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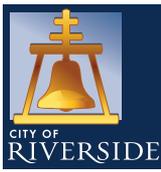
RIVERSIDE

Long Night of
Arts & Innovation

Building
Riverside Pride

Heritage House
125th Anniversary





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8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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Jim Perry	Ward 6
John Burnard	Ward 7

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John A. Russo

Parks, Recreation and Community Services
AQUATICS PROGRAMS

All pools open June 17 – August 24

The robust Riverside Aquatics Program features:

- **Pool Rentals** - At seven locations
- **Recreation Swim** - Day and night times available
- **Camps** – Splash Day Camp and Jr. Lifeguard Camp
- **Swim Lessons** – Adults and Youth



No matter your age, skill or location we have a program/activity for you!

For details, see **pages 30-33.**



In the Winter/Spring 2017 Explore Magazine, we incorrectly implied that **Pro-Fitness-4-Health** administers Physical Therapy where in fact, they practice **Exercise Therapy**. We apologize for the error.

COVER: Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Lifeguards at Sippy Woodhead Pool

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BUILDING RIVERSIDE PRIDE

ONE NEIGHBORHOOD AT A TIME

Love Riverside

Saturday, October 21, 2017

Love Riverside's vision is to inspire **generosity that brings love in action to Riverside**. This is done through assisting with community projects, sharing information about citywide happenings and participating in initiatives within our neighborhoods.



RIVERSIDE **small Sparks** Neighborhood Matching Grants Program

Residents within the City of Riverside have invested countless hours of time, services, materials, and money in various neighborhood improvement projects. The **Small Sparks Neighborhood Matching Grant Program** supports local grassroots projects within Riverside's neighborhoods by providing cash to match community contributions of volunteer labor, donated professional services, materials, or cash donations in support of neighborhood-based projects. Projects are funded up to **\$500 once a year** to neighborhood groups.

Below are types of projects that may qualify for a grant:

- **Neighborhood Improvement/ Beautification:** A project that creates or enhances a physical improvement in a neighborhood.
- **Neighborhood Social Enhancement:** A one-time grant for a community building activity such as a festival or celebration.

COMING SOON

NEIGHBORHOOD ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP SERIES

The **Office of Neighborhood Engagement** will be providing a series of workshops with topics including, but not limited to:

- Engaging the **Next Generation of Neighborhood Leaders**
- Writing Your **Neighborhood History**
- Matching Grants for **Neighborhood Projects**
- The Effects of Pet Waste on the **Environment**
- Emergency **Preparedness**
- Water Efficient **Landscaping and Water Quality**



OUR **Riverside** Neighborhoods

The Office of Neighborhood Engagement (ONE) is assisting neighborhood residents in **developing neighborhood strategies for each of Riverside's 26 neighborhoods**. This unique approach to community development through intensive collaboration between City staff, local leaders, and neighborhood residents will help facilitate connections that will allow neighbors to collaborate and complete projects within their communities.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
RiversideCA.gov/Neighborhoods
Neighbor@RiversideCA.gov • (951) 826-5168

WORKING TOGETHER TO PROVIDE

A SAFE & ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITY



The City of Riverside recognizes the vital importance of **preserving a high quality of life throughout the community** and has adopted local codes and ordinances that govern the proper use and maintenance of private properties. The department's goal is to foster a culture that is helpful, approachable, knowledgeable and of the highest integrity. Should you have any specific questions or concerns, please visit RiversideCA.gov/Code.

Typical concerns are oftentimes related to **environmental factors, property maintenance standards, public nuisances and zoning or land use violations.**

Common topics that can be reported to the 3-1-1 center or app include:



Trash/Debris on Private Property



Overgrown Weeds / Landscaping



Green Pools / Standing Water



Substandard Housing Conditions



Barking Dogs



Garage Sales



Questions About Parking



To report a problem or concern, call
(951) 826-5311

Or use the 311 mobile app



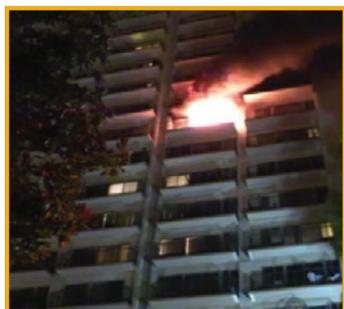
MT. RUBIDOUX MANOR HIGH-RISE FIRE

By: Battalion Chief Bruce Vanderhorst

On Thursday, December 8, 2016, the City of Riverside Fire Department responded to and extinguished a fire in a single apartment unit on the 10th floor. Mt. Rubidoux Manor is the city's second tallest high-rise building which is a senior citizen residential complex. This is the building's second major fire since 1993. The previous fire had one fatality. The most recent fire destroyed the entire 10th floor from the fire, heat, smoke and water damage. The fire injured two residents, but there were no firefighter injuries nor any fatalities. Property damage was estimated at \$1 million with \$16 million saved.



At 0020 hrs., on December 8, 2016, Riverside Safety Communication Center received a phone call from Troy Alarm Company for a box alarm at 3993 10th Street at the Mt. Rubidoux Manor. The first alarm assignment was dispatched at 0021 hrs. immediately after being notified by Troy Alarms. As dispatch was notifying units, numerous phone calls from residents at Mt. Rubidoux Manor reported a working fire on the 10th floor. Upon hearing the report of a confirmed working fire in the building, Battalion 1 immediately requested a second alarm.



Engine 4 was clearing Riverside Community Hospital after picking up a firefighter. They assigned themselves to the incident and arrived on scene

at 0023 hrs. Engine 4 reported a working fire on what appeared to be on the 7th and 8th floor of Mt. Rubidoux Manor. Command was established and the High-Rise SOP was initiated. After hearing Engine 4's report of conditions, Battalion 1 requested third and fourth alarms, two AMR ambulances, and incident notifications to all chief officers.

A total of 90 personnel from the City of Riverside Fire Department, Riverside Police Department, CAL-Fire, the City of Corona, and American Medical Response responded to the incident. There were 15 engine

companies, 3 truck companies, 2 squad companies, 2 battalion chiefs, 1 breathing support unit, 2 investigators, 2 division chiefs, and 7 AMR ambulances with 1 supervisor were involved with the emergency response.

Sixty City of Riverside Fire Department members from 19 companies and nearly all on-duty personnel were involved in firefighting effort. They mounted an offensive attack via two stairways. This operation involved many unusual challenges including 11 residents trapped on the 10th floor seeking refuge on their apartment balconies. This operation was successfully controlled by the interior suppression efforts.

High-rise fires present issues with water supply, large numbers of personnel needed, mutual aid, multiple rescues and the need to constantly monitor crew



members for exhaustion and heat stress. The Mt. Rubidoux incident presented all of these challenges and more, but the RFD responded admirably, mounting an aggressive interior attack that controlled the fire in under 20 minutes from dispatch, with only two civilian injuries and no firefighter injuries or fatalities.



To learn more about the Riverside Fire Department, visit RiversideCA.gov/Fire.



PATRICE SHEPHERD

GLASS BY PATRICE

Patrice Shepherd is a glass artist specializing in creating whimsical figurines that are nature-inspired. The small designs are made out of a hard, pyrex-type glass which makes them easy to wear and hard to break. By day she's a self-proclaimed computer nerd analyzing emergency medical data for Riverside County, but by night and on weekends, she gets creative making sculpted glass forms of flowers, trees, insects, and human organs. Her art is unique and often starts conversations, so we sat down with Patrice to find out how it all began.



How did you get into this hobby turned business?

I've always been interested in glass and

nature. About 12 years ago, I started making glass beads and then transitioned into making glass animals, flowers and other whimsical forms and shapes. After creating art for nearly 3 years, I decided it was good enough to start selling to customers. Today, I sell my work at art shows, farmers markets and online.

What do customers like about your craft?

I get a lot of requests for custom art. Riversiders often ask me to make them

something that reflects the Southern California lifestyle, so I've made citrus pieces, flowers native to our area and even quirky pieces like black widows. My style is fun and playful and my customers really like that.

Any milestones along the way?

I've been pretty fortunate over the last few years. I won first place in glass art at the Lake Arrowhead Wine and Art Festival. With modest artistic success, I believe in giving back to the community. I frequently donate glass art to UCR's Entomology Fair, local animal shelters, botanical gardens and other organizations that are doing fundraisers for a good cause.

What's the best part of being a glass artist?

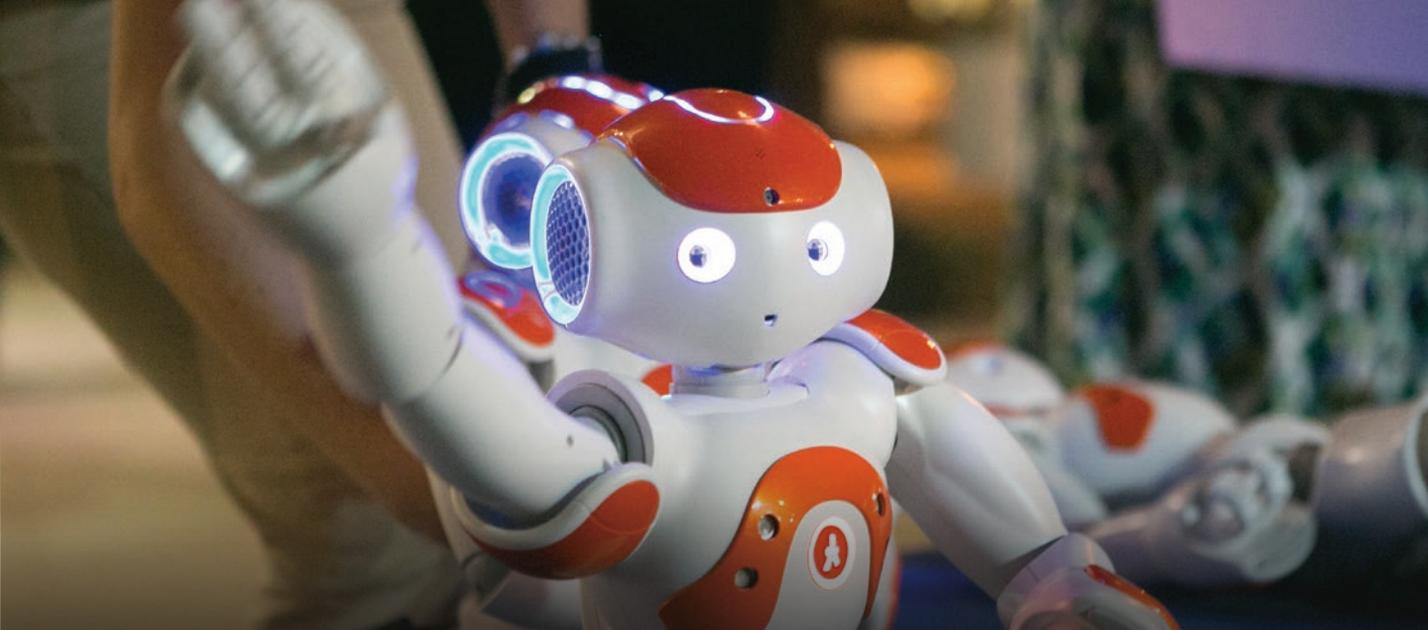
I make so many different, weird things like bacon and egg earrings or giraffe necklaces that it's really exciting when a customer sees something I've made and it turns out to be just the right gift they were looking for. I find that very fulfilling.

Where can people see your work?

I sell at the Friday Farmers Market in Riverside (by Sears), and online at GlassByPatrice.com.

CITY OF ARTS





LONG NIGHT OF ARTS & INNOVATION

OCTOBER 12, 2017 • 5PM - MIDNIGHT

INNOVATION
&

Mark your calendars! **The Long Night of Arts & Innovation** is back by popular demand, and scheduled to be held in **Downtown Riverside** on **Thursday, October 12, 2017 from 5 p.m. to midnight.**

This signature event of the City of Riverside is designed to showcase its best talent in the **visual and performing arts and science and technology** from four universities, community colleges, three school districts, and many innovative companies and arts organizations. It is also designed to encourage students to seek innovative careers in the arts and sciences by connecting them to professors, artists, professionals and performers from these institutions.



Inspired by the **Long Night of Science** at Riverside's **German sister city, Erlangen**, the 2013 inaugural

Long Night showcased over 900 presentations ranging from a Riverside County Philharmonic instrument, petting zoo and art demonstrations at the Riverside Art Museum to a robotics

display and a demonstration on Leonardo Da Vinci Machines.

Returning for the 2017 Long Night of Arts & Innovation are the **Artists Alley** and the **Sister City Village.**

The **Alley** will have twelve local artists, all working on a new piece right there on Main Street Riverside. The **Sister City Village** will have representation from every sister city of Riverside. In the village you can learn how to fold origami, learn about the fashion in Obasi and even learn how to Gangnam Style dance.



Admission is **FREE** and all events are open to the public. So, head on over to Downtown Riverside on **October 12** for an evening of discovery through the arts, music, dance, science and engineering.

For more information, visit **LongNightRiverside.com.**



Business Spotlight

Zacatecas Café

History: Zacatecas Café is a family-owned business serving Riverside for more than 53 years.

By the numbers: Seats over 200 and is open seven days a week.

In 2016, owners Jon and Vicky Medina moved the well-known Mexican restaurant to the corner of Iowa and University Avenue. We sat down with them to ask about their business.

After 53 years, what's the secret to success?

My parents had close connections with their customers and when you combine that with authentic cuisine, you make loyal customers. That's true for us today. My mom taught me how to cook when I was ten and I'm still using her recipes.

What do you love about the business?

Just like my parents, I love to cook and talk with our customers. I'm here seven days a week starting at 5 a.m. to get the pots going.

What are your most popular dishes?

Signature dishes include the Special Burrito, the Chicharrónes con Tomatillo, Chile Verde and Chile Colorado. But everything is good. We even have potato tacos for our vegetarian customers.

What are customers saying?

They love the new location. Besides the food, they comment on our large banquet room, which accommodates meetings, live entertainment and dancing.

Zacatecas Café

**3767 Iowa Ave.
Riverside, CA 92507
(951) 683-3939**

RIVERSIDE HAS NEW

QUIET ZONES



STAY SAFE! STAY ALERT!

Always look both ways before crossing tracks!

RiversideCA.gov/QuietZone



RIVERSIDE TV

For all things Riverside – check out RiversideTV!

Check out exciting things to do with friends and family in the City, current events, local sporting events, City news and so much more.

Three Great Ways to Watch



[YouTube.com /CityofRiverside](https://www.youtube.com/CityofRiverside)

Subscribe and be the **first to know** about the great things happening across the City!



WatchRiverside.com

Watch your favorite shows **24/7 online**.



Watch from the comfort of your home

AT&T: Channel 99
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Frontier: Channel 21

Interested in Seeing Something New?

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Show Us Why You Love Riverside! #ILoveRiverside



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Use the hashtag **#ILoveRiverside** and your image could be featured in the next ExploreRiverside magazine!

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RIVERSIDE: A CITY RICH IN HISTORY





HERITAGE HOUSE

125 YEARS OF HISTORY

8193 MAGNOLIA AVE., RIVERSIDE, CA 92504

This year we celebrate the **125th Anniversary of Riverside's Heritage House** located on historic Magnolia Avenue. This Victorian showplace, built in a Queen Anne style, depicts life in a turn-of-the century Riverside. An elegant reminder of the affluent homes which once graced the community, Heritage House was a private home for several decades until the Junior League of Riverside purchased the home in 1969 for preservation. Later, the Riverside Metropolitan Museum and the Museum Associates delightfully took over the preservation and care-taking of the house and grounds.



Originally built for Mrs. James Bettner, an orange grower, the house features richly detailed original woodwork, running water and a hot water system (which was rare for the time period), a carriage house and gardens.

The House is open for tours **Friday – Sunday 11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.**, with the last tour starting at 3:15 p.m. Special events at the House have included an **Ice Cream Social, Chinese Moon Festival and a Victorian Christmas Open House.**

For more information and upcoming events, visit RiversideCA.gov/Museum.

MAKE YOUR
DREAM HOME

A REALITY!



City of Riverside Down Payment Assistance Program

Mortgage Assistance is currently available to income-eligible, first-time homebuyers looking to purchase a home in the City of Riverside. Deferred loans of up to \$50,000 can be obtained to help homebuyers with down payment assistance, with no payments required for 30 years. The loans are now interest-free and are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Buyers are only required to contribute 1% of the purchase price and must occupy the home as their primary residence.

If you are interested in the Down Payment Assistance Program, please contact the **Community and Economic Development Department** at (951) 826-2279 or go to RiversideCA.gov/Housing/DownPaymentAssistance to find one of our Preferred Lenders for pre-qualification.

Riverside Housing Rehabilitation Program

The City's Housing Rehabilitation Program helps low-income homeowners in the City of Riverside correct health and safety hazards, code violations and provide for general improvements. Grants in the amount of \$5,000-\$8,000 are available to homeowners, including specific grants for seniors, persons with disabilities or seniors living in mobile homes. In addition, interest-free loans of up to \$50,000 are also available and may be deferred for 30 years.

If you are interested in applying or have any questions, please contact the **Riverside Housing Development Corporation** at (951) 341-6511.



MAY

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Arts Walk

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737

5 & 6

Show and Go Car Show

Downtown Riverside
6 – 10 p.m. (May 5)
7 a.m. – 7 p.m. (May 6)
ShowAndGo.org



Todrick Hall Presents:

Straight Outta Oz

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

6

Nature Hike

Ameal Moore Nature Center
9 – 10 a.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

7

First Sundays

Riverside Metropolitan Museum
1 – 4 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

10

PJ Harvey

Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

11

Lewis Black – The Rant, White & Blue Tour

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

Doors Open Riverside

Downtown Riverside
6 p.m.
DoorsOpenRiverside.com



Doors Open
RIVERSIDE

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Downtown Farmers Market

Main St. between 5th and 6th
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

Second Saturdays

Ameal Moore Nature Center
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

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La Doble Moral El Musical

Fox Performing Arts Center
4 & 8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

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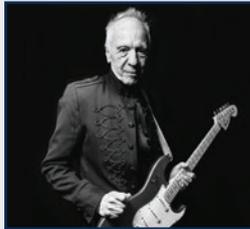
Discovery Days

Riverside Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

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Robin Trower

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



20

Summer Camp Attack

Hunt Park
9 a.m. – noon
RivReg.org

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Arlington Chili Cook-Off

9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
RiversideABP.com

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David Blaine Live

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



JUNE

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Arts Walk

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737

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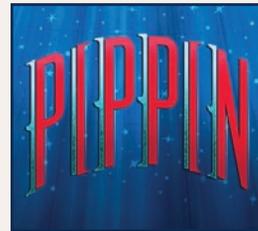
Downtown Farmers Market

Main St. between 5th and 6th
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

3 & 4

Pippin

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m. (June 3) & 2 p.m. (June 4)
RiversideLive.com



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Second Saturdays

Ameal Moore Nature Center
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
(951) 682-6737

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Culture Quest

Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

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Julianne & Derek Hough: Move Beyond Tour

Fox Performing Arts Center
4 & 8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

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Concerts at City Hall

City Hall Clock Tower
Noon – 1 p.m.
RiversideDowntown.org

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Discovery Days

Riverside Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

16 – 25

Riverside Restaurant Week

Find participating restaurants at DineRiverside.com



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24th Annual Ice Cream Social

Heritage House
Noon – 4 p.m.
(951) 826-5273

27

Concerts at City Hall

City Hall Clock Tower
Noon – 1 p.m.
RiversideDowntown.org

JULY

4

Front Row Fireworks

Evergreen Memorial Historic Cemetery
5 – 9:30 p.m.

Concerts at City Hall

City Hall Clock Tower
Noon – 1 p.m.
RiversideDowntown.org

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Arts Walk

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737



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Second Saturdays

Ameal Moore Nature Center
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

11

Concerts at City Hall

City Hall Clock Tower
Noon – 1 p.m.
RiversideDowntown.org

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Culture Quest

Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

18

Concerts at City Hall

Clock Tower City Hall
Noon – 1 p.m.
RiversideDowntown.org

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Discovery Days

Riverside Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

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Downtown Farmers Market

Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

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Concerts at City Hall

City Hall Clock Tower
Noon – 1 p.m.
RiversideDowntown.org

AUGUST

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National Night Out

Events all around Riverside
5:30 – 8 p.m.
RPDonline.org



3

Arts Walk

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737

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Downtown Farmers Market

Main St. between 5th and 6th
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408



9

Culture Quest

Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Riversideca.gov/Museum

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Bring It! LIVE

Fox Performing Arts Center
3 & 8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



16

Discovery Days

Riverside Metropolitan Museum
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
(951) 826-5273

19

Free Shredding Event

Corporate Yard
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/PublicWorks

26

Downtown Farmers Market

Main St. between 5th and 6th
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408



To see more events and detailed information, or to submit your event to the calendar, visit RiversideCA.gov/calendar

Dates and times are subject to change.