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## MISSION VIEJO ALSO SELECTED BY AUSTRALIA, FRANCE FOR 2028 PRE-GAMES DIVING TRAINING

Divers from Australia and France will join delegations from the Netherlands and Team USA to conduct their 2028 Pre-Games Training in the City of Mission Viejo as announced today by the Mission Viejo Nadadores Foundation (MVNF).

Nadadores Diving also announced that several of the teams training in 2028 will also conduct training camps in 2026 and 2027.

"One of the best investments our City made decades ago was building a world-class diving facility," said Mission Viejo Mayor Robert Ruesch. "We are so excited to have Dutch, Aussie, French and American divers call Mission Viejo their home away from home in 2028."

As a host city of the bike races in the 1984 LA Olympics to its participation in LA 2028, Mission Viejo and its residents already embrace the excitement of being a part of Olympic competition. The City symbolizes this spirit with an Olympic torch prominently placed on the City seal as well as offering several top-rated facilities. In addition to elevating Mission Viejo on the world's stage, having these athletes from across the globe and Team USA train in Mission Viejo will further enhance the local economy as the



athletes and families utilize City hotels, restaurants, stores and more while here. "What an honor it will be for us to host four of the top diving nations in the world prior to the Los Angeles 2028 Games," said Dr. Michele Mitchell, Executive Director of the Mission Viejo Nadadores who earned her first Olympic medal in Los Angeles at the 1984 LA Games. "The Dr. Ron O'Brien Dive Well will certainly be the hotbed of LA28 pre-games

training." Adrian Hinchliffe, Head Coach & Program Director of Diving Australia, agrees and shares the collective excitement. "Mission Viejo has world-class facilities providing the perfect environment for our Australian divers to simulate to the LA28 outdoor diving venue prior to the main event and we are already planning our first training camp for 2026 to commence

the preparations," Hinchliffe said. "We have developed a wonderful connection with the Mission Viejo Diving community, and it feels like a 'home away from home' for us and we hope that basing ourselves here will not only support our team leading into LA28 but also cement an ongoing connection with Mission Viejo Diving beyond the games." For more information, contact [diveoffice@mvnadadores.org](mailto:diveoffice@mvnadadores.org).

# IN CELEBRATION OF THE 2025-26 DANCE SEASON SEGERSTROM CENTER FOR THE ARTS UNVEILS KARON DAVIS'S SCULPTURE CURTAIN CALL

Seegerstrom Center for the Arts is proud to welcome Curtain Call, a yearlong installation of a major sculpture by acclaimed artist Karon Davis, on loan to the Center from Salon94, beginning Fall 2025. Known for her hauntingly beautiful life-sized plaster figures, Davis's work captures the fragility, resilience and struggle of the ballerina body. Davis's work will serve as a striking tribute to the dancers who grace the Center's stages and themes that resonate deeply with the art of dance.

The installation arrives at a pivotal moment, commemorating the Center's 2025-26 Dance Season and honoring the legacy of Henry Seegerstrom, whose vision was to make world-class art, both visual and performing, accessible to the Orange County community. By bringing Davis's sculpture to its campus, the Center continues this tradition, transforming its grounds into a dynamic hub where performance and public art converge.

The sculpture will be on view to all patrons throughout the 2025-26 season, offering visitors a unique opportunity to experience Davis's work in dialogue with the world-class performances presented at Seegerstrom Hall. The sculpture's presence will serve as both a visual echo of the dancers on stage and a public artwork accessible to all patrons. It embodies the Center's mission to be more than a performance venue, but rather a place where art in all its forms can be experienced, shared, and celebrated.

By bringing this celebrated installation to Southern California, the Center reaffirms its commitment to

presenting world-class artistry while creating spaces that inspire connection, creativity, and community long after the curtain falls.

For more information, please visit [scfta.org](http://scfta.org)

About Curtain Call

Curtain Call is a monumental bronze portrait nearly 6 1/2 feet tall of a ballerina taking her final bow after a performance. The work is part of Davis' series, Beauty Must Suffer, which examines the life and labor of Black dancers in their pursuit of a perfect form within the historically European tradition of ballet. The series debuted at Salon 94 in Fall 2023 and featured a life-size plaster version of the same name.

Using a combination of 3D scanning technology and traditional sculpting techniques, the bronze figure was derived from Davis' plaster cast of Miami City Ballet's Jasmine Perry. Kneeling forward, she clutches a bouquet of roses, a traditional gift of appreciation given by admiring fans of the ballet.

About the Artist

Karon Davis (b. 1977, Reno, Nevada) creates sculptures and multimedia installations using materials as varied as plaster strips, chicken wire, glass, and readymade objects. Drawing on her background in theater and film, Davis creates haunting tableaux inhabited by protagonists both historical and imagined. The figures are created using the artist's unique plaster method, amalgamations of life-size casts taken from friends and family as well as her own body. The material reflects her longtime interest in ancient Egyptian mummification practices, using wrapping



to memorialize different bodies and their complex histories.

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# 5 TIPS TO SCORE BIG IN YOUR FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE THIS SEASON



More than 57 million people will play fantasy sports this year, according to the Fantasy Sports Trade Association (FSTA). With fantasy football season underway, you need to make sure your game face is on and your line-up is set. If you have a team this season, or this is your first year playing, here are some tips for scoring a successful season:

**1. Don't receive an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty.** Whether you're playing in a formalized league or one the office football aficionado threw together, it's important to know and follow the rules of your league. Just like the real

deal, fantasy football has rules and regulations. Run afoul of those rules in a formalized league and you might be invited to leave, or at the very least, not come back next year. Mess up in the office and you'll have to hear about it until you retire. Realize people will play with varying levels of commitment and proficiency, but everyone wants to have fun - and rules help make that possible.

**2. Avoid fumbling your lineup.** Once you have your lineup locked in for draft day, your player knowledge doesn't stop there. Devote time each week to research your player's strengths and

weaknesses. You can rank players on many criteria, from last year's performance to expert predictions of this year's performance. Researching can help you get your best lineup each week to crush the competition. Whether you're playing to win or just for fun, some preparation can help ensure you put together your dream team.

**3. Score savings with an audible.** More than a third of fantasy sports players primarily use their phones to track scores, follow teams, make lineup changes and communicate with others about their fantasy sport, according to the FTSA. That's a lot of phone usage on-the-go that can potentially cause high overage charges. Switching to a more affordable plan can make your fantasy football season more cost efficient. Just in time for kick-off, Straight Talk Wireless is launching Straight Talk Plus(TM), giving customers even more options to save on their wireless service. Available exclusively at Walmart, Straight Talk Plus lets you get the latest smart phones like the Samsung Galaxy S7 for just about \$1 a day. Just add our unlimited service plan with 5GB of high speed data (then 2G speeds) starting at just \$45 per month to make sure you're covered for all of those game-day lineup changes. Best of all, there is no contract on your smartphone

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**4. Tackle Traditions.** Every fantasy football league is different. It's much more than just strictly about winning. This is a game that brings friends, roommates and colleagues together to participate alongside their favorite players each week. With this, the collective personalities and traditions between leagues can vary. Whether you're new to the league or the reigning champ, make sure you double check the scoring system and are aware of your league's traditions.

**5. Get caught up with sideline streaming.** Remember, one does not simply pick a team and then stop paying attention. In fact, keeping track of how players on your team are performing in real life is what makes fantasy football exciting. Not everyone has time to watch every game their players are in, or even just the highlights. Consider downloading a fantasy football app for your smartphone to stream games, keep track of stats, scores, injuries and more. Straight Talk Wireless will help you have your data streaming needs covered.

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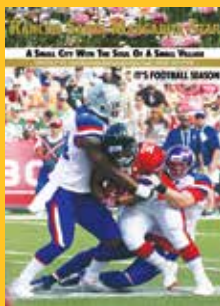
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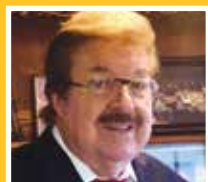
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## TOP HONEYMOON DESTINATIONS AROUND THE WORLD



After all the planning and stress of a wedding, many newlyweds look forward to celebrating their union by taking the trip of a lifetime. With the honeymoon destination options nearly unlimited, however, choosing where to go on your post-wedding getaway can be more stressful than proposing or choosing the right venue to say "I do."

To help newlyweds make the most of their first trip as a married couple, consider this guide to some of the most lavish honeymoon destinations across the globe.

### Explore the Romance of the Maldives

Known for its stunning white sand beaches, crystal clear turquoise waters and luxurious resorts, the Maldives is a tropical paradise located in the Indian Ocean. A perfect destination for couples looking for a romantic, lavish honeymoon experience, the Maldives offers a range of romantic activities for couples including sunset cruises, candlelit dinners on the beach, spa treatments and luxurious accommodations in private villas built on stilts above the ocean with direct access to breathtaking views, snorkeling and diving.

### Adventure and Opulence in South Africa

From thrilling safaris to world-class vineyards, South Africa offers a variety

of experiences for couples looking for a unique honeymoon experience. On safari, you can spot lions, elephants, buffalo, leopards and rhinos in their natural habitats and witness the beauty of African wildlife up close and personal. After an exhilarating adventure, you can unwind at one of the luxurious lodges or tented camps before visiting the picturesque vineyards of the Cape Winelands, where you can enjoy some of the finest wines and gourmet dining in the world.

### Cultural Riches and Exquisite Comforts in Italy

Rich in culture, history and exquisite comforts, Italy is a perfect honeymoon destination for couples who want to combine luxury and exploration. From the rolling hills of Tuscany – where you can indulge in wine tasting, visit medieval towns or take a cooking class to learn how to make authentic Italian dishes – to the picturesque Amalfi Coast, with its colorful cliffside villages, crystal clear waters and luxurious resorts, the country offers a diverse range of experiences. Plus, visiting iconic landmarks such as the Colosseum, Vatican City and the Grand Canal allows couples to immerse themselves in the rich history and art of the charming cities of Rome, Florence and Venice.

### Indulge in French Polynesia

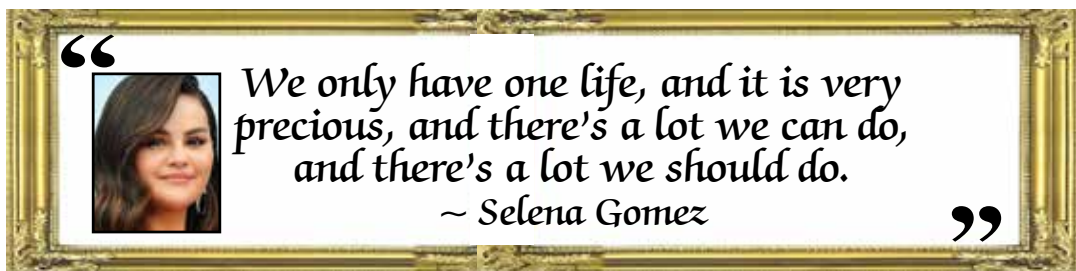
A tropical paradise made up of 118 islands and atolls, French Polynesia is known for its overwater bungalows and azure waters. These luxurious accommodations are built on stilts above the lagoon, offering direct access to the crystal-clear waters. With the South Pacific's vibrant marine life and coral reefs, you can go on a snorkeling or diving adventure to explore the underwater world or take a boat or kayak tour to discover hidden lagoons and remote islands.

### Private Island Seclusion in the Caribbean

If you seek ultimate seclusion and relaxation, the pristine beaches, turquoise waters and luxurious resorts of the Caribbean make for a romantic and intimate honeymoon experience. One of the highlights of the Caribbean is the privacy and exclusivity of staying on a private island. In addition to the private accommodations, couples can go snorkeling or diving to explore the vibrant coral reefs, take a sunset cruise or indulge in delicious Caribbean cuisine.

Find more guidance to make your honeymoon a once-in-a-lifetime experience at [eLivingtoday.com](http://eLivingtoday.com).

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
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# HOW DR. TODD PLOCHER'S PAIN TRANSFORMED HIS PURPOSE, AND WHY HE NOW SWEARS BY X39 STEM CELL PATCHES

After more than three decades of serving patients as a respected dentist, Dr. Todd Plocher was forced to face something he had always helped others avoid: chronic pain.

Years of leaning over dental chairs, using fine motor skills hour after hour, had taken a toll. His back pain, once manageable, became constant. "There were days I questioned if I could keep doing what I loved," Dr. Plocher recalls. "It wasn't just discomfort—it was beginning to take my life away from me."

But rather than accept a future of medications or invasive surgery, Dr. Plocher did something unexpected. He looked beyond the boundaries of conventional medicine and into the world of natural healing—something he'd once considered "outside the box."

That's when he discovered X39 patches, a breakthrough in stem cell reactivation technology developed by LifeWave. These non-invasive, wearable patches use phototherapy—light reflecting off the skin—to stimulate the body's natural production of stem cells, the

critical building blocks for healing, regeneration, and repair.

"I was skeptical at first," he admits. "But after just a few weeks, I felt a difference—not just in my back, but in my energy, my sleep, even my mood. It wasn't just pain relief. It was restoration."

Now retired from full-time dentistry, Dr. Plocher has made it his mission to share what helped him heal. He's become an advocate for holistic wellness, coaching others on how to activate their body's natural repair systems—without drugs or invasive procedures.

For Dr. Plocher, the X39 patch wasn't just a tool—it was a turning point.

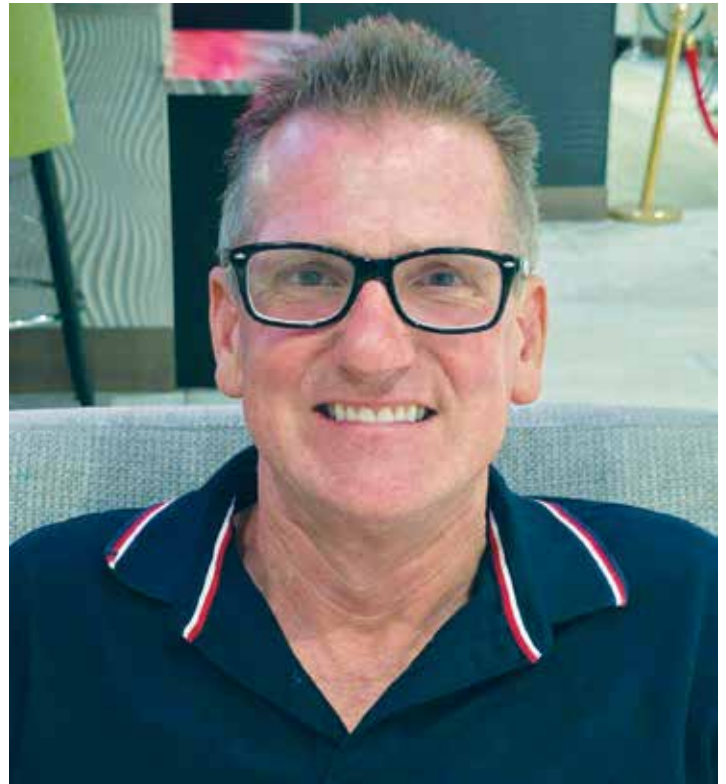
**"It gave me my life back," he says. "And now, I help others take back theirs."**

Interested in learning more about stem cell activation and X39?

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**Dr. Todd Plocher**

## FROM GLOWING MUSHROOMS TO COASTAL MASTERPIECES CASA ROMANTICA NEW ART EXHIBITS

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens is proud to announce two new exhibitions now open to the public, showcasing artists whose practices are deeply rooted in nature and imagination. Journey through glowing fungi with whimsical fine art photographs by photographer Christopher Allwine with Dreamscapes and Dream States: Mushrooms on view through November 16 in the Art Gallery. Then, visit The Studio for Impressions of Place by artist-in-residence Fay Wyles, on view through November 23, featuring impressionistic paintings that capture the light and atmosphere of Southern California's coast.

In the Art Gallery, Allwine's Mushroom series elevates fungi into luminous dreamscapes, created entirely in-camera without digital manipulation. Mushrooms hold a symbolic place in Allwine's oeuvre, reflecting his fascination with organic forms and their connection to growth, decay, and regeneration. By using handheld light tools during long exposures, his images blur the line between the familiar and fantastical while encouraging reflection on universal themes of connection and renewal.

Allwine's work is especially unique due to his cinematic approach to fine art photography. Drawing inspiration from the Pacific Northwest's forests during the pandemic, he developed a method of treating each scene like a

painter's canvas: layering light, mood, and movement in real time. The result is a body of work that feels both ethereal and grounded, transporting viewers into a world where the ordinary becomes extraordinary.

"It is an honor and a privilege to have my mushroom series featured at Casa Romantica," said Allwine. "Considering this beautiful venue's rich legacy of supporting the arts, I'm truly humbled to be recruited for a solo exhibition. I hope my work encourages viewers to reflect on how they treat our planet. We only get one Earth - let's all do our part to take care of it together."

In The Studio, Wyles' residency exhibition evolves throughout the season, with new plein air and studio works added as originals sell. Visitors may encounter her painting live on Fridays, often joined by fellow artists, creating an interactive and ever-changing experience. "I'm honored to be part of Casa Romantica's new artist-in-residence program," said Wyles. "It connects me to the local community and to such a historic and inspiring landmark right here in San Clemente. My hope is that people who encounter my work will leave with a sense of place and a reminder of the beauty that surrounds us."

Both exhibitions debuted with opening receptions that drew more than 100 guests each, including collectors,



**Christopher Allwine hangs artwork for Dreamscapes and Dream States: Mushrooms exhibition** **Onlooker enjoys artwork from Impressions of Place by Fay Wyles, Casa Romantica's latest artist-in-residence in The Studio**

friends, teachers, students, families, as well as members of the local San Clemente and Orange County community from surfers and lifeguards to longtime art supporters.

"These exhibitions highlight Casa Romantica's commitment to presenting original and innovative artistic voices that engage and inspire," said Kylie Travis, Executive Director of Casa Romantica. "From Christopher Allwine's surreal mushroom dreamscapes created entirely in-camera to Fay Wyles' dynamic plein air paintings, we hope guests of all ages come to experience these remarkable works and discover new ways of seeing both nature and art."

With free family activities, art exhibitions, live music, coffee concerts, and creative workshops, Casa Romantica has something for everyone. For a complete list of events or to purchase tickets, visit CasaRomantica.

org and follow @CasaRomanticaSC on social media.

About Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens:

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# VANGUARD UNIVERSITY'S GLOBAL CENTER FOR WOMEN AND JUSTICE HOSTED 12TH ANNUAL "AMPLIFY" EVENT TO PROMOTE EDUCATION AND PREVENTION

*Leaders, advocates and students united to celebrate changemakers and raise crucial funds for education, awareness, and community protection*

Vanguard University's (VU) Global Center for Women and Justice (GCWJ) welcomed more than 200 supporters to the 12th annual "Amplify" luncheon on Saturday, September 13, at VEA Newport Beach. With poignant stories of survivors gracing every table, a spirit of shared purpose filled the room, inspiring generosity and raising more than \$327,000 to support education and prevention initiatives addressing exploitation and vulnerability in Orange County and beyond.

As envisioned, "Amplify" continues to raise the volume on an often unseen yet pervasive issue, bringing together community leaders, advocates and students to increase understanding, celebrate local changemakers, and grant scholarships for students advancing this critical work. This year, Adele Oddo was presented the Lifetime Achievement Award for her contributions to VU and the GCWJ since the center was founded in 2003. Generous sponsors of the event included The Samueli Foundation, Steward Group Inc. and the Oddo Family.

Speaking on the importance of education and celebrating the momentous work done in prevention, Executive Director of the Global Center for Women and Justice Sandra Morgan, Ph.D. said, "Research, education, advocacy and collaboration are the pillars on which the Global Center for Women and Justice stands. We have much to be grateful for as we reflect on the progress made in expanding awareness and education. But we can't stop now. The hard work of educating and training school nurses, police, social workers, and teachers must continue if we are to prevent exploitation and keep our community safe."

"Exploitation affects our community in ways we often don't see, but education gives us the power to prevent it," said Dr. Morgan. "At 'Amplify,' we shared stories of survivors and those on the frontlines—from a student who went on a GCWJ study abroad experience and became a Homeland Security Special Agent to my own experiences caring for vulnerable youth as a nurse. These stories remind us that prevention requires all of us—schools, families, law enforcement and neighbors—to be informed and to educate others about ways to protect women and youth. Our hope is that every attendee left not just informed, but inspired to amplify voices and take action to safeguard the vulnerable."

The charitable event began at 10:45 a.m. with a courtyard reception featuring fruit and refreshments and a performance by the Vanguard University String Quartet. Guests transitioned to the ballroom, sitting down to round tables adorned with golden centerpieces and white and green floral bouquets. Lunch included an heirloom tomato and burrata

salad followed by a choice of port wine braised beef short rib, purple sweet potato mash, carrots and port wine reduction, or butternut squash ravioli with goat cheese, sage brown butter and baby squash. Dessert included a frozen yogurt parfait with berries.

The program began with a welcome from VU Provost Ryan Hartwig, Ph.D. Event co-chairs Jill Dopp and Angela Carlson-Davis also greeted the room, emphasizing the importance of collective action and teaching the next generation the importance of generosity.

Inspiring stories of resilience in the face of adversity were shared through a compelling video. Then, supporters expressed their generosity during the live auction and fund-a-need portion. Highlights of the live auction included packages to Big Bear Lake and Catalina Island, a United Defense tactical package, a Porsche racing experience and the annual favorite private Greek cooking class with Dr. Morgan.

Another program highlight was the announcement of surprise scholarships awarded to two VU student leaders, Delaney Mininger and Melanie Bracamontes Vargas, in recognition of their impact in the fight against exploitation. Both students have served as president of the student-led club Live2Free, which educates peers and organizes the annual fair-trade fashion show that promotes ethical shopping as a way to prevent exploitation. Vargas also presents trauma-informed and interactive curriculum to local middle and high school students through the GCWJ's Safe Community, Safe Kids program. Both students exemplify GCWJ's mission to equip the next generation with the knowledge and courage to pursue justice.

Funds raised from the 12th annual Amplify luncheon will directly support GCWJ's research, advocacy, and prevention programs, including Safe Communities, Safe Kids, scholarships for survivors, and professional training for frontline workers. To learn more, visit [gcwj.org](http://gcwj.org).

About Global Center for Women and Justice (GCWJ)

For over 20 years, GCWJ has provided training and resources to promote education and awareness in the Orange County community, to students and parents, and to leaders around the world. The Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force reported in its 2021 annual report that, in 2019 and 2020, services were provided for 357 victims, and 101 of them were minors. Through research, education, advocacy and collaboration with community partners, including the Orange County Department of Education and child welfare at its annual Ensure Justice conference, GCWJ works to build a community where exploitation cannot continue. With its emphasis on education, GCWJ also continues to



*Live2Free President Delaney Mininger, Vice President Bella Luzi and and Communications Chair Chloe McLeroy*



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# MISSION VIEJO ELKS LODGE INVITES LOCAL YOUTH TO COMPETE IN ANNUAL ELKS HOOP SHOOT FREE THROW CONTEST

The Mission Viejo- Saddleback Valley Elks Lodge #2444 is proud to host the Annual Elks Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest on Saturday, November 15th, 2025 at Mission Viejo High School's Main Gym. The contest runs from 12:30 to 2:30 PM, with shooting beginning promptly at 1:00 PM.

The Elks Hoop Shoot is more than just a free throw contest—it's an opportunity for kids to build character, set goals, and learn the value of persistence. Boys and girls ages 8–13 are invited to take part in this exciting event, free of charge. Winners will advance through district, state, and national competitions, with the ultimate prize being a chance to have their name permanently inscribed in the National Basketball Hall of Fame.

### Why the Hoop Shoot Matters

The Elks Hoop Shoot is one of the most recognized and respected youth programs in the nation, teaching children lessons that last a lifetime:

- **Goal Setting:** Every shot teaches discipline, focus, and determination.
- **Character Building:** Kids learn sportsmanship, perseverance, and the importance of practice.
- **Self-Esteem:** Success on the court fosters confidence that carries into school, friendships, and life.

• **Community Spirit:** Families, teachers, and friends cheer kids on in a supportive, positive environment. "Our mission is to give kids the tools to succeed not just in basketball, but in life," said Ed Merk, Hoop Shoot Director. "Every child who participates walks away a winner, because they've challenged themselves, had fun, and built confidence."

### Event Details at a Glance

**Location:** Mission Viejo High School – Main Gym  
**Date:** Saturday, November 15th, 2025  
**Time:** 12:30–2:30 PM (Contest starts at 1:00 PM)  
**Ages:** Open to all kids ages 8–13 (as of April 1, 2026)  
**Cost:** FREE to participate  
**Contact:** Ed Merk • (949) 677-1213  
**Learn more:** [elks.org/hoopshoot](http://elks.org/hoopshoot)

About the Elks Hoop Shoot  
 Funded by the Elks National Foundation, the Hoop Shoot has been helping children develop grit, resilience, and confidence since 1946. Each year, more than 1.5 million youth across the country participate, making it one of the largest and most impactful free throw programs in the United States.

The Mission Viejo-Saddleback Valley Elks Lodge #2444 is celebrating over 52



years of service to Saddleback Valley Communities. It is one of 8 lodges in the Orange Coast District of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks (BPOE) whose headquarters is in Chicago, Illinois. The BPOE is a charitable organization with a 157-year history of giving. For information regarding Elks programs or Elks membership, call 949 830-3557

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# Taste of Wine & Food

By Frank Mangio & Rico Cassoni

## RAISING THE BAR: DEL MAR WINE + FOOD FESTIVAL 2025 AND A FLIGHT OF ANGELS

Story by Rico Cassoni.

Now in its third year, the Del Mar Wine + Food Festival has quickly become one of San Diego's signature culinary events, thanks to the vision of local food writer and TV personality Troy Johnson. A San Diego native, Johnson has spent more than a decade on Food Network, most notably as a lead judge on Guy's Grocery Games. Along with his wife Claire, he took ownership of San Diego Magazine in 2021 to create good things for their community, like this festival.

This year, Johnson raised the bar even higher, with the return of the region's most beloved ambassadors: U.S. Women's Soccer icon Alex Morgan, NFL superstar Drew Brees, and surf legend Rob Machado. The spotlight moment, however, was the addition of Food Network's biggest personality, Guy Fieri.

My group for the festival included my wife Mary, family friend Steve Dafnis, and work colleague and mentor Rob Pennoyer with his wife Julie. We dove straight into the Brandt Beef showcase. At Tanner's Prime Burgers, owner Brandon Rodgers' team, led by Jade Auwae and Luke Bergen, was serving juicy prime burgers with beef tallow fries. Brinkman's Executive Chef Jarrod Moiles and Chef de Cuisine Fernando Camacho offered tacos de saudero with beef short rib, pickled shallots, charred serrano aioli, and cilantro. Flying Pig Pub & Kitchen of Oceanside, led by Chef Roddy Browning, rounded out the beef lineup with tri-tip rubbed in "pig spice" and topped with roasted corn chimichurri and grilled chiles.

At the center of these offerings was Orfila Vineyards & Winery. Tasting Room Manager Stacy Melow and Bernece Di Carlo poured their 2024 Ambassador's Chardonnay, 2024 Sauvignon Blanc, 2022 Pinot Noir Bien Nacido, and 2022 Ambassador's Syrah. The Syrah, with notes of strawberry jam, Orange Pekoe tea, and sour cherry, paired beautifully with Brandt's rich

beef flavors.

Heading toward the VIP Tent, we stopped at Amalfi Cucina Italiana for Margherita and pepperoni pizzas. What began in Lake San Marcos has expanded to Oceanside and Carmel Valley, proving their broad appeal. We also sampled bites from the Four Seasons Aviara's Seasons Restaurant, leaving me eager for our upcoming review. At The Prisoner Wine Company booth, Jason Shear and Kate Bennett poured Friction Viognier, their signature Red Blend, Napa Cabernet, and Reserve Red Blend.

The VIP Tent opened with Browne Family Wines. Winemaker Michael Browne, of Kosta Browne fame, was represented by his wife and co-owner Sarah and Sales Manager Kristi Sanders, pouring CIRQ Pinot Noir, CHEV Chardonnay, and CHEV Pinot Noir. The CIRQ Pinot stood out for its layers of wild raspberry, black cherry, and spice, gliding across the palate with silky tannins. Browne hasn't skipped a beat since the Kosta Browne days.

From there, we visited Austin Hope Wines, where Brand Ambassador CJ Gormley and SoCal Sales Manager Kylie Colachis treated guests to a standout lineup. Two pours stood out. The inaugural 2023 Three C's Blend was lively and bright, while the 2022 Austin Hope Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon was perhaps the best wine of the show, with blueberry, cocoa, plush tannins, and a lingering finish after 30 months aging in once used French oak.

Next, Blue Ridge Hospitality's Corporate Executive Chef Matt Smarek showcased Rillettes de Boeuf with green apple gastrique (Little Frenchie Bistro), Wagyu tartare with smoked bone marrow aioli (STK Chophouse & Bar), and a Pacific swordfish meatball (Avenue Fish & Oyster Company). Juniper & Ivy, led by Chef Alex Penkin and Sous Chef Ruben Campanan, served tender beef kabobs. I paired Ruffino wines with bites from nearby Amalfi Llama and Estancia booths, all three



Food Network Star Guy Fieri and Food Network personality/Owner San Diego Magazine/Del Mar Wine+Food Festival Host, Troy Johnson Photo by Rico Cassoni

featured in our last column.

No festival is complete without chocolate, and Seabreeze Chocolates indulged guests with truffles and bombons crafted under owner Jim Lantry's watchful eye. We ended with Fox Point Farms of Encinitas, a community-centered farm offering corn and zucchini fritters, honey ale, IPA, and unforgettable pistachio blonde brownies.

By the end of the day, it was clear why the Del Mar Wine + Food Festival has become a premier SoCal event. Few gatherings blend celebrity, culinary artistry, and coastal charm so seamlessly. From Brandt Beef to delicious wines and celebrities, the festival was a feast for both palate and spirit, all in support of Feeding San Diego under the leadership of Bob Kamensky.

Get more information at [delmar.wine](http://delmar.wine). A Special Thank You

While not directly tied to wine and food, I would be remiss if I did not

thank Mass Communications Chief (MCC) Conor Minto for extending Blue Angels VIP passes to this year's Miramar Air Show. Conor, husband of Lindsey Minto, the daughter of my lifelong best friend "brother from another mother" Jeff Gideon, has become family. Recently selected to the Navy Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Squadron, Conor serves as the Communications Team Lead.

The passes placed us at what felt like the 50-yard line for the show. The Blue Angels' breathtaking precision, flying at speeds over 400 mph just 18 inches apart, was unforgettable. Afterward, Conor arranged a personal photo with the pilots, a moment I will always cherish. Despite my 27 years in the Navy, this was one of my most special experiences. Above all, I am grateful for Conor's service, as well as for that of my "nephew" LT Nason Gideon, P-8 Poseidon pilot, and my "niece" LTJG Emma Gideon, MH-60R (Romeo) helicopter pilot.



Taste of Wine and Food Executive Producer, Rico Cassoni, (left center), and friend Ron Benner, flanked on either side by US Navy Blue Angel pilots at Miramar Air Show. Photo by US Navy Blue Angels.

### Wine Bytes

- Evans Hotels — Catamaran, Bahia, and The Lodge at Torrey Pines — has a full slate of fall events. Oceana Coastal Kitchen at the Catamaran will host two more Chef's Tables: Oct. 10 (DAOU Vineyards) and Oct. 24 (craft cocktails). Details at [catamaranresort.com/events-calendar](http://catamaranresort.com/events-calendar). Bahia Resort Hotel will feature Oktoberfest and Halloween cruises, more at [bahiahotel.com/events-calendar](http://bahiahotel.com/events-calendar).
- Del Mar's West End Bar & Kitchen is hosting a five-course Penfold's Wine Dinner on Thursday, October 23rd at 6PM. The main course, crafted by Executive Chef Brian Gist, is Moroccan-spiced Lamb Chops with couscous and broccolini paired with Bin 600 California Cab Sauv/Shiraz. The cost is \$120 per person and includes tax and tip.



### STANDING UP FOR A CAUSE IN NEWPORT BEACH

*Photos courtesy of Walking With Anthony*  
 Newport Beach has long been known as a place where philanthropy and glamour meet, and this October will be no exception.

On Friday, October 24, 2025, the Balboa Bay Resort will host an unforgettable evening when Walking With Anthony celebrates its 15th anniversary with the Stand Up for a Cause Gala. Guests will gather for a night of cocktails, fine dining, entertainment, and inspiration, all while raising life-changing funds for survivors of spinal cord injuries (SCI).

For founder Micki Purcell, the mission has always been deeply personal. In 2010, her son Anthony suffered a devastating SCI that left him paralyzed. Refusing to accept a prognosis of permanent paralysis, she searched the country for therapies and treatments that could bring hope not only to her son, but also to thousands of families in similar situations.

What started as a mother's determination grew into Walking With Anthony, a nonprofit that today provides grants, advocacy, and a voice for SCI survivors nationwide. The organization has changed countless lives by helping families cover recovery costs that can exceed \$1 million in the first year alone, expenses that are rarely covered by insurance.

"This gala is a celebration of resilience," said Purcell. "It's about showing survivors and their families that recovery is possible, and that they are not alone."

This milestone year brings an extraordinary lineup of honorees. Taking center stage is Ali Stroker, the Tony Award-winning actress who made Broadway history as the first performer using a wheelchair to win a Tony Award. Known for her breakout role in Oklahama!, Stroker has become a beacon of hope and empowerment for the SCI community, encouraging others to "turn your limitations into opportunities." Her advocacy extends beyond the stage, breaking barriers in authentic disability representation and inspiring audiences around the world.

Also being honored are two leaders in the medical field: the Hoag Pickup Family Neurosciences Institute and Hoag Spine Institute, recognized for their cutting-edge, patient-centered approach to spine and brain health, and Daniel Amen, MD, a double-board psychiatrist and founder of Amen Clinics, whose research and clinical work have transformed the conversation around mental health. Together, they represent the holistic approach to recovery that Walking With Anthony has championed since its founding, understanding that recovery is not just physical, but also emotional and mental.

"Honoring leaders in spine and mental health care shows survivors that recovery is about the whole person, not just the injury," said Executive Director Anthony Purcell.

As if the honoree list weren't enough to excite, the gala will also welcome a dynamic roster of SCI influencers who are changing the way disability is viewed in society. Guests can expect to see Kevin Ortiz, Anthony Sanchez, Chelsie Hill, Natalie Buchoz, and Jesse Billauer, each bringing their own stories of perseverance and advocacy.

Adding even more star power, the cast and crew of the award-winning film DARUMA will attend. This groundbreaking film has been making waves for its authentic casting and disability representation, and its presence at the gala underscores the powerful link between storytelling, awareness, and change.

Among the notable attendees are lead actors Tobias Forrest, a quadriplegic actor and recipient of the Christopher Reeve Acting Award presented by Marlee Matlin, and John W. Lawson, a double-hand amputee and Best Actor winner at the Slamdance Film Festival. Director Alexander Yellen and writer-producer Kelli McNeil-Yellen will join them.

The gala promises to be an extraordinary evening from start to finish. Guests will arrive at a glamorous red-carpet entrance before enjoying hosted cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and a gourmet dinner inside the Balboa Bay Resort's elegant ballroom. Live music and dancing will keep the celebration lively, while live and silent auctions, always a highlight, will raise critical funds for SCI recovery programs. Raffles, prizes, and heartfelt stories of triumph will round out an evening designed to inspire and uplift.

Over the years, Walking With Anthony has awarded hundreds of grants to survivors, helping cover physical therapy, rehabilitation, mobility equipment, and other critical needs. These grants represent more than just financial assistance — they represent hope, dignity, and the chance to live a life of independence.

Walking With Anthony's anniversary gala also reflects the philanthropic spirit that makes Newport Beach so special. With generous sponsors including ADP, Bentley Newport Beach, Crystal Capital Partners, Diamonds Direct, EverBank, Hoag Hospital, JetBlue, JP Morgan Private Bank, Riviera Magazine, Round Table Financial, and Tito's Handmade Vodka, the event is a testament to what can happen when businesses, medical leaders, artists, and the community come together for a shared cause.

"Fifteen years ago, Walking With Anthony was born out of hope, perseverance, and a belief that recovery is possible," said Purcell. "The right therapy at the right time can be the difference between a life of isolation and one of independence. Recovery can't wait."

Tickets are now on sale, with individual seats at \$375, tables of 10 for \$3,500, and sponsorships ranging from \$2,500 to \$100,000. For details, visit [walkingwithanthony.org/stand-up-for-a-cause](http://walkingwithanthony.org/stand-up-for-a-cause).

So, dust off your evening attire and prepare for a night of purpose and passion. On October 24, Newport Beach won't just be hosting a gala; it will be hosting a movement.

Together, we'll be standing up for Anthony, for Ali, for every survivor, and for the belief that recovery is always worth fighting for.



Anthony Purcell with wife Payton, daughter Karen, and mother Micki Purcell, joined by Tonya Kowalczyk and Jennifer Midgett at the 2024 gala



The cast and crew of the award-winning film DARUMA with Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation's former CEO Peter Wilderrotter and Walking With Anthony founder Micki Purcell at the 2024 gala



Tony Award-winning actress Ali Stroker Walking With Anthony co-founders Anthony Purcell and his mother, Micki Purcell



Walking With Anthony co-founder Anthony Purcell with NFL great Vernon Davis

# LAGUNA DANCE UNVEILS BOLD SEASON OF INNOVATION, INTIMACY, AND CELEBRATION

Laguna Dance, Southern California's celebrated presenter of world-class dance and education, today announced its 2025/2026 season. This year's program brings together immersive performances, community connections, and intimate experiences designed to celebrate the power of movement in all its forms.

On the heels of its 20th anniversary season, which marked two decades of presenting dance in Southern California, Laguna Dance is building on its legacy with a forward-looking program. The 2025-26 season continues the non-profit's tradition of curating innovative performances while honoring the community connections that have defined the festival since its founding in 2005.

The season kicks off October 2, with First Thursdays Art Walk- Laguna Beach's beloved monthly community gathering where art galleries, museums, and local venues open their doors to the public. Laguna Dance adds an extraordinary dimension by presenting live performances in these creative spaces, offering audiences the rare chance to see professional dancers up close and free of charge.

From there, the season moves into a series of carefully curated events and performances, beginning with Thriller: A Cinematic Soirée on October 17, a spine-tingling evening at the Rivian South Coast Theater featuring dance, film, food, and community in celebration of Michael Jackson's legendary music video. Audiences will experience live performances, learn legendary Thriller choreography, and enjoy a cinematic tribute in Laguna's historic theater.

On November 7, Laguna Dance will join forces with the Laguna Art Museum for its 13th Annual Art + Nature festival, an event that explores the synergy between artistic expression and environmental awareness. Featuring the evocative work of Ana Teresa Fernández, the collaboration will include a site-specific

performance choreographed by Artistic Director Jodie Gates on Main Beach. With dancers from across Orange County and Los Angeles, the piece will transform the oceanfront into a living canvas where movement and nature converge.

In early 2026, Laguna Dance will partner with the Laguna Art Museum for The Nature of Dance on January 24. The one-night program offers audiences a rare opportunity to witness the creation of new choreography in real time as dancers, musicians, and artists collaborate in an intimate setting.

The cornerstone event, the Laguna Dance Festival: Love Letters, runs February 13-15 at the Laguna Playhouse. Each evening features a different program: Dayton Contemporary Dance Company on Feb. 13; Heart 2 Heart: An Evening of Duets on Feb. 14; and Sunday Funday: The Best of SoCal Dance on Feb. 15.

For the first time in Laguna Beach, Laguna Dance is honored to present Dayton Contemporary Dance Company (DCDC)—an internationally acclaimed ensemble with more than 50 years of history. Founded to preserve and celebrate the African American experience in dance, DCDC is renowned for telling powerful stories through movement. Their Laguna Beach debut will feature a richly diverse repertory, ranging from the groundbreaking hip-hop choreography of Rennie Harris to the timeless modern dance of Paul Taylor.

As part of the festival weekend, Laguna Dance will host a free backstage event on February 12 featuring DCDC. This unique opportunity invites audiences to witness the behind-the-scenes process of a professional dance company, offering an authentic glimpse into the artistry and discipline that bring a production to life.

On Valentine's Day, Laguna Dance will also host Heart 2 Heart, billed as its most romantic event of the year. The evening pairs duets with wine, champagne, and an exclusive onstage after-party for VIP ticket holders.

The season closes May 31 with the Annual Gala and Fundraiser at the Surf & Sand Resort. An evening of dining, live performances, and celebration will benefit Laguna Dance's scholarship and education programs.

"Laguna Dance is entering such an exciting phase, and I feel so proud of the role we play as a pillar of the arts in our community," said Jodie Gates, artistic director and founder of Laguna Dance. "Dance, to me, is magic — and this season is full of it. We'll kick things off with Art Walk, and a collaboration with LAM that blends dance with Art + Nature. I can't wait to see families light up at our 'Thriller' workshop and performance at Rivian. Then in February, 'Love Letters' with the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company takes the stage at Laguna



Playhouse — just in time for Valentine's Day, alongside our romantic 'Heart 2 Heart' celebration. Each of these moments is different, but all are tied together by the joy and connection that dance brings. I'm overjoyed to share this journey and much more with our community."

Education continues to be a core part of Laguna Dance's mission. In its most ambitious initiative to date, Laguna Dance is partnering with the Laguna Beach Unified School District for the first time in its history to bring the joy of dance directly into the classroom. Beginning in the second half of the 2025-2026 school year, Founder & Artistic Director Jodie Gates and Artistic Associate Krystal Matsuyama-Tsai will lead movement classes for second graders, nurturing creativity, self-expression, and body awareness. The program will culminate in a backstage experience at the 21st Annual Laguna Dance Main Stage Festival, where students will connect with world-class guest artists and see the magic of live performance up close.

Laguna Dance will also continue to award scholarships, host master classes, and offer pre-show talks throughout the season, further strengthening its role as a leader in community-centered arts education.

### 2025-26 Season at a Glance

- First Thursdays Art Walk: Oct. 2, 2025; Feb. 5, 2026; March 5, 2026; May 7, 2026 | Various Laguna Beach venues
- Thriller: A Cinematic Soirée: Oct. 17, 2025 | Rivian South Coast Theater
- The Nature of Dance: Jan. 24, 2026 | Laguna Art Museum
- Love Letters: Laguna Dance Festival: Feb. 13-15, 2026 | Laguna Playhouse
- Heart 2 Heart: Feb. 14, 2026 | Laguna Playhouse
- Annual Gala and Fundraiser: May 31, 2026 | Surf & Sand Resort Laguna Dance

Since its establishment in 2005, the award-winning Laguna Dance has



been a prominent force in presenting world-class dance performances across theaters, film, and public spaces. With an annual reach that spans thousands, the festival continually introduces new audiences to the realm of professional concert dance. As a nonprofit organization deeply devoted to the arts and community, Laguna Dance is driven by a commitment to collaboration, dance presentation, and education. Through an artistic lens, the organization strategically explores innovative ways to commission artists, educate young dancers, and bring people of all ages and cultures together.

Previous festival lineups boast a rich tapestry of national and international companies and artists, including Ballet BC, Malpaso, RUBBERBAND, Aspen Santa Fe Ballet, Parsons Dance, Complexions Contemporary Ballet, Ballet West, Hubbard Street Dance Chicago, Black Grace, BalletX, Alonzo King LINES Ballet, A.I.M. by Kyle Abraham, BODYTRAFFIC, Paul Taylor Dance Company, and representatives from San Francisco Ballet, American Ballet, and New York City Ballet, among numerous others.



# MAKE BACON CHEESEBURGER POPCORN A NEW TAILGATING TRADITION

Cool air settling in and football games kicking off mean it's time for tailgating, homegating and enjoying favorite snacks with your fellow fans.

Celebrate Popcorn Poppin' Month this October with a combination of two favorite tailgate foods in this Bacon Cheeseburger Popcorn recipe. It calls for a mixture of spices that mimic the cheeseburger experience along with hearty bacon and ground beef for a filling snack that gets you ready for kickoff.

Made by combining cheese popcorn and dill pickle popcorn with hamburger and bacon, along with a dash of spices, it's a perfect game day recipe worth tackling to indulge your family's and friends' taste buds and elevate your tailgate experience.

Find more ways to enhance your tailgate or homegate with easy, popcorn-fueled snacks at Popcorn.org.

Bacon Cheeseburger Popcorn  
Recipe courtesy of The Popcorn Board

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 15 minutes

Servings: 3

- 1 teaspoon mustard powder
- 3/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 6 slices bacon, diced

- 4 ounces ground beef
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1/3 cup popcorn kernels (unpopped)
- 3 tablespoons cheese powder
- 1 tablespoon dill pickle powder
- 1 green onion, thinly sliced

In small bowl, whisk mustard powder, garlic powder, onion powder, salt and pepper. Set aside.

In large skillet over medium-low heat, cook bacon and ground beef 8-10 minutes, or until fat renders and mixture is golden brown and crispy. Transfer to plate lined with paper towels to drain. Reserve 2 tablespoons bacon fat.

In large, heavy-bottomed saucepan over high heat, combine vegetable oil and reserved bacon fat. Add popcorn kernels; stir to coat then spread in even layer. Cover with lid. Shaking saucepan, cook 2-4 minutes, or until popcorn starts to pop, then shake less frequently, at about 2-second intervals, until popping sounds have almost stopped. Remove from heat. Safely open lid.

Transfer half the popcorn to large bowl and toss with cheese powder. Toss popcorn in saucepan with dill pickle powder; transfer to large bowl of cheese popcorn. Add bacon mixture and reserved seasoning; toss to combine.

Garnish with green onion.

Tips: For beefy flavor, sprinkle popped



popcorn with 1/4 teaspoon beef bouillon powder or steak spice, if desired.

For extra-cheesy popcorn, sprinkle

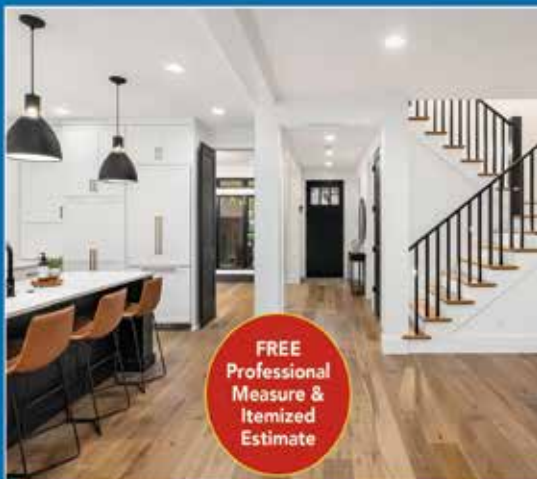
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723120** The following company is doing business as: NEWPORT BEACH VACATION PROPERTIES/NEWPORT BEACH VACATION RENTALS, 813 EAST BALBOA BLVD, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92661. This business is conducted by a limited liability company PIERWALK LLC, 813 EAST BALBOA BLVD, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92661. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/PIERWALK LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723277** The following company is doing business as: HIGHLAND LIQUOR # 2, 12062 WEST ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840. This business is conducted by an individual ANTOUN DURRA, 12062 WEST ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA, 92840. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ANTOUN DURRA. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/20/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723463** The following company is doing business as: 2C WELLNESS DENTISTRY, 25500 RANCHO NIGUEL RD, SUITE 260, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677. This business is conducted by a corporation M. NAJARIANTOUSI, DDS, INC., 25500 RANCHO NIGUEL RD, SUITE 260, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA, 92677. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/M. NAJARIANTOUSI, DDS, INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723557** The following company is doing business as: PHANTOM MEDICAL, INC, 1240 E CHAPMAN AVE, ORANGE, CA 92866. This business is conducted by a corporation PHANTOM MEDICAL, INC, 1240 E CHAPMAN AVE, ORANGE, CA, 92866. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/PHANTOM MEDICAL, INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723578** The following company is doing business as: DUCK LOCKS/DREADLOCKS MAMA, 3811 FERN ST, IRVINE, CA 92606. This business is conducted by an individual MARIA MEKHTIEVA, 3811 FERN ST, IRVINE, CA, 92606. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/MARIA MEKHTIEVA. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723615** The following company is doing business as: MAGIC AUTO TINT, 2623 W LINCOLN AVE, #102, ANAHEIM, CA 92801. This business is conducted by an individual RAUL ALEJANDRO CERDA, 2623 W LINCOLN AVE, ANAHEIM, CA, 92801. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/RAUL ALEJANDRO CERDA. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/25/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723706** The following company is doing business as: SIT PRETTY TOPPERS, 21361 BRISTLECONE, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92692. This business is conducted by an individual MICHELLE KNIGHT, P.O. BOX 6080 - 255, MISSION VIEJO, CA, 92691. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/MICHELLE KNIGHT. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/26/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723743** The following company is doing business as: MY DIVINE SERENITY/SHE BLOSSOMS NOW, 43 TRUMPET VINE ST., LADERA RANCHO, CA 92694. This business is conducted by a limited liability company BEYOND THE VEIL VENTURES LLC, 43 TRUMPET VINE ST., LADERA RANCHO, CA, 92694. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/BEYOND THE VEIL VENTURES LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/26/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256723953** The following company is doing business as: BROS WINDOW CLEANING, 804 N OLIVE ST, ANAHEIM, CA 92805. This business is conducted by a limited liability company NOLAN GUTIERREZ GARCIA, 126 MICHIGAN AVE, RIVERSIDE, CA, 92507. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/NOLAN GUTIERREZ GARCIA. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/28/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724072** The following company is doing business as: CORNERSTONE SOCIAL CLUB, 34436 VIA GOMEZ UNIT A, CAPISTRANO BEACH, CA 92624. This business is conducted by an individual TODD ENGLS, 34436 VIA GOMEZ UNIT A, CAPISTRANO BEACH, CA, 92624. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/TODD ENGLS. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/29/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724106** The following company is doing business as: COFFEE GROWERS DIRECT, 1500 W ELM AVE, ANAHEIM, CA 92802. This business is conducted by a corporation COFFEE GROWERS DIRECT INC., 1500 W ELM AVE, ANAHEIM, CA, 92802. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/COFFEE GROWERS DIRECT INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 8/29/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724523** The following company is doing business as: TERRY WALKER CONSULTING, 26033 CAPE DRIVE #516, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677. This business is conducted by an individual TERRANCE LEE WALKER, 26033 CAPE DRIVE #516, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA, 92677. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/TERRANCE LEE WALKER. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/5/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 20256724597** The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business: RESCO PROPERTIES, 901 DOVE STREET, SUITE 270, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660. The Fictitious Business Name(s) referred to above was/were filed in Orange County on 10/9/20. File 20206586616. The business(es) was/were conducted by a general partnership, (1) JAMES K BIRAM, 901 DOVE STREET, SUITE 270, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92660, (2) RONALD E SODERLING, 901 DOVE STREET, SUITE 270, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92660. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/8/25. Published: The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724629** The following company is doing business as: FORD'S AUTO DETAILING LLC, 2661 ANDOVER AVE, FULLERTON, CA 92831. This business is conducted by a limited liability company FORD'S AUTO DETAILING LLC, 2661 ANDOVER AVE, APT 1, FULLERTON, CA, 92831. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/FORD'S AUTO DETAILING LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/8/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724639** The following company is doing business as: PRIVATE PREMIERE RENTALS LLC, 8216 WOOLBURN DRIVE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92646. This business is conducted by a limited liability company PRIVATE PREMIERE RENTALS LLC, 8216 WOOLBURN DRIVE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA, 92646. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/PRIVATE PREMIERE RENTALS LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/9/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724644** The following company is doing business as: REPEL FILMS, 23201 ANTONIO PARKWAY, RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, CA 92688. This business is conducted by an individual RYAN MICHAEL PAOLELLA, 23201 ANTONIO PARKWAY, RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, CA, 92688. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/RYAN MICHAEL PAOLELLA. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/9/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724784** The following company is doing business as: NANG SAIGON CA PHE, 12842 BROOKHURST STREET, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840. This business is conducted by a limited liability company GG ANGELS 68, LLC, 1343 E ADAMS AVE, ORANGE, CA, 92867. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ANGELS 68, LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/10/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724951** The following company is doing business as: JATI HOLDINGS, 2339 E COOLIDGE AVE, ORANGE, CA 92867. This business is conducted by an individual JESSICA V JATI, 2339 E COOLIDGE AVE, ORANGE, CA, 92867. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/JESSICA V JATI. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/12/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724952** The following company is doing business as: JC CARING SERVICES, 20372 REDWOOD LANE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92646. This business is conducted by an individual JORGELLE CATUNAO, 20372 REDWOOD LANE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA, 92646. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/JORGELLE CATUNAO. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/12/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256724981** The following company is doing business as: BRIGHT PATH MARKETING, 23016 LAKE FOREST UNIT D, 163, LAGUNA HILLS, CA 92653. This business is conducted by an individual MEHROSH SHIRGIR, 23016 LAKE FOREST #163, LAGUNA HILLS, CA, 92653. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/MEHROSH SHIRGIR. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/12/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725112** The following company is doing business as: SEA-SALT COMMERCE & TRANSPORT, 28925 VIA PASATIEMPO, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677. This business is conducted by an individual ABDULLA FOUAD ABUHADHOUD, 28925 VIA PASATIEMPO, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA, 92677. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ABDULLA FOUAD ABUHADHOUD. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/15/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725147** The following company is doing business as: MOTIVE PRINT AND PACKAGE, 6281 BEACH BLVD, SUITE 125, BUENA PARK, CA 90621. This business is conducted by a limited liability company YGM INDUSTRIES LLC, 6281 BEACH BLVD, SUITE 125, BUENA PARK, CA, 90621. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/YGM INDUSTRIES LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/16/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725165** The following company is doing business as: PHO ONEV GARDEN GROVE, 32331 BALTIC SEA DRIVE, DANA POINT, CA 92629. This business is conducted by a limited liability company BOBAN GARDEN GROVE LLC, 3857 BIRCH STREET #942, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92660. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/BOBAN GARDEN GROVE LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/16/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725184** The following company is doing business as: LAVONNE'S FLORALS, 2903 NEWPORT BOULEVARD STE A, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663. This business is conducted by an individual JANE TRAHANOVSKY, 2903 NEWPORT BLVD STE A, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92663. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/JANE TRAHANOVSKY. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/16/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725195** The following company is doing business as: IGNITE AUTO HUB, 34 CIELO CRESTA, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92692. This business is conducted by a limited liability company FFTM VENTURE, LLC, 34 CIELO CRESTA, MISSION VIEJO, CA, 92692. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/FFTM VENTURE, LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/16/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725253** The following company is doing business as: JOVVEI STUDIO, 1815 WEST BAY AVE UNIT B, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663. This business is conducted by an individual WEI LI, 3419 VIA LIDO #636, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92663. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/WEI LI. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/17/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725327** The following company is doing business as: BETALUX, 24792 SAN DOVAL LN, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691. This business is conducted by an individual SEYEDMEHRAN MIRTAZIMDOOST, 24792 SAN DOVAL LN, MISSION VIEJO, CA, 92691. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/SEYEDMEHRAN MIRTAZIMDOOST. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725330** The following company is doing business as: STRATEGIC SALES, 14385 SUFFOLK ST, WESTMINSTER, CA 92683. This business is conducted by an individual CAMERON VERNON TROXELL, 18392 ENTERPRISE LANE #3, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA, 92648. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/CAMERON VERNON TROXELL. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725331** The following company is doing business as: TEDXNEWPORT BEACH, 17192 MURPHY AVE, #18066, IRVINE, CA 92623. This business is conducted by an individual MELISSA REINER, 17192 MURPHY AVE., 18066, IRVINE, CA, 92612. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/MELISSA REINER. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725343** The following company is doing business as: FREEMAN MARINE YACHT SALES, 23 SPICEWOOD, ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656. This business is conducted by a limited liability company REVOLUTION WORLDWIDE MARKETING LLC, 23 SPICEWOOD, ALISO VIEJO, CA, 92656. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/REVOLUTION WORLDWIDE MARKETING LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725355** The following company is doing business as: TWS SUPPLY, 1168 E VALENCIA DR, FULLERTON, CA 92831. This business is conducted by a limited liability company PURIX PRESSURE WASHING LLC, 1168 E VALENCIA DR, FULLERTON, CA, 92831. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/PURIX PRESSURE WASHING LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725376** The following company is doing business as: SKINOUVA MEDSPA, 17050 BUSHARD ST - STE# 205, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA 92708. This business is conducted by a corporation ALSADEK MD INC, 17050 BUSHARD ST - STE# 205, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA, 92708. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ALSADEK MD INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/18/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725407** The following company is doing business as: LET'S GET MOVING ORANGE COUNTY, 11092 PARSLEY PLACE, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840. This business is conducted by a limited liability company 888 BOON LLC, 11092 PARSLEY PLACE, GARDEN GROVE, CA, 92840. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/888 BOON LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725409** The following company is doing business as: KNIGHT CONSULTING SERVICES, 21361 BRISTLECONE, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92692. This business is conducted by an individual MICHELLE KNIGHT, P.O. BOX 6080 - 255, MISSION VIEJO, CA, 92691. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ MICHELLE KNIGHT. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725448** The following company is doing business as: SITES BY VELZY, 2000 CORAL PL, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663. This business is conducted by an individual DEREK MICHAEL VELZY, 2000 CORAL PLACE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92663. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/DEREK MICHAEL VELZY. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725455** The following company is doing business as: AVERRA REAL ESTATE, 24981 DEL MONTE, LAGUNA HILLS, CA 92653. This business is conducted by a corporation VIEWPOINT REO REALTY INC., 24981 DEL MONTE, LAGUNA HILLS, CA, 92653. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ VIEWPOINT REO REALTY INC.. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725461** The following company is doing business as: K-ESTHETICS, 2348 CEBU CT., PLACENTIA, CA 92870. This business is conducted by an individual KATIE LYNNE COBOS, 2348 CEBU CT., PLACENTIA, CA, 92870. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/KATIE LYNNE COBOS. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725481** The following company is doing business as: TRAVELING THE WORLD, 24 PACIFIC CREST, IRVINE, CA 92602. This business is conducted by an individual NURCYS GRIMES, 24 PACIFIC CREST, IRVINE, CA, 92602. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/NURCYS GRIMES. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725483** The following company is doing business as: MODIFIED M/MP AUTO COLLECTION, 201 BRACKENS, LAKE FOREST, CA 926308466. This business is conducted by a corporation AVANTECH INTERNATIONAL INC, 201 BRACKENS, LAKE FOREST, CA, 926308466. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/AVANTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/19/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725496** The following company is doing business as: PRIMESTYLEAI, 28171 WESTFIELD DRIVE, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677. This business is conducted by a corporation BELLAGIOUSA CONSTRUCTION INC, 28171 WESTFIELD DRIVE, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA, 92677. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/BELLAGIOUSA CONSTRUCTION INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725500** The following company is doing business as: QUEEN WARE, 28049 KINGS LYNN, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92692. This business is conducted by an individual MAURICIO CABRERA, 28049 KINGS LYNN, MISSION VIEJO, CA, 92692. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/MAURICIO CABRERA. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725530** The following company is doing business as: ATLAS ENGINEERING GROUP/ AEGROUP, 17932 MOUNT COULTER STREET, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA 92708. This business is conducted by a corporation ATLAS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., 17932 MOUNT COULTER STREET, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA, 92708. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ ATLAS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 20256725539** The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business: ERIKA @ A&E STUDIO, 95 ENTERPRISE, SUITE 12, ALISO VIEJO, CA 926569262. The Fictitious Business Name(s) referred to above was/were filed in Orange County on 4/5/22, File 20226631568. The business(es) was/were conducted by a limited liability company, E&J BEAUTY, 1996 ANAHEIM AVE B202, COSTA MESA, CA, 92627. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/22/25. Published: The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725540** The following company is doing business as: SECRETS SALON OC, 24000 ALICIA PKWY SUITE 8, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691. This business is conducted by a limited liability company E&J BEAUTY LLC, 1996 ANAHEIM AVE, APT B202, COSTA MESA, CA, 92627. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/E&J BEAUTY LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/22/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725679** The following company is doing business as: ORANGE COAST PROPERTY/REAL ESTATE EDUCATION SERVICES, 406 ORCHID AVE., 912, CORONA DEL MAR, CA 92625. This business is conducted by an individual PATRICIA MARIE DE SANTOS, 406 ORCHID AVE., 912, CORONA DEL MAR, CA, 92625. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/PATRICIA MARIE DE SANTOS. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/23/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725690** The following company is doing business as: CALMSPHERE, A NURSING CORPORATION, 120 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE #7014, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660. This business is conducted by a corporation CALMSPHERE, ANURSING CORPORATION, 120 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE #7014, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92660. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ CALMSPHERE, ANURSING CORPORATION. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/23/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725729** The following company is doing business as: ICLUSIG COPAY PROGRAM/ NINLARO COPAY PROGRAM/FRUZAQLA COPAY PROGRAM/ALUNBRIG COPAY PROGRAM, 351 HOSPITAL ROAD SUITE 306, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663. This business is conducted by a limited liability company RIS RX, LLC, 351 HOSPITAL ROAD SUITE 306, NEWPORT BEACH, CA, 92663. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/RIS RX, LLC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/23/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 20256725761** The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business: RENEW WINDOWS & DOORS, 7821 SANTA CATALINA AVE, STANTON, CA 90680. The Fictitious Business Name(s) referred to above was/were filed in Orange County on 3/4/25, File 20256710678. The business(es) was/were conducted by an individual, YAQUELIN FIGUEROA SANCHEZ, 7821 SANTA CATALINA AVE, STANTON, CA, 90680. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/24/25. Published: The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725762** The following company is doing business as: RENEW WINDOWS & DOORS PRO, 3130 W LINCOLN AVE, ANAHEIM, CA 92801. This business is conducted by an individual YAQUELIN FIGUEROA SANCHEZ, 3130 W LINCOLN AVE, ANAHEIM, CA, 92801. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ YAQUELIN FIGUEROA SANCHEZ. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/24/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725783** The following company is doing business as: SALON AFICIONADO, 23600 ROCKFIELD BLVD STE 2C #141, LAKE FOREST, CA 92630. This business is conducted by a corporation SALON AFICIONADO INC, 33086 BUCCANEER CT, SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA, 92675. The registrants have not commenced to do business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/SALON AFICIONADO INC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/24/25. The Mission Viejo News: 9/26/25, 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20256725712** The following company is doing business as: ORANGE COUNTY CATARACT AND GLAUCOMA, 999 N. TUSTIN AVE, SUITE 219, SANTA ANA, CA 92705. This business is conducted by a corporation NIRMALA VISION PC, 58 OPEN RANGE, IRVINE, CA, 92602. The registrants have commenced to do business on 9/30/20 under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /S/ NIRMALA VISION PC. This notice was filed with the Orange County Recorder on 9/23/25. The Mission Viejo News: 10/3/25, 10/10/25, 10/17/25, 10/24/25.

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Once relegated only to the nerds and stat geeks, fantasy football has become a mainstream hobby enjoyed each season by nearly 30 million U.S. adults and is widely credited with the country's increased interest in the NFL. It has become just as common to hear people talk about their fantasy football teams at family gatherings and at the office as it is to hear them talk about the weather. The game has given new meaning to Sunday football and has added a fun twist to the NFL season.

The basic concept behind fantasy football is to assemble a virtual team of real NFL players. You are the "owner" or "manager" of your team and compete in a league generally comprised of between 8 and 16 teams although 10 - 12 teams is most common. The other "owners" can be friends, family, co-workers, or complete strangers. Fantasy points are accumulated based upon the actual statistics of the players on your team. You compete each week against someone else in your league and the person who has the most fantasy points at the end of the week is the winner for that week. The teams with the best records at the end of the fantasy season make it to the playoffs and eventually the top two face each other in the Super Bowl (generally Week 16 of the NFL season).

## DRAFT YOUR TEAM

Perhaps the most fun time of the season is Draft Day. This is the day that everyone picks the players for their team. The goal is to select the players that you think will be the most productive over the course of the season. In standard leagues, teams are comprised of 1 quarterback (QB), 2 running backs (RB), 3 wide receivers (WR), 1 tight-end (TE), 1 kicker (K), and 1 defense/special teams (DST). Owners take turns picking NFL players and an NFL player can only be on 1 team at a time. For example, if you have the first pick and take Adrian Peterson from Minnesota with that pick, nobody else can have him.

Drafting a solid team is imperative to winning a league. Never go into your draft without preparing yourself with player projections and rankings. Virtually every league management program (CBSSports.com, NFL.com, ESPN.com) has some sort of rankings built in, but you can also check out fantasy football rankings from sites like Fantasy Football Nerd and FF Toolbox.

In addition to your starting lineup, you will draft anywhere from 7 to 15 additional players. These players are referred to as your "bench". During the season you can replace your starting lineup with one of your bench players depending on match up or injury.

If this is your first year playing the game and you want to win, the best advice is to avoid the newbie pitfall of drafting players from your favorite team well before anyone else would have. Use the rankings and projections from your research or your league's software to help you make informed drafting decisions. Taking a kicker from your favorite team with your first pick might guarantee you the opportunity to cheer for him all season long but it seriously reduces your



chances of winning games.

## SCORING SYSTEMS

In order to draft well, you will need to know your league's scoring system. Most leagues will have standard scoring (below), but some have extra twists. You may hear the acronym "PPR" which stands for "point per reception". In PPR leagues, players earn a point for every catch. You may also hear the term "bonus points". This refers to extra points given to players when they achieve certain thresholds. For example, Drew Brees might earn you an additional 5 points if he throws for 300 or more yards in a game.

Most standard scoring leagues award points for the following:

- \* 1 point for every 10 rushing yards
- \* 1 point for every 10 receiving yards
- \* 1 point for every 25 passing yards
- \* 6 points for every rushing/receiving TD
- \* 4 points for every passing TD
- \* 1 point for every extra point kicked successfully
- \* 3 points for every field goal kicked successfully
- \* 1 point for every reception (PPR leagues only)

## PLAYING THE GAME

Now that you have drafted a team of players, your league will create your schedule of match ups for the season. Each week you will compete against someone else where the two of you will attempt to "start" the best performing team. For example, if you drafted 3 quarterbacks and your league requires you to start 1, you need to decide each week which of those 3 QB's will be starting and which 2 will remain on your bench. Bench players do not accumulate points for your team so your job is to determine who has the best chance of putting up the best stats. This may seem easy enough, but once the season is underway and injuries and on-field match

ups become factors, the "sit/start" decisions can truly be difficult. If you've been paying attention to the season, some of these choices may force you to question yourself and flip-flop back and forth right up until kickoff. Making the right decision is incredibly rewarding, particularly if it results in a win for you that week!

Looking for help with your weekly lineup decisions? You won't have to look far. There are literally thousands of websites from which to choose for fantasy football advice, rankings, projections, news, and more. Every major league platform has rankings to help you. Some sites like FantasyFootballNerd.com aggregate fantasy football rankings from multiple sources and combine them into one easy to use consensus. NFL Network and ESPN have dedicated fantasy football TV shows. You can find free pod casts from thousands of independent sites. Check the newsstand for magazines. The library will have fantasy football books. Sirius/XM Radio even has a dedicated channel for fantasy sports. It won't be hard to find a plethora of advice and options.

## TRADES AND WAIVER WIRE

Injuries (both temporary and long-lasting) are a near certainty in the NFL. When you combine injuries with the fact that not all of your players will live up to your expectations and other players who perform well above their low/no expectations (commonly referred to as "sleepers"), there is a very high chance that the team you have at the end of the year will not be the same team that you drafted. As an owner, you will want to upgrade your team when and where you can.

As an example, let's imagine that you have 3 good quarterbacks and 2 average/below-average tight ends. Another owner in your league has poorly performing quarterbacks and 2 great/good tight ends. In this scenario, it would be

a good idea to propose a trade of one of your quarterbacks for one of his/her tight ends. Trades are one way to upgrade your team.

The most common place to look for upgrades will be the waiver wire which is simply the term given to players who are not owned by anyone else. You can "pick up" one of these players at anytime during the season but you will be required to "drop" one of your existing players. If for example one of your running backs sustains a season-ending injury, it is no longer in your best interest to keep him on your team as he will no longer be playing. You can drop that player onto the waiver wire and pick up a replacement. This also can be done for players who have not lived up to expectations, particularly if there are better players available on the wire. Check your league for the rules on the waiver wire order. When the waiver wire opens up each week, some leagues have rules indicating who gets to pick and in what order. If two or more owners are all trying to get the same player, the waiver wire order determines which owner can lay claim to that player.

## COMMISSIONER

The commish job is perhaps the most under-appreciated job in the league but someone has to be in charge. The commish determines the rules of the league, organizes the draft date/time, and serves as mediator in all disputes within the league. If your league is playing for money, the commish is usually responsible for holding onto the money and handling the payouts at the end of the season.

The best way to learn to play the game is to jump right in. Grab a bunch of your friends and family or join a free public league. Once you've mastered the basics you will never watch an NFL game the same way again!

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