

9. Upcoming Events.

Recommended Action: Receive and File.



City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701
Staff Report
September 16, 2024

TOPIC: City Special Events for Fall 2024

TITLE

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RECOMMENDED ACTION

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DISCUSSION

The City of Santa Ana offers a variety of fall events and activities for all ages. There are special events like Fiestas Patrias, International Older Adults Celebration, and Mid-Autumn Festival. The city also provides aquatics programs, youth and teen activities, library services, senior services, and community events. The Santa Ana Zoo offers free admission to residents on the third Sunday of each month. More details can be found on the City's website: <https://www.santa-ana.org/>. Below is additional information for each activity or event.

- **September 14 and 15 – Fiestas Patrias** - Celebrate our local Hispanic and Latino communities at Santa Ana's very own Fiestas Patrias! Open to all, the free weekend-long festivities include a parade and street fair, live music, carnival rides and more – all commemorating Mexican independence and celebrating the various Latin American communities that reside throughout Orange County.
<https://www.santa-ana.org/fiestas-patrias/>
- **September 20, 21 and 22 - Fascination of Orchids Festival (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.)** - Enjoy the sights and fragrances of thousands of exotic orchids from Californian, Asian, and South American growers. Learn orchid tips and techniques from local growers at free classes. General public – festival is included in price of zoo ticket.
<https://www.santaanazoo.org/fascination-of-orchids-festival/>
- **September 27 – International Older Adults Celebration (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.)** - The Parks and Recreation Senior Services section invites the older adult community to come together and join us for our second annual International Older Adults Celebration! This free event will take place at Jerome Park and will be open to everyone ages 55+. We look forward to celebrating with you all.
<https://www.santa-ana.org/international-older-adults-celebration/>

- **October 5 – Mid-Autumn Festival (4 – 8 p.m.)** - Join us for our third annual Santa Ana Mid-Autumn Festival. Also known as the Moon Festival, this event highlights Asian cultures and the Vietnamese members of our community. Traditionally this festival is meant to be a celebration of the fall harvest and full moon, a time when families get together to enjoy each other's company and the bountiful harvests after a year of labor and care. The event is free and family-friendly. <https://www.santa-ana.org/mid-autumn-festival/>
- **October 13 - Fiesta del Mariachi (9 a.m. - 10 p.m.)** - Join us for a spectacular Youth Showcase at the 2024 Fiesta Del Mariachi, presented by Power of One Foundation, ALR Productions, the City of Santa Ana, and the Santa Ana Unified School District. This special event is dedicated to the rising stars of mariachi music, providing a platform for young, talented musicians to shine alongside some of the world's best mariachi groups. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fiesta-del-mariachi-showcase-tickets-928333248737?aff=oddtcreator>
- **October 19, 20, 26 and 27 - Boo at the Zoo (5:30 – 7:30 p.m.)** – Halloween Family Festival at the Zoo <https://www.santaanazoo.org/boo-at-the-zoo/>

For more details, visit <https://www.santa-ana.org/city-events/>.

EXHIBIT(S)

1. Presentation

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