

The Arcadia Hot Sheet

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Highlighting News & Events from Around Town

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Santa Anita Park to Stage LA28 Equestrian Events

Arcadia is honored to welcome the return of Olympic equestrian events to the historic Santa Anita Park. Set against the backdrop of the foothills, the events will feature jumping, dressage, and eventing, with both individual and team competitions in each discipline.

Arcadia buzzed with excitement when Santa Anita Park hosted the equestrian events of the 1984 Summer Olympics. Now, more than 40 years later, Arcadia is once again ready, and even better positioned, to welcome the world.

In Arcadia, equestrian culture has been deeply woven into the community's identity since Santa Anita Park first opened in 1934. Located in Los Angeles County, Santa Anita Park has long been an ideal venue for LA28, as it's perfectly positioned to complement the activities taking place throughout the broader region. With additional Olympic venues announced across the San Gabriel Valley, hosting the equestrian events in Arcadia offers fans even more opportunities to engage in the Games.

For decades, Arcadia has demonstrated its ability to host international-scale events by welcoming the Breeders' Cup World Championships 11 times. Most recently, in November 2023, the event attracted 80,000 visitors, who enjoyed a seamless and memorable experience. With convenient access to the Metro light rail and the Arcadia Transit shuttle service, transportation was easily accessible for all.

Additionally, to support this next era of tourism, two new hotel developments are underway in Arcadia. The Hilton Hotel will open its doors in 2025, followed by the groundbreaking of Hotel Tempo, together adding 266 new guest rooms and a rooftop bar. These additions will join the acclaimed Le Méridien, a four-star hotel known for luxurious accommodations and breathtaking mountain views, all just steps from Santa Anita Park.

As the Olympic spotlight returns, so does the opportunity for tremendous economic growth. This global event is expected to bring an influx of jobs and spending to Arcadia's hotels, restaurants, shops and attractions, benefiting local businesses and fueling long-term prosperity for the entire community.

For updated information on the LA28 Olympic Games, visit la28.org.



Key Dates, Programs, & Reminders

Community Bike Ride

May 3, 7 a.m.

Arcadia Community Center

See Arcadia in a different way through a free, 7-mile community bike ride, escorted by Arcadia Police. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the ride kicks off at 8 a.m. Youth under 18 must be accompanied by an adult, and no training wheels are allowed. Learn more at ArcadiaCA.gov/BikeRide.

Register for Summer Programs

Sign up for your favorite classes, program, and events at ArcadiaCA.gov/RecReg. Registration begins online for Arcadia residents on May 12. Open registration begins on May 19.

Law Day

May 17, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Arcadia Community Center

Receive 20-minutes of free legal counseling from volunteer attorneys specializing in a variety of areas. This event is offered in collaboration with the Arcadia Chinese Association. Mandarin, Cantonese, Spanish, and Farsi language assistance will be available. Appointments are REQUIRED and can be made at ArcadiaCA.gov/RecReg.

Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Community Meeting

May 19, 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

CAL FIRE released updated maps identifying areas at greater risk of wildfires. Join the Arcadia Fire Department for a community meeting, at the Arcadia Library, to learn what this means and how to stay prepared.

Firescaping

June 19, 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Arcadia Public Library

Upper Water will host *Firescaping: Reducing the Vulnerability*, a workshop offering practical tips on creating fire-resistant landscapes and protecting your home during high heat and drought. Registration is recommended at UpperDistrict.org.



Water Conservation Rebate Programs

Download the rebate applications at ArcadiaCA.gov/WaterConservation, or contact Public Works for more information at (626) 254-2700 for the following programs:

**SHOWER HEADS . FAUCETS . POOL/SPA COVERS
IRRIGATION & WATER STORAGE TOOLS
TURF REPLACEMENT & WATER WISE LANDSCAPING**

Shred Event

Arcadia Public Library Parking Lot

May 17 . 8 AM - 12 PM

- Proof of Arcadia residence is required.
- Limit of 5 boxes of PAPER ONLY per vehicle.
- No plastic bags, batteries, electronic waste or non-paper items.



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