

Rancho Los Alamitos Historic Ranch and Gardens

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GARDEN, GOURMET AND GALLERY
THE RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS 2010 GARDEN SERIES
THE GARDENS OF BRÉCY: A LASTING LANDSCAPE
GARDEN TEA AND LECTURE
MAY 2, 2010
1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

LONG BEACH, CA -- Rancho Los Alamitos Historic Ranch and Gardens (RLA) brings together the pleasures of the garden, the essence of the palate, and the art of the landscape with its 2010 Garden Series.

On Sunday, May 2, 2010 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., the garden series will resume with a garden tea and lecture by Dr. Eric Haskell. Haskell, author of The Gardens of Brécy: A Lasting Landscape will present a slide-illustrated journey of the magnificence of Brécy. Landscaping aesthetics and European garden history will also be discussed. A traditional sweet and savory tea will be served in the garden following the presentation.

Haskell is Professor of French Studies and Humanities at Scripps College and Director of the Clark Humanities Museum. He has a Ph.D. in French literature and studied art history and architecture at the Ecole du Louvre in Paris.

When Pamela Seager, executive director of Rancho Los Alamitos, was asked about Haskell, she said, “Eric Haskell is a former Trustee of Rancho Los Alamitos Foundation and is an energetic and enormously engaging speaker. He has given presentations throughout the United States and Europe and a chance to hear Eric is a chance to spend some delightful and informative time thinking about gardens, style and the nature of landscape and life. Truly not to be missed! **And**, there is tea in the garden afterward.”

Advance reservations are required for the Garden Tea and Lecture with an admission price of \$55.00 per person (RLA Members \$45.00).

To reserve seating or to receive information or directions to the Rancho, visit our website at www.rancholosalamitos.com or call (562) 431-3541.

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. The site is open for tours Wednesday through Sunday from 1-5 p.m. and school tours are scheduled weekday mornings. Admission is free and parking is normally available on site. Enter though Bixby Hill residential security gate at Anaheim and Palo Verde. For information about the site, tours, or special events and programs, go to www.rancholosalamitos.com.

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