

# **Rancho Los Alamitos Historic Ranch and Gardens**

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## For Immediate Release

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### **Construction Delays at Rancho Los Alamitos Cause Cancellation of June 26 Midsummer Festival Program**

Long Beach, CA -- Due to delays in the reconstruction of the parking lot at the Rancho, the Midsummer Festival program scheduled for June 26th must be cancelled since access to the lot is not available. The parking lot will serve the new Education Center which is currently under construction and will open in 2012 with a whole array of exciting programs and events.

Although the Rancho will be closed to the public until July 6, 2011, there still will be a free lecture and discussion "A Gathering at Povuu'ngna" with noted California Indian historian George Harwood Phillips from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on June 19. Free parking is available at California State University, Long Beach at Lot 11, with shuttles going to the rancho. Reservations are required and may be made by calling the Rancho at (562) 431-3541.

This summer's Children's Story Times in the Gardens at Rancho Los Alamitos will be held on July 6, July 8, July 13 and July 15 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Children ages 4 through 9 years are invited as Master Storyteller, David Lewis, brings celestial lore to life with stories of "Time, Seasons, and Cycles" and children will participate in learning activities including creation of tasty seasonal treats to share.

Children attending Story Times in the Gardens must be accompanied by an adult. The price of general admission is \$8.00 per session. Admission for the children and grandchildren of individuals who are members of Rancho Los Alamitos is \$6.00 per session. There is no fee for the adults who are accompanying children. For more information and to make reservations, please visit the Rancho's website at [www.rancholosalamitos.org](http://www.rancholosalamitos.org) or call the Rancho at (562) 431-3541.

Please look for our Annual Children's Fall Harvest Festival on Sunday, October 30, 2011.

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A visit to the Rancho is a retreat from the bustle of the surrounding city. On Wednesday, July 6, after an unavoidable closure for construction, the Rancho will reopen for tours Wednesday through Sunday from 1-5 p.m. School tours and Children's Native American Cultural Workshops are scheduled weekday mornings. Admission is free and free parking is available on site. Enter though Bixby Hill residential security gate at Anaheim and Palo Verde.

Rancho Los Alamitos is owned by the City of Long Beach and operated by Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation as a public/private cooperative venture under the auspices of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. For information about the site, tours, or special events and programs, please call (562) 431-3541 or visit the Rancho's website at [www.rancholosalamitos.org](http://www.rancholosalamitos.org).

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