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### LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

## Fifth Annual **COMMUNITY FORUM**

Thursday • May 17th, 2007 8 am to 2:30 pm



Keynote Speaker

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#### **WELCOME ADDRESS** Rocky Delgadillo; Los Angeles City Attorney

In 2001 Rocky Delgadillo, a native of Los Angeles, became the first Latino to win citywide office in more than 100 years and in 2005 was re-elected to a second term.

Delgadillo's top priorities include fighting crime, improving quality of life and reducing the city's civil liability exposure. His programs, like the Neighborhood Prosecutor Program, the Environmental Justice Initiative, and Operation Bright Future, have helped make Los Angeles a better city.

Prior to his election, Delgadillo was the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development, the Director of Business Development for Rebuild LA, and an attorney at O'Melveny & Myers.

Delgadillo graduated from Franklin High School in Highland Park. He earned a scholarship and graduated with honors from Harvard University and received his law degree from Columbia Law School.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear Huell Howser and Los Angeles City Attorney Rocky Delgadillo. This is sure to be an entertaining and insightful program.



#### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

Huell Howser; Producer, Host and Journalist

Huell Howser is a producer, host and journalist whose philosophy of life is reflected in the stories he reports. The feature program, "California's Gold with Huell Howser," is

now in its 15th season and seen regularly on PBS.

A native of Tennessee, Howser began his television career there after receiving his degree from the University of Tennessee. Howser later joined WCBS-TV in New York. In 1981 he came to Los Angeles to work for KCBS-TV and then joined public television station KCET in 1987 to produce an Emmy Award winning series. Huell's work in television has carried him through travels worldwide, including Egypt, Israel, Haiti, Nicaragua, Cuba, Europe and to the former Soviet Union.

A frequent speaker to civic and student organizations, Howser is also active in numerous charitable, civic and social groups throughout the state.



#### **LANI OVERVIEW**

LANI is a catalytic program dedicated to jump-starting community-driven neighborhood revitalization and improving transit access in challenged Los Angeles communities. Utilizing its nationally recognized community engagement process, LANI achieves this with:

- COMMUNITY CONSENSUS BUILDING
- TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS
- BUSINESS DISTRICT REVITALIZATION
- URBAN GREENING
- ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING AND SUPPORT

#### **FORUM OVERVIEW**

LANI's Fifth Annual Community Forum Fifth Annual promises to be an exciting and educational event!

The Forum gathers and trains neighborhood leaders and community stakeholders working to build a better Los Angeles, providing a critical opportunity for dialogue and information sharing.









The Forum will provide training, resources and inspiration!

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

#### **FREE OF CHARGE**

Thanks to the generous donations of our sponsors, LANI's Fifth Annual Community Forum will be free of charge. Pre-registration is encouraged, however on-site registration will be available.

#### **REGISTER ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS:**

Online at www.lani.org

Mail or fax completed registration form to:

900 Wilshire Blvd.. Suite 1128 Los Angeles, CA 90017

Fax: 213-627-1821

Phone or email all information required on registration form to: 213-627-1822 x20 or email monica@lani.org

New parking location this year! **DIRECTIONS & PARKING** 

#### **USC DAVIDSON CONFERENCE CENTER**

3415 South Figueroa Street Los Angeles, CA 90089 • 213-740-5956



**DIRECTIONS:** USC Davidson Conference Center is located on the southwest corner of Jefferson and Figueroa. From the (110) Freeway exit at Exposition and follow the signs to Figueroa. Turn right onto Figueroa. Turn right onto Jefferson and then right onto Flower (one-way southbound). Enter Parking Structure Two on the right side of the street.

**FREE PARKING in Structure Two**, 3533 Flower Street. Take elevator to the ground floor and walk towards the Radisson Hotel. Cross Figueroa and make a right. The Davidson Conference Center is on the corner of Figueroa and Jefferson. Estimated walk time is 5 minutes.

PUBLIC TRANSIT OPTIONS: Metro Red Line to 7th St. station, then take F Dash bus on Flower St. For more options visit the Metro Trip Planner at www.metro.net

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#### **PROGRAM Schedule**

8:00 - 9:00 AM REGISTRATION	I & CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND
9:00 - 10:15 AM	KEYNOTE SPEAKER & FULL BREAKFAST
10:15 - 10:30 AM	BREAK
10:30 - 12:00 PM	SESSION I WORKSHOPS
12:00 - 12:45 PM	BREAK & LIGHT BUFFET
1:00 - 2:30 PM	SESSION II WORKSHOPS











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## WORKSHOP Topics

Session I (10:30 am to 12 noon)

## DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD LEVEL

Discover the importance of organizing as a neighborhood to protect built assets and to receive funding and support in the event of a disaster.

#### Nina Kihlman

Los Angeles Neighborhood Housing Services
Other speakers to be confirmed

#### **FARMERS' MARKETS**

Forget fast food! Find out how your urban community can have direct access to locally grown farm-fresh produce while encouraging wholesome eating habits and supporting the local economy.

#### **Laura Avery**

Southland Farmers' Market Association Santa Monica Farmers' Market

#### Misty Iwatsu

North Figueroa Corridor Farmers' Market

## KEEPING IT CLEAR: WATER QUALITY AND YOUR COMMUNITY

What's in our water? Find out what "No Dumping: Drains to Ocean" really means and how curbing urban runoff affects your daily life.

#### Laura Hunter

City of Los Angeles Environmental Affairs Department Other speakers to be confirmed

#### **SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TOOLBOX**

Learn the nuts and bolts of strengthening local businesses. Hear suggestions on building a solid foundation for your small business, gaining access to capital and receiving technical assistance.

#### Antonio Pizano

Valley Economic Development Center

Jerry Ruiz Wells Fargo Session II (1:00 pm to 2:30 pm)

#### **ACCOUNTING FOR NONPROFITS**

Learn the fundamentals of accounting systems for nonprofits, including the tracking of revenues and expenditures.

#### Mike D. Strowbridge

Certified Public Accountant

## ALL ABOARD! AN UPDATE ON RAIL PROJECTS IN LOS ANGELES

Don't get left at the station! Find out which trains are headed your way including the Gold Line Eastside Extension, the Expo Line and the Red Line Westside Extension.

#### **Genetha Eddins**

**Exposition Construction Authority** 

#### Jody Litvak

Los Angeles County Metro

#### **Dennis Mori**

Los Angeles County Metro

#### **BILLBOARDS: ART OR BLIGHT**

Do billboards have a place in your community? Hear from experts on both sides of the issue and learn about the City of Los Angeles' billboard regulations.

Speakers to be confirmed

## MURALS: PUBLIC GALLERIES OF ART AND CULTURE

Create your own neighborhood canvas. Learn how to turn blank walls into vibrant murals that enrich your community.

#### **Pat Gomez**

City of Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department

#### **Kent Twitchell**

Renowned Muralist

#### Nathan Zakheim

**Restoration Expert** 

Exhibitors will be sharing resources throughout the day.