

The Cerritos News

CCPA presents the best of Broadway, ballet and more in February



Shaolin Warriors performs Saturday, February 18 at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.

February brings a diverse lineup to the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA).

Starting off the month is Bernadette Peters, who has dazzled scores of audiences and critics throughout her stellar career. One of Broadway's favorite leading ladies, Peters has enchanted in "Song & Dance," "Annie Get Your Gun," "Sunday in the Park With George" and "Into the Woods." The Tony winner returns Thursday, February 2 at 8 p.m.

Set to Tchaikovsky's magnificent score, the classic fairy tale "Sleeping Beauty" comes to life with vibrant costumes, elaborate sets and the Russian National Ballet Theatre dancers. The performance takes place Saturday, February 4 at 8 p.m.

Embraced internationally as one of the most popular Irish Step dance shows in the world, Rhythm of the

Dance presents an inspiring epic reliving the journey of the Irish-Celts throughout history. The show marries traditional dance and music with state-of-the-art technology on Friday, February 10 at 8 p.m.

The CCPA presents "The Summit: The Manhattan Transfer Meets Take 6," on Saturday, February 11 at 8 p.m. The evening features the pop group The Manhattan Transfer and the a capella sextet Take 6, delivering everything from Jazz to Swing, and Gospel and R&B. The bands will perform together and separately.

The young soprano Jackie Evancho, who charmed a nation with her powerful performance on "America's Got Talent," graces the stage Sunday, February 12 at 7 p.m. Evancho has since ruled the "Billboard" charts with the albums "Songs From the Silver Screen," "O Holy Night" and "Dream With Me."

City to observe Presidents' Day

Cerritos City Hall, the City Clerk's Office, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Office will be closed on Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents' Day. All park facilities will maintain regular hours. Trash collection schedules will not be affected. The City's street sweeping parking ordinance will not be enforced from February 20 to 24. ■

Don't miss the Festival of Friendship

The community is invited to celebrate Cerritos' rich cultural diversity at the City's Festival of Friendship from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 4. The City of Cerritos and the Let Freedom Ring Committee, in conjunction with the Los Cerritos Center, are presenting the event. The festival will be held in the Los Cerritos Center.

The Festival of Friendship will feature a variety of cultural entertainment on two stages. Local groups will perform an assortment of ethnic songs and dances.

Special commemorative gifts will be distributed at each stage. For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

Rob Kapilow presents "MOZART – A Little Night Music (Eine Kleine Nachtmusik)" on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:30 p.m. The "What Makes It Great?" program features violinists Hao Zhou and Lucy Wang, violist Johanna Nowik and cellist Tate Zawadiuk.

It's a flashback to the '70s when the Swedish band Arrival re-creates the signature sound and style of pop sensation ABBA, who rocked music charts with hit after hit, including "The Winner Takes It All," "Money, Money, Money," "Knowing Me, Knowing You" and "Dancing Queen." Mark your calendar for Friday, February 17 at 8 p.m.

With mesmerizing skill, stunning movements and spectacular imagery, martial-arts masters Shaolin Warriors showcases kung fu in a fully choreographed production that offers insight into the warriors' daily life and Zen philosophy. Don't miss the action on Saturday, February 18 at 8 p.m.

Direct From Dublin, Ireland, The Five Irish Tenors perform "Program II – Pops" on Sunday, February 19 at 3 p.m. The tenors deliver Irish tunes and pop songs by performers such as The Beatles and Billy Joel. The program includes "Hey Jude," "The Piano Man," the Irish favorite "Danny Boy" and W.B. Yeats' "Down By the Sally Gardens."

From the award-winning composers of "Ragtime" comes a theatrical Caribbean adaptation of "The Little Mermaid." The musical "Once on This Island" – a tale of romance, tragedy, redemption and rebirth – features an astounding score, a live orchestra and captivating choreography set to an irresistible Calypso beat. Based on Rosa Guy's novel "My Love, My Love," the musical features lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty. Show times are Friday, February 24 and March 3 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, February 25 and March 4 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; Sunday, February 26 and March 5 at 2 p.m.; and Thursday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. The show is presented by Broadway Performance Partner 3D Theatricals.

For more information, call the CCPA Ticket Office at (562) 916-8500 or visit cerritoscenter.com. ■

Cerritos General Municipal Election to be held April 11, 2017

The Cerritos General Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 for two (2) four-year term City Council seats. The deadline to register to vote in this election is Monday, March 27, 2017.

Los Angeles County will hold a separate special election countywide on Tuesday, March 7, 2017.

To register to vote, individuals must be a citizen of the United States, a resident of California, 18 years of age or older by the time of the election and not in prison or on parole from a felony conviction. You must be a resident of Cerritos to vote in the April 11, 2017 election.

Voter registration forms can be obtained at the Cerritos City Clerk's Office located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., except on holidays. Voter registration forms are also available at City facilities, including the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, Cerritos Library, City Hall and community centers. Additional election information is available by calling (562) 916-1248 or visiting cerritos.us and lavote.net. ■



The Festival of Friendship on Saturday, February 4 at Los Cerritos Center will feature a variety of cultural entertainment performed by local groups.

Calendar of Events

- January 27 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 3, 10, 17 and 24. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- January 28 • **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on February 4, 11, 18 and 25.
- **Recreation Services Youth Baseball** registration, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sports Complex. Also on February 1, 4-8 p.m. and February 4, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
 - **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on January 29, February 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- January 31 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers. Also on February 28.
- **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on February 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Sharon Hamel at (562) 598-6165.
 - **Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Emma Tung at (562) 924-8730.
 - **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Jashbhai Patel at (562) 412-8202.
 - **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street, Cerritos. Also on February 7, 14, 21 and 28. The public is invited to attend. Contact Soledad Almarinez at (562) 865-2922 for more information.
 - **The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- February 1 • **Planning Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Cheerful Chatters Toastmasters Club**, noon, SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, 3rd Floor, Cerritos. Visitors welcome. Also on February 8, 15 and 22. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
 - **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on February 18, 10 a.m. Contact Dorothy Owen at (562) 926-1092.
 - **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on February 8, 15 and 22. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
 - **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., Vintage Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on February 8, 15 and 22. Contact Pat Lozano or Nick Kim at (562) 281-7332.
- February 2 • **Parks and Recreation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd., Cerritos. Also on February 9 and 23. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
 - **Cerritos (Mid-City) Korean-American Senior Citizens Association**, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 9, 16 and 23. Contact John Hwang at (562) 419-5445.
 - **Happy Seniors of Cerritos Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 16. Contact Emma Chupinghong at (562) 400-1075.
 - **Fil-AM Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 16. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 879-9880.
 - **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 9, 16 and 23. Contact Chai Tsuan Liang at (562) 382-7769.
- February 3 • **Southern California Philippine U.S. Veterans Association**, 7:30 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Pedro Dionisio at (562) 881-3480.
- February 4 • **Festival of Friendship**, noon, Los Cerritos Center.
- February 6 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, Rosewood Family Restaurant, 10769 South Street, Cerritos. Also on February 20. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- February 7 • **Soulful Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Louida Shaw at (562) 412-7448.
- **ABC School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos. Also on February 17.
- February 8 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Also on February 22. Contact Pat Law at (562) 924-6222.
- **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Mike Van Scoy at (562) 926-4392.
- February 9 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Liberty Park. Contact Marilyn McGorman at (562) 860-8944 or Joanne Witt at (562) 860-2036.
 - **Da' Hawaii Senior Club**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 28, 6-9 p.m. Contact Carole Roxas at (562) 884-2890.
 - **Cerritos Senior Dance Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 23. Contact Lilian Leonardo Goings at (562) 882-6023.
- February 11 • **Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation** free tax preparation through Saturday, April 15, Norwalk Social Service Center, 11929 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk. To make an appointment, call (562) 929-5961.
- February 12 • **'Ahahui 'O Lili'uokalani Hawaiian Civic Club of Southern California**, 10 a.m., John Jensen residence. Contact John Jensen at (562) 926-2286 for more information.
- February 13 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 27. Contact Eileen Mills at (562) 828-8236.
- February 14 • **Economic Development Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos-Artesia Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1846**, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Park. Also on February 28. Contact Jeffrey Enomoto at (714) 292-2985.
 - **Cerritos Republican Club**, 7 p.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Becky Lingad at (562) 243-2135, or visit the website at cerritos-republican.org.
 - **Volunteer attorneys** provide free basic legal advice and referrals for Cerritos residents, 7-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 28. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- February 15 • **Veterans Workshop Seminars**, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, #392 (3rd Floor), Cerritos. Also on February 28 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, please call (562) 929-9107.
- February 16 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m., Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd., Downey. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
- February 18 • **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women** annual fund luncheon, 11 a.m., Carol and Bob Marsh residence. Contact Barbara Dunstan at (562) 404-4760.
- February 20 • **Presidents' Day**
- **City Hall, City Clerk's Office, Library, Senior Center and CCPA Ticket Office closed**
 - **Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club**, 7 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Contact Elaine Duvali at (562) 924-3583 or hhdemocrat@gmail.com.
- February 23 • **City Council meeting**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles**, 7 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Nimfa Castro at (562) 822-3633.

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Prevent theft of SUV third-row seats

If you own a sports utility vehicle (SUV), the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center recommends that you use some type of cable lock to secure your vehicle's third-row seats to help prevent them from being stolen. Cable locks can be purchased at hardware stores and through many online retailers, and are an inexpensive way to protect your property.

The theft of third-row seats from SUVs has increased significantly in Los Angeles and Orange counties. There were 392 vehicles burglarized in 2016, and third-row seats from SUVs were among some of the frequently stolen items.

For more vehicle burglary prevention tips, call the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266 or visit the Safer Cerritos website at safercerritos.com. ■

Free tax preparation offered for qualifying households

In 2017, the Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation is offering free tax preparation for taxpayers who meet the following qualifications for 2016: total income less than \$54,000; interest income less than \$10,000; fewer than five stock transactions; self-employment expenses less than \$5,000; and no rental income.

Tax preparation will be offered Saturday, February 11 through Saturday, April 15 at the Norwalk Social Service Center at 11929 Alondra Boulevard in Norwalk. Assistance is available for English, Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese speakers.

To make an appointment, call (562) 929-5961. ■

Free emergency response training offered

The Cerritos Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is offering disaster and emergency training in February.

On Friday, February 3, class will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. The class is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 4 and Sunday, February 5. Classes will meet in the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center at 18135 Bloomfield Avenue.

The CERT program is designed to help residents in the event of a disaster or other emergency. Participants receive training in first aid and basic disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, fire safety, and disaster and terrorism management. When emergencies occur, CERT members are able to provide critical support to first responders, give immediate assistance to victims and organize volunteers at a disaster site.

To register for the course or for more information, call the Community Safety office at (562) 916-1252 or email emerina@cerritos.us. ■

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