

# Arts Events & Information

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## Featured Events . . .

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Algonquin West Hollywood Literary Award Soiree.** A benefit for PEN in the Classroom, the Soiree honors Aimee Liu, features "From Harlem to Broadway," a staged reading created by Michael Kearns, and a post dessert reception. **Saturday, October 3 at 7 pm** at the Pacific Design Center Silver Screen Theatre, 8687 Melrose Avenue, West Hollywood. Tickets are \$10 and can be reserved by calling (323) 848-6820.

The **8th Annual West Hollywood Book Fair** will take place on **Sunday, October 4** at West Hollywood Park. The multiple award-winning West Hollywood Book Fair is one of Southern California's most eclectic literary events attracting over 20,000 readers and writers of all ages and interests. The West Hollywood Book fair featured over 300 participating authors, 12 stages with author panels and special guests, live storytelling, theater, poetry and performances and writing workshops, and over 100 exhibitors hosting activities, including local independent booksellers and literary non-profit organizations. For more information, please visit [www.westhollywoodbookfair.org](http://www.westhollywoodbookfair.org)

## Don't Miss . . .



**Migration** by Doug Aitken. Enjoy a spectacular outdoor video installation every evening between dusk and dawn at Regen Projects in West Hollywood at the corner of Santa Monica Boulevard and Almont Drive (1 block east of Doheny Drive). The 24-minute video runs continuously throughout the evening hours and simultaneously is shown on two walls outside the gallery creating a heightened visual experience featuring "luscious close-ups of a bevy of wild animals," according to Holly Willis writing for KCET. She writes: "With the outdoor projection at Regen Projects, the shadows of viewers merge with the images on the exterior walls, and it's impossible not to ponder our connection. (Doug) Aitken zooms in on the animals - the soft feathers, luscious fur, delicate rabbit ears - and spectators frequently sighed audibly in response to beauty and cuteness. But the video is not about sentimentality as much as the juxtaposition of unlikely things designed to prompt thought." Not to be missed. Closes October 17, 2009.

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## This Week's Events



**West Hollywood Autumn 2009 Art Walk** presented by LACMA Muse and the Avenues of Art and Design. On **Saturday, October 3 from 6 pm to 8 pm** there will be a self-guided open studio tour of West Hollywood's premier galleries featuring painting, sculpture, assemblage, lithographs and exhibitions of featured artists. Local restaurants will also offer special pre fixe dinner specials. On Melrose and Robertson Avenues in the City's Avenues of Art & Design District. Information: [www.visitwesthollywood.com](http://www.visitwesthollywood.com).



**Feathered Edge:** a new installation by Ball-Nogues studio at MOCA at the PDC **through November 15, 2009**. Sponsored, in part, by a City of West Hollywood Arts Grant, this is an ambitious site-specific project by the innovative Los Angeles-based design and fabrication firm led by Benjamin Ball and Gaston Nogues. For museum hours and more information:

[www.moca.org](http://www.moca.org)

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## This Week's Events . . . continued

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**F\*cking Men.** Direct from its West End run, Celebration Theatre presents the US Premiere of a play by Joe DiPietro. Based on Schnitzler's classic play *La Ronde*, *F\*cking Men* portrays 10 urban gay men and their pursuit of sex and love in a modern world. The play contains adult situations and nudity. Celebration Theatre 7051 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood (just east of La Brea). Runs **Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 pm, Sundays at 3 pm through October 25.** Tickets available online at <http://www.celebrationtheatre.com> or by phone (323) 957-1884. Special Priced Senior Matinee: **October 4 at 3pm - \$12.50 (+\$3.25 facility fee).** Includes after show meet & greet with cast. Use special code "senior" when placing your order.



The L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center's Advocate & Gochis Galleries Present **A Life in Art: 1960-2009. A Retrospective of Ivy Bottini.** Ivy Bottini is one of the undisputed heroes of the long struggle for equality and justice for women and the LGBT community. Ms. Bottini is also an acclaimed artist who began her creative work more than 55 years ago. The L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center is honored to present a retrospective of Ms. Bottini's painting, drawings, and sketches, *A Life in Art: 1960-2009*, covering the entire sweep of her career from her days in the closet through her years of activism. Gallery hours: **Monday–Friday, 6-10 pm, Saturdays, 9 am - 5 pm, and by appointment through October 23.** For more information, please call (323) 860-7337.



**Naked Boys Singing.** They're back in West Hollywood! A huge hit when it premiered in West Hollywood many years back, *Naked Boys Singing* has had over 50 productions worldwide and is still playing in New York where it is the fourth longest running show in Off-Broadway history. Conceived and directed by former WeHo resident Robert Schrock, *Naked Boys Singing* opens Friday, September 25 at the MACHA Theatre, 1107 N. Kings Road. Runs **Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 pm, Sundays at 7 pm. Limited run ends October 25.** Tickets and more information: [www.plays411.com](http://www.plays411.com).

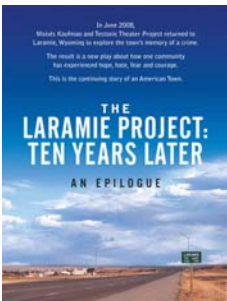
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**Design Loves Art.** The Pacific Design Center presents an arts program featuring a series of rotating contemporary art exhibitions and talks in which different invited artists, galleries, independent curators and emerging architects participate in ongoing project rooms, exhibitions, multi-media events, and film/video screenings. **Design Loves Art**, sponsored by the Cohen Design Centers, aims to merge the art and design worlds and is led by independent curator Helen Varola. For more information, visit [www.pacificdesigncenter.com](http://www.pacificdesigncenter.com).

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## Coming Attractions

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**LARAMIE PROJECT: Ten Years Later ... an epilogue:** Moises Kaufman and Tectonic Theater Project returned to Laramie, Wyoming ten years after the murder of Matthew Shephard. The result is a powerful new play about one town's experience of hope, hate, fear and courage. 100 organizations join in a simultaneous nationwide premiere. Two opportunities to experience this landmark event on **Monday, October 12:**

**7:30 pm at the Broad Stage in Santa Monica.** The world-renowned Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles is the only organization performing the work with music. Tickets are \$40. The Broad Stage is located at 1310 11th St. Santa Monica, CA 90401. For more information or to reserve tickets: [www.thebroadstage.com](http://www.thebroadstage.com)

**8:00 pm at Great Performances in downtown Los Angeles.** 350 S. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90071. Free admission. For information: [www.grandperformances.org](http://www.grandperformances.org)



**Village Variety Pack.** Think of the great variety shows—Ed Sullivan, Sonny & Cher, Carol Burnett. Now give the concept a queer, anything-goes spin and a dose of insanity, and you've got the brand new **Village Variety Pack**, the L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center's twice-monthly series of variety shows at the Davidson/Valentini Theatre in the Village at Ed Gould Plaza. **Village Variety Pack** will present evenings that encompass comedy, song, videos, talk-show interviews and much more, featuring casts of some of the city's most talented performers. Tickets are only \$15, and there's no telling what might happen. At the Village at Ed Gould Plaza, 1125 N. McCadden Place, Hollywood, **Mondays at 8 pm: October 12 & 26, November 9 & 23, December 7 & 21.** Tickets available at [www.lagaycenter.org/boxoffice](http://www.lagaycenter.org/boxoffice) or call (323) 860-7300.

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