



January 2022

Happy New Year Neighbors!

We hope you had safe and wonderful end-of-the-year celebrations and look forward to what the New Year has in store. The countdown to the LA County Fair is on! As we anticipate the return of the full-scale fair when we go Back to Our Roots, May 5-30, we are excited to start the year off with the return of many beloved events.

We ended 2021 with the Los Angeles County Fair Association Board of Directors announcing Walter M. Marquez as President and CEO of Fairplex. Mr. Marquez had been serving as interim CEO since January 2020, after joining the Fairplex in 2018 as vice president and chief financial officer. He will be the sixth CEO in the organization's 100 years of existence.

The Asian American Expo returns to Fairplex January 15-16. Featuring 7 large exhibition halls, over 1,000 vendors, 9 non-stop performance stages, and 3 distinct food courts, this event has all of the food, shopping and fun you've been waiting for. Accompanying the Asian American Expo as associated events are Anime Impulse, K-Play FEST and the Sneaker Expo. For a complete show guide and to purchase tickets, please visit <https://www.asianamericanexpo.com/>.

The Pomona Swap Meet and Classic Car Show returns for the New Year on Sunday, January 16. Come out and find hundreds of vendors selling tons of hard to find car parts and accessories and mingle with fellow car lovers. For more information, please call (714) 538-7091 or visit <https://www.pomonaswapmeet.com/>. Please note that both the Asian American Expo and the Pomona Swap Meet will be using Gate 17 entrance located on McKinley Ave the weekend of January 15-16 and additional traffic is expected. Fairplex will be monitoring the space in partnership with the local police department to help mitigate traffic.

The world's largest Reptile Show and Sale will be at Fairplex January 22-23. With over 100,000 sq. feet of reptiles, amphibians, accessories, educational workshops and more -- there's something for every enthusiast. Tickets available online at <https://reptilesupershow.com/los-angeles> or at the door all weekend.

That same weekend on Sunday, January 23, the Exotic Bird Mart presents a trade show for all bird lovers. Socialize, buy, sell and learn with vendors, manufacturers, veterinarians, aviculturists and more. Tickets are only available onsite. Additional details can be found at <http://www.exoticbirdmart.com/>.

January wraps up with the 72nd Grand National Roadster Show running from January 28-30. More than 500 show vehicles take over the expo halls as they compete for awards in the world's longest running indoor car show. To enter your vehicle or become a vendor or sponsor, please visit <https://www.rodshows.com/gnrs/>.

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New dual COVID-19/Flu testing hosted by the LA County Department of Public Health is now being offered at Fairplex. Appointments are now required for testing. Please visit covid19.lacounty.gov/testing for the latest information and to make your appointment as testing availability is subject to change. The testing site is currently open 7 days a week from 7:30 AM to 4 PM and is located at Gate 17 on McKinley Ave.

Update on Carvana: Carvana completely vacated Fairplex's Blue Lot at the end of last year. The lot will now revert back to parking for Fairplex events.

To receive special neighbor only offers to future events, we encourage our neighbors to sign up at LACountyFair.com/NeighborSignUp. Please visit <https://fairplex.com/events> to view our full calendar of events and follow us @Fairplex on all social media platforms, for the latest news and activities. For general information call (909) 623-3111, or visit <https://fairplex.com>.

If you have any issues or immediate concerns during Fairplex events - noise, traffic, or other - please call, text, or email the Neighborhood Response Line (NRL) accessible 24/7 at (909) 263-3304 or neighborhood@fairplex.com.

Sincerely,
Fairplex Community Engagement