The Best Things To Do In LA And SoCal This Week: April 11 - 14

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The Skirball Cultural Center opens an exhibition focusing on the Jewish deli.
(Christine N. Ziemba)

View a new exhibition dedicated to the Jewish deli. Watch a ballet performance set to the music of David Bowie. Listen to a night of risky tales. Meet Board of Supervisors candidates.
Monday, April 11: 8:30 p.m.

Atsuko & Friends

Largo at the Coronet

366 N. La Cienega Blvd., Beverly Grove

Join comedian Atsuko Okatsuka as she brings along friends Pandora Boxx, Beth Stelling, and two secret guests.

COST: $35; MORE INFO
Meet the Candidates - A Virtual Event Series

L.A. Mayor
Live-streamed, in conversation with KPCC host Austin Cross

Mike Feuer  Joe Buscaino  Kevin de León  Karen Bass

L.A. County Supervisor (District 3)
Live-streamed, in conversation with KCRW host Steve Chiotakis

Henry Stern  Lindsey Horvath  Bob Hertzberg

'Meet the Candidates' is a virtual event series from KPCC/LAist and KCRW that introduces voters to some of the candidates running for office in L.A. city and county.

(KPCC/LAist)

Monday, April 11 - Thursday, April 14: 6 p.m.

Meet the Candidates
Virtual
KPCC/LAist and KCRW host a series of one-on-one interviews with the candidates for Los Angeles County Supervisor for District 3. KCRW host Steve Chiotakis will ask candidate Henry Stern questions that matter most to voters on Monday, April 11. On Tuesday, April 12, he’ll interview Lindsey Horvath, followed by Bob Hertzberg on Thursday, April 14.

COST: FREE with RSVP; MORE INFO
Tuesday, April 12: 7 p.m.

RISK! with David Crabb

Hotel Cafe
1623 N. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood

Join host David Crabb and storytellers, Jen Bosworth-Ramirez, Peter Kim, Jonathan Bradley Welch, and Margot Leitman. They'll tell incredible true tales that they never thought they'd share in public. Livestream tickets are also available.

COST: $15 - $20; MORE INFO
Tuesday, April 12 - Wednesday, April 13

*Sons of Mezcal* Screening
Madre
801 N. Fairfax Ave., Beverly Grove
Watch a documentary that serves as an ode to the agave spirit, following four families as they pass along traditions to the next generations. Guests can add a three-course dinner, mezcal tastings, and director Q&A with Stephan Werk.

**Wednesday, April 13: 7 p.m.**

The Sounds of East L.A. and the Chicano Movement
Grammy Museum
888 S. Figueroa St., downtown L.A.
The museum, in conjunction with the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center, presents a discussion on the history of the Chicano Movement as it relates to the current exhibition *Songs of Conscience, Sounds of Freedom.* Panelists include musicians Mark Guerrero and Little Willie, UCLA’s Dr. Veronica Terríquez, and moderator Dr. Melissa Hidalgo.
Carl Bernstein with Josh Singer
Audrey Irmas Pavilion at Wilshire Boulevard Temple
3643 Wilshire Blvd., Koreatown

Listen to the journalist and the Pulitzer Prize-winning co-author of All the President’s Men discuss his career and new memoir, Chasing History: A Kid in the Newsroom. Oscar-winning screenwriter Josh Singer (Spotlight) moderates the conversation. All tickets include access to watch a virtual recording. Option for virtual event-only ticket with signed book is also available.

COST: $20 (GA), $48 (GA and signed book); MORE INFO

Wednesday, April 13: 6:30 p.m.

Camp Kim Pop-up Event
The Millwick
800 E. 4th Pl., downtown L.A.

Ahead of Coachella, the Kim Crawford wines holds an inaugural popup event series in partnership with Refinery 29 and Black Girl Ventures. The night mixes happy hour, summer camp, and wellness retreat. It features art, interactive stations, DJs, and photo moments — with wine and wine cocktails.

COST: FREE with RSVP; MORE INFO
Wednesday, April 13: 8:30 p.m.

James Bay
Hotel Cafe
1623 N. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood
British singer-songwriter James Bay plays an intimate show in support of his third studio album, Give Me The Reason. The venue is 21+.
COST: $35; MORE INFO

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Broadway star David Burnham returns in two weeks! Join us for a celebration of one of the most iconic performers of the past five decades—the legendary Tom Jones—on Wed/Thu Apr 13-14 at 7pm.
Don't miss this red-hot performance of Tom Jones’s chart-toppers in our last Cabaret show of the season!
@daveyburnham #davidburnham #tomjones
Thursday, April 14: 7 p.m.

Jonathan Van Ness
Colburn School, Zipper Hall
200 S. Grand Ave., downtown L.A.

Book Soup hosts a talk with hairstylist, performer, and TV personality JVN about his essay collection of timely topics, *Love That Story: Observations from a Gorgeously Queer Life*. Tickets include one entry and one hardcover copy of the book, along with a signed bookplate, which will be handed out at check-in. (See MORE INFO.)
Thursday, April 14 - Sunday, Sept. 4

“Someone’s Having What She’s Having”: The Jewish Deli
Skirball Cultural Center
2701 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Brentwood

This exhibition is a tasty look into American Jewish culture and immigration history. In addition to showing how the Jewish deli combined Central and Eastern European dishes with easy-to-procure ingredients in America, the exhibition also traces a larger part of the Jewish experience in the 20th century through neon signs, menus, advertisements, fixtures, historical footage, film and television clips, and artifacts.

COST: $13 – $18; MORE INFO

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WE’LL BE PERFORMING LIVE SCIENCE SKETCH COMEDY WITH DR. SHANA GOFFREDI!
LEARN ABOUT DEEP SEA ALIENS :O!

NEXT THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH 8:00PM

Big brain PhD

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Early bird tickets are 50% off to Science Night Live! April 14th 8PM at @packtheater. Deep sea aliens science lecture, improv with @bmcimprov, sketch from @tvunscripted, and real scientist Dr. Goffredi in her first ever comedy performance! Come check it out <3

Www.our.show/SNL

Thanks to @marcargo7 for the connection :). @science_night_live @occidentalcollege

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Thursday, April 14; 8 p.m.

Science Night Live!
Pack Theater
6470 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood
This new comedy show combines laughs with learning about science. This week’s lineup — the BIPOC improv team Bernie Mac & Cheese of Westside Comedy and marine microbiologist Dr. Shana Goffredi — will focus on deep sea aliens and biodiversity.
COST: $7.50 - $50; MORE INFO

Thursday, April 14 - Saturday, April 16: 7:30 p.m.

Complexion Contemporary Ballet
Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts
9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood
The New York City-based company performs two works by co-founder and co-artistic director Dwight Rhoden. Watch the West Coast premiere of Snatched Back From the Edges, set to a soundscape of music by Beethoven, Jon Batiste, Shirley Caesar, Tye Tribbett, Jessye Norman, Le’Andria Johnson, and Aloe Blacc. You can also see StarDust, a dance tribute to the life and music of David Bowie.
COST: $39 – $99; MORE INFO

Thursday, April 14: 7:30 p.m.

Reopening Party and Screening
Hollywood Heritage Museum
2100 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood
The museum reopens and resumes screenings of old films, beginning with the original print of the 1938 Laurel and Hardy classic Block-Heads, as well as a few shorts.
COST: $0; MORE INFO
**Viewing Pick**

_SideShow Cinematheque Film Screening Series_

This mini-movie theater is located inside SideShow Books in the Pico-Robertson neighborhood, screening experimental, contemporary, and independent films. Curated by Eden Bartok, the _SideShow Cinematheque_ offers double features Wednesday through Sunday weekly for the next three months. Titles include _Tarnation, Mala Noche, Elephant,_ and _Los Ojos de Mi Madre_. Reservations are mandatory, because the screening room holds two people max. Suggested donation: $10 – $15; snacks and beverages are also available on a donation basis.

CPK serves up Dodger dog pizza for one night in L.A. at Boomtown Brewery.
(Courtesy of CPK)
Dine and Drink Deals

Check out the 411 on restaurant, bar, and food happenings in SoCal this week:

- On Wednesday, April 13 at 6 p.m., The Bamboo Club in Long Beach holds its monthly educational Rum Supper Club, spotlighting this month’s distiller: Venezuela’s Diplomatico rum. Learn about the rum while indulging in a four-course dinner and rum-line tasting. **Tickets: $75.**

- For the Dodgers’ first home game of the season, California Pizza Kitchen launches its Dodger Dog Pizza, available only on Thursday, April 14 at the CPK food truck parked at the Boomtown Brewery in downtown L.A. The pizza features mozzarella, pepperoni, Dodger Dogs, arugula, red onion, and avocado topped with — of course — yellow mustard, sweet relish, and fried serrano. Available at 5 p.m. until supplies last.

- In honor of Earth Day, the Latin fusion restaurant *Raya* in the Ritz Carlton, Dana Point has launched *Vivas Abejas* / Long Live the Bees, a special menu that honors the bees and their immense impact on the food system. From now through April 24, taste plant-based dishes such as farro-coconut risotto and avocado panna cotta, along with bee-centric Patrón cocktails.

- Get ready for the cafecitos and cheese rolls, Northridge — *Porto’s* opens its newest bakery on Tuesday, April 12 at 19467 Nordhoff St.

- If you’re heading to Coachella, the food and drink lineup is looking as epic as the music. L.A. faves like Gigiata, Prince St. Pizza, Xiao Chi Jie, Monty’s Good Burger, Hawklin’s House of Burgers, Salt & Straw, Bridgetown Roti (Weekend 2), and Post & Beam (Weekend 1) head to the Polo Fields. For more extravagant dinners, *Outstanding in the Field* sit-down dinner runs $275, while a new *Sushi Speakeasy* runs $375.