



160th Birthday CELEBRATION

The City of Oakland will host **"Celebrating 160 Years of Oakland Love,"** a week-long series of events to take place April 27 - May 4 commemorating the City's 160th birthday. Officially incorporated on May 4, 1852, Oakland has welcomed and inspired generations with its rich history, unparalleled diversity, lush landscape, vibrant neighborhoods and forward-thinking policies.

Celebrating what people love most about Oakland, the 160th birthday events highlight the city's diverse history, arts, music, cuisine and neighborhoods that are the heart and soul of the city - and what prompted the New York Times to recently rank Oakland the #5 place to visit in the world.



Celebrating 160 Years of Oakland Love! Schedule of events to be held in Frank Ogawa Plaza:

Friday, April 27, 12 noon - 1:30 pm Come Out & Play the OPR Way!

Celebrating the launch of 2012 spring/summer recreation season. Information tables, games, live performances and release party for OPR's 2012 Summer Program Guide.

Monday, April 30, 12 noon - 1:30 pm Oakland Loves the Arts!

Celebrating the vast artistry of Oakland - one of the nation's largest and most diverse arts communities. Live performances by grantees from the City's Cultural Funding Program. Special performance by Oakland School for the Arts from their current production of *Les Miserables*.

Tuesday, May 1, 12 noon - 1:30 pm, Council Chambers, Oakland City Hall Oakland Loves its History!

Celebrating Oakland history before and after its incorporation in 1852. History presentations and readings, film screenings and City Hall tours.

Wednesday, May 2, 12 noon - 1:30 pm Oakland Loves Dance!

Celebrating Oakland as the regional center for ethnic and urban dance. Live performances by local dance troupes presented by Carla Service and Dance-A-Vision, producers of the World Dance Stage at Oakland's annual Art & Soul festival.

Thursday, May 3, 12 noon - 1:30 pm Oakland Loves Music!

Celebrating Oakland's rich musical heritage and emerging talent in tribute to the late jazz great Khalil Shaheed. Free concert featuring "Friends of Khalil Shaheed All-Stars" and Oaktown Jazz Workshops.

Friday, May 4, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm City of Oakland 160th Birthday Finale

Birthday cake cutting with Mayor Jean Quan and City Administrator Deanna J. Santana at 11:30a. Live music with the Bay Area Blues Society, dance, speakers, history displays, City Hall tours and community birthday card. "Inspire Oakland" billboard design winners presented by Oakland Digital Arts Literacy Center.



Admission to all events is free. For complete lineup and more information, visit www.oaklandnet.com or call 510-444-CITY.

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