony to be held on Monday, January 16, 2023.

The Community Participation Division is seeking resources from the public for the event. Members of the community are invited to suggest speakers, inspirational text, quotations or other resources by calling (562) 865-8101 or submitting suggestions to the Community Participation Division, P.O. Box 3130, Cerritos, CA 90703. Suggestions may also be submitted by email to [community\\_participation@cerritos.us](mailto:community_participation@cerritos.us). ■

## Short-term rentals banned in Cerritos

Cerritos residential property owners are reminded that the City of Cerritos prohibits short-term rentals.

Short-term rentals refer to leasing or renting a single-family residential dwelling unit (in whole or in part) for 31 days or fewer. The most common types of short-term rentals are vacation rentals and home-sharing rentals, which are both prohibited. The Sheraton Cerritos Hotel located in the commercially zoned Cerritos Towne Center is not considered a short-term rental under the ordinance.

The ban strives to protect Cerritos residential neighborhoods from the noise, nuisances, added traffic and other adverse factors that can arise with short-term rentals. Appropriate enforcement measures will be taken against those who violate the City ordinance. ■

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