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Save the "Date:" Bus Excursion to the Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival
PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale will host a bus excursion to the Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival in Indio on Saturday, Feb. 15, from 11 am to 11 pm.

Tickets are \$12 for Palmdale residents and \$17 for non-residents. Participants may register in advance online at www.cityofpalmdale.org, or in-person at Palmdale's recreation and culture office located at 38260 10th St. East, Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 6 pm.

"The Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival is one of the oldest and most unique fairs in the west," said Recreation Supervisor Leszkiewicz. "Discover the spectacular Arabian Nights Pageant outdoor musical, enjoy exhibits, food, fun and musical entertainers of all kinds, and view over 1,000 exhibits including animal, agricultural, arts, and gems and minerals."

The bus will leave the Palmdale Transportation Center, 39000 Clock Tower Plaza at 11 am. The name of each person attending, address, phone number, emergency contact, and each minor child's birth date are required. An adult must accompany anyone under age 18. The City requires a minimum of 20 registrants for an excursion to take place. Individuals who wish to purchase more than eight tickets for any one trip must contact the excursion supervisor. Cancellations must be made two weeks in advance of excursion.

Upcoming bus excursions include:

Dinosaur Hall at The Natural History Museum, Sat. March 1. 8:30 am – 5 pm.

The Natural History Museum's new Dinosaur Hall is one of the most extraordinary dinosaur exhibits in the world, and the premier dinosaur experience in the western United States. Inside are more than 300 real fossils and 20 complete dinosaurs. One of the centerpieces of the exhibit is the *T. rex* growth series — the only trio of different aged *T. rex* specimens in the world. The Natural History Museum also features exhibits that track and catalog the Earth's biodiversity, and is an authority on the "big picture" of the planet: the natural and the cultural world. Cost: \$13 resident; \$18 non-resident.

Diana: Legacy of a Princess at The Queen Mary, Sat. March 15. 8:30 am – 5 pm

Remembered for her charm, compassion, timeless beauty and classic style, Princess Diana continues to be an icon of inspiration to millions of people worldwide. This exhibit showcases a priceless collection of evening gowns, dresses, personal accessories, photographs, heirlooms and other cherished memorabilia associated with Princess Diana and the Royal Family. Visit also includes admission to The Queen Mary. Cost: \$28 resident; \$33 non-resident.

L.A. County Museum of Art, Sat. April 26. 11 am – 5:30 pm.

With 100,000 objects dating from ancient times to the present, LACMA is the largest art museum in the western United States. A museum of international stature as well as a vital part of Southern California, LACMA attracts visitors from around the world. LACMA's collections encompass the geographic world and virtually the entire history of art. Among the museum's special strengths are its holdings of Asian, Japanese, Latin American and Islamic art ranging from pre-Columbian masterpieces to leading contemporary artists. Cost: \$15 resident; \$20 non-resident.

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