



## *MEMORANDUM*

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Deanna J. Santana

**SUBJECT:** City Administrator's Weekly Report

**DATE:** October 18, 2013

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### **INFORMATION**

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***OPD Chief and Commanders Filming a Public Safety PSA*** – On Wednesday, October 16, Interim Police Chief Sean Whent and the five Area Commanders from the Oakland Police Department (OPD) began filming a public service announcement (PSA) with KTOP TV-10, the City of Oakland's award-winning cable television station. The PSA will highlight how the reorganization of OPD into five police areas is lowering crime in the city. The PSA is expected to be airing in November. Citywide trends year-to-date for the week ending October 13 compared to a year ago show that murder, assault with firearm, rape and burglary have decreased 19%, 11%, 25% and 6%, in each respective police area. While these crimes are down, robbery has increased 25% citywide. Area Commanders are using multiple tools to respond to crime:

- In Area 1, Captain Eric Lewis has created a walking and bike patrol unit to work Thursday through Saturday evenings in response to street level robberies in the Downtown and Uptown areas.
- In Area 2, Captain Anthony Toribio recently held a robbery and burglary prevention workshop for the community. He is also working with the Area 2 Advisory Committee to develop area-specific crime reduction strategies.
- In Area 3, Captain Ricardo Orozco is conducting "check ups" on local robbery parolees/probationers and reaching out to the Latino and Asian communities, whose members are often victims of robbery, to help them report crimes.
- In Area 4, Captain Steve Tull has been working in collaboration with Unity Council Ambassadors, Neighborhood Crime Prevention Councils and business community members to tackle quality of life issues such as prostitution, robbery and burglary.
- In Area 5, Captain Kirk Coleman is joining efforts with the U.S. Marshals, FBI and Parole and Probation departments to support Ceasefire and violence reduction efforts.

Interim Chief Whent reiterated the value of Operation Ceasefire, which has three goals: to reduce shootings and homicides through respectful, direct communication and follow-through with those at highest risk of violence; to decrease recidivism and incarceration rates of individuals participating in the intervention; and to strengthen police-community relations. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***Autumn Lights Festival*** – On Friday, October 18 and Saturday, October 19, The Gardens at Lake Merritt will be transformed with several acres of garden illuminated with enchanting art installations created by local Bay Area artists. Running from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., the event generates funds for garden improvements for the enjoyment of the entire community. The Gardens, Oakland's hidden jewel, were recently named one of California's Top 5 Gardens by VIA Magazine. To purchase tickets, please visit <http://autumnlightsfestival.eventbrite.com>. VIP Tickets for adults 21 and over include free wine and beer tastings and illumination toys in the VIP lounge. The Gardens at Lake Merritt are located at 666 Bellevue Avenue. For more information, please contact Victoria 'Tora' Rocha, Park Supervisor I, at [vrocha@oaklandnet.com](mailto:vrocha@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3208.

***Police Chief Recruitment*** – On Monday, October 7, the City of Oakland launched a several month process to conduct a national search for a permanent Chief of the Oakland Police Department (OPD). The process is designed to ensure that the best and brightest candidates emerge from a nationwide recruitment process that reflects the values of the community we serve and the Police Department workforce. The City will engage the community and stakeholders in multiple ways: community meetings; an online survey in English, Spanish, Chinese and Vietnamese; and an online conversation. Input will be considered throughout the entire candidate evaluation process, right up to the appointment of the permanent Police Chief. Below are the links to the Police Chief Recruitment Website, Police Chief Recruitment Community Survey in English/Spanish/Chinese/Vietnamese and the Police Chief Recruitment Input email address:

- **Police Chief Recruitment Website:**  
<http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/CityAdministration/OAK043196>
- **Police Chief Recruitment Input Email Address:**  
[OPDChiefRecruitment@oaklandnet.com](mailto:OPDChiefRecruitment@oaklandnet.com)
- **Police Chief Recruitment Community Survey in English:**  
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BZK5DR2>
- **Police Chief Recruitment Community Survey in Spanish:**  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/G6X88BG>
- **Police Chief Recruitment Community Survey in Chinese:**  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BKL55BH>
- **Police Chief Recruitment Community Survey in Vietnamese:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BVVCWJY>

- **Community Engagement Website:**  
<http://www.engageoakland.com>

In addition to online surveys and engagement, the City will host three citywide community meetings and will make presentations at the following pre-existing meetings and/or forums with specific target audiences:

- Monday, October 21, 6:30 p.m.  
**Measure Y Oversight Committee Meeting**  
City Hall, Hearing Room 1, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 1st Floor
- Tuesday, October 22, 6:00 p.m.  
**City Council Public Safety Committee Meeting** (special location)  
McClymonds High School Auditorium, 2607 Myrtle Street
- Thursday, October 24, 6:15 p.m.  
**Citizens' Police Review Board Meeting**  
City Hall, Council Chambers, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 3rd floor
- Monday, October 28, 6:00 p.m.  
**Citywide Community Meeting**  
Castlemont High School Auditorium, 8601 MacArthur Boulevard
- Wednesday, October 30, 6:00 p.m.  
**Citywide Community Meeting**  
Lakeside Park Garden Center, Ebell Room, 666 Bellevue Avenue
- Monday, November 4, 5:00 p.m.  
**Youth Commission Meeting**  
150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 4th Floor, Conference Room 1
- Wednesday, November 6, 6:00 p.m.  
**Community Policing Advisory Board Meeting**  
City Hall, Hearing Room 3, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 1st floor
- Thursday, November 7, 6:00 p.m.  
**Citywide Community Meeting**  
City Hall, Council Chambers, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, 3rd floor
- Thursday, October 3 to Thursday, November 7, Various Times  
**Various Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council (NCPC) Meetings**  
For the roster of NCPC meetings, please visit  
<http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043309>.

OPD employees will have an opportunity to provide their input through a confidential online survey and a series of focus group meetings and will receive information at line-ups. Input provided from both the community and workforce meetings and surveys will be used to develop a position profile for the professional recruiter to identify qualified candidates. It is anticipated that an appointment will be made by February or March 2014. To read an Information Memorandum on the recruitment process, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043311>. To view a flyer of the upcoming Citywide community meetings, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043607>. For a copy of this flyer in Spanish, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043608>. For a copy of this flyer in Chinese, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043609>. For more information, please contact Alexandra Orologas, Chief of Staff to the City Administrator, at [aorologas@oaklandnet.com](mailto:aorologas@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6587.

***OFCY Invites Public Comments on the Development of the LGBTQ Strategy Serving Oakland Youth*** – On Wednesday, October 23, the Planning and Oversight Committee of the Oakland Fund for Children and Youth (OFCY) invites the community to its meeting to provide public comments to inform the development of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) strategy serving Oakland youth. An estimated \$250,000 is still available annually for additional services to LGBTQ youth in Oakland. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers, Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Scott Kim, OFCY Program Analyst II, at [sskim@oaklandnet.com](mailto:sskim@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2209.

***Mural Apartments Groundbreaking*** – On Friday, October 25, a groundbreaking ceremony will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the parking lot of the MacArthur BART station, 40th Street and Telegraph Avenue. Mural represents the second phase of MacArthur Station, a master-planned development on the site of the MacArthur BART station parking lot. Mural will include 90 rental apartments for low and very-low income households with incomes ranging from 30 to 50 percent of the area's median income. Planned amenities include a large community room and kitchen, laundry facilities, two landscaped courtyards and a tot lot. If BART is not in service on October 25, the event will be rescheduled. For more information, please contact Diana Downton, Housing Development Coordinator IV, at [ddownton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:ddownton@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6923.

***Uptown ArtPark to Host Free Interactive, Multicultural Performances*** – Beginning Saturday, October 19, the City of Oakland's Uptown ArtPark hosts four dynamic, free performances by Gamelan Sekar Jaya and Ragged Wing Ensemble during October in recognition of National Arts & Humanities Month, the largest annual celebration for the arts and humanities in the nation that recognizes the importance of culture in America. These performances continue to add vibrancy and cultural richness to Oakland's booming Uptown District. Always free and open to the public, Uptown ArtPark is Oakland's unique outdoor gallery and performance space hosting rotating exhibits, arts performances and interactive events. In presentations developed specifically for the ArtPark, internationally acclaimed, Berkeley-based Gamelan Sekar Jaya will present a multimedia Balinese music and dance performance from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 19, and Oakland-based Ragged Wing Ensemble will present an original play and interactive art

installations at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 24 through Saturday, October 26. The Uptown ArtPark is located on Telegraph Avenue and 19th Street across from the renovated Fox Oakland Theater in downtown Oakland. All presentations are sponsored by the City of Oakland's Public Art Program, Cultural Arts & Marketing Division, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information about the ArtPark, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/CityAdministration/d/EconomicDevelopment/s/PublicArt/index.htm>. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/OAK043529>. For more information about the ArtPark and the October events, contact Steven Huss, Cultural Arts Manager, at [shuss@oaklandnet.com](mailto:shuss@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-4949.

***Library Now Offers Email Notifications when the Books You Want Become Available –***

Beginning Wednesday, October 9, the Oakland Public Library began offering patrons the ability to save up to 25 preferred searches in the catalog. With this new feature, library users can mark their preferences and receive automatic email notices when new titles that match their search are added to the OPL catalog. This is a great way to stay informed of new library materials of particular interest and to be able to put holds on desirable materials as soon as they are holdable. To take advantage of this new feature, users must log into the Classic Catalog before searching and can click on "Save as preferred search" after the search is completed. To set up email notifications, just click on "Preferred Searches" under "My Account" and click the box under "Mark for Email." The Classic Catalog can be found at: <http://catalog.oaklandlibrary.org/>. For more information, contact Jamie Turbak, Acting Associate Director, at [jturbak@OaklandLibrary.org](mailto:jturbak@OaklandLibrary.org) or (510) 238-6610.

***OPD Community Satisfaction Survey*** – On Tuesday, October 8, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) posted a Vietnamese translation of its community survey on its website at [www.oaklandpolice.com](http://www.oaklandpolice.com) and the City's home page at [www.oaklandnet.com](http://www.oaklandnet.com). The survey was previously released in English, Chinese and Spanish. The English version is accessible at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7YLJ9RT>. The Chinese version of the survey can be accessed directly at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LX3CH9V>. The Spanish version can be accessed directly at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KC5H3WV>. Paper versions of the survey are available from Neighborhood Services Coordinators and at the Police Administration Building, 455 7th Street and the Eastmont Substation, 2651 73rd Avenue. Since the survey was released last month, more than 2,000 people have taken the on-line English version. On November 8, the survey will close and after analysis, results will be shared with the community. For more information, please contact Sgt. Holly Joshi, OPD Chief of Staff, at [hjoshi@oaklandnet.com](mailto:hjoshi@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3131.

***City Seeks Citizen Input on Council Redistricting*** – On Tuesday, October 15, the full City Council held the first public hearing on the proposed redistricting maps and advanced three maps to the public hearing on Tuesday, October 29. The Oakland City Charter mandates the review of City Council District boundaries every 10 years to equalize each district's population according to U.S. Census data. To view the reports, resolution and video of the Oakland City Council meeting on June 4 where the Council established the criteria to be used, please visit <http://bit.ly/103avDM>. In July and September, a series of seven Redistricting Town Hall

Meetings were held throughout Oakland. The three meetings in July educated the public about Redistricting while the four meetings in September presented 13 proposed maps, including 10 submitted by the public. Public input is encouraged and can be provided by:

- Using the interactive mapping software at <http://www.onlineredistricting.com/Oakland2/redist/>
- Emailing suggestions and comments to [strategicplanning@oaklandnet.com](mailto:strategicplanning@oaklandnet.com)
- Leaving a voice message on the redistricting hotline at (510) 238-3079
- Visiting the City's newly launched open data platform, <http://data.oaklandnet.com>, to explore and visualize population data
- Engaging in the discussion online at <http://www.EngageOakland.com>

For more information on Oakland's redistricting process including a map of current Council Districts, relevant legislation, upcoming Council meeting dates and more, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting](http://www.oaklandnet.com/redistricting). For more information, please contact Devan Reiff, AICP, Planner II, at [dreiff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dreiff@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3550.

**Youth Cheer Registration** – On Saturday, October 19, and Saturday, October 26, Arroyo Viejo Recreation Center, located at 7701 Krause Avenue, will host registration for Youth Cheer from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Youth Cheer is a dynamic cheer program, available to boys and girls ages 3 to 16, which focuses on health, community and personal development. Activities include cheer, dance, mentoring, academic advising, parade appearances, competitions and community service projects. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet the coaches who lead the Youth Cheer program. For more information, contact Recreation Supervisor Maribel Corral at (510) 615-5755 or [mcorral@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mcorral@oaklandnet.com).

**Fresh Basketball Courts at deFremery Park** - On Wednesday, October 16, two new basketball courts at deFremery Park, 1651 Adeline Street, were unveiled. The basketball courts, complete with NBA hoop and backboard systems, were renovated through a partnership between the Office of Parks and Recreation (OPR) and the Public Works Agency, Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney, the Golden State Warriors, the Good Tidings Foundation, the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) and the Friends of Oakland Parks and Recreation (FOPR) Bliss Family Gift. Activities included a ribbon cutting as well as demonstrations by players from the Golden State Warriors and players from OPR's Jr. Warriors basketball teams. For more information, please contact Mark Hall, Project Manager, [mhall@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mhall@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2389.

**OPR Girls Sports Hangout Day** – On Friday, October 25, the Rainbow Recreation Center will host a Girls Sports Hangout Day. Girls of all ages are encouraged to attend the event from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and participate in karaoke, tug-a-war, double-dutch, dancing, nail and face painting and more. Put on your pink, in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and support the Girls Sports Candy Shoppe. Registration is required, but the event is free. To register, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/parks4](http://www.oaklandnet.com/parks4) and enter the activity number #24039.201 or register in person at either the Rainbow Recreation Center, 5800 International Boulevard or the San Antonio

Recreation Center, 1701 E.19th Street. For more information, contact Coach Love, Recreation Center Leader, at [lsein-colon@oaklandnet.com](mailto:lsein-colon@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 535-5608.

**Free Oakland Civic Orchestra Concert** – On Sunday, November 24, at 4:00 p.m., the Oakland Civic Orchestra, in partnership with the Office of Parks and Recreation, will host the 22nd Annual Oakland Civic Orchestra Concert. Musicians of all ages and backgrounds will come together to share the joy and magic of music-making. The Oakland Civic Orchestra, conducted by Artistic Director Martha Stoddard and Assistant Conductor Jason Oestenstad, presents “Enduring and Endearing – 19th Century Masterworks”, featuring Brahms’ Symphony No. 4, Dvorak’s Cello Concerto in B Minor (movement 1) with guest soloist Jasper Hussong, and Tchaikovsky’s Polonaise & Waltz from Eugene Onegin. The concert will be held at the Lake Merritt United Methodist Church located at 1330 Lakeshore Avenue. The volunteer community orchestra provides free classical music to the community and relies on funding from the City of Oakland’s Office of Parks and Recreation, public donations and membership dues. Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. For more information, please visit <https://sites.google.com/site/oaklandcivicorchestra/home> or contact Margaret L. Wu at [scoobywu2@aol.com](mailto:scoobywu2@aol.com) or (510) 524-3094.

**Senior Travel Adventures** – On Tuesday, November 12, the North Oakland Senior Center (NOSC) will host Premier World Discovery for a preview of their 2014 Group Travel Adventures. From 10:30 a.m. to noon, join Premier’s Kelly Ross for an exciting slide show of select trips for North Oakland seniors that range from London, Paris and Amsterdam by rail to a Colorado Springs get-away to a tour of Venice and the Italian Lakes. These travel adventures are offered as combined trips with other senior groups from across the country. That way, sufficient sign-up is assured and the trips are a “go.” Start dreaming and planning today. A limited number of spaces are reserved exclusively for NOSC seniors. Flyers with complete details are available. The event will be held at the center, 5714 Martin Luther King Jr. Way. For more information, contact Mary Norton, Senior Center Director, at [mnorton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mnorton@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 597-5085.

### **Information Memorandums:**

The following Information Memorandum was released in the last month.

**Clarification of WIB Youth Council Item** – The purpose of this informational memorandum is to clarify the intent of City staff and members of a Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Youth Council Work Group regarding a recommendation to the full Youth Council on ways to improve and sustain summer employment opportunities for Oakland youth. The need for clarification is based on misinterpretations about the Work Group’s recommendation, which were expressed at the October 9, 2013 Youth Council meeting and published in the Oakland Post’s October 9 – 13 edition. <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK043606>

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

***Mexica Dance*** – Mondays, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Peralta Hacienda Center for History and Community, 2488 Coolidge Avenue. Discover Mexica culture during ceremony and dance classes open to the public. For more information, please visit [www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org).

***Guided Walking Tours*** – Wednesdays and Saturdays through October 30, 10:00 a.m., Various Starting Points. The semiweekly guided tours showcase the city's changing skyline, landmarks, churches and high-rises. There are eight different tour itineraries. The tour brochure, itinerary descriptions, dates and starting locations are available at [www.oaklandnet.com/walkingtours](http://www.oaklandnet.com/walkingtours). Reservations are recommended and may be made by leaving a message on the Tours' 24-hour hotline at (510) 238-3234 or via email to [aallen@oaklandnet.com](mailto:aallen@oaklandnet.com).

***Board Game Days*** – Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Hall 2, Downtown Oakland Senior Center, 200 Grand Avenue. Join others in rousing board games including Monopoly, Scrabble, Boggle and many more. For more information, please contact Jennifer King, Senior Center Director, at [jking@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jking@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3284.

***Jack's Glow and Fire Show*** – Wednesdays through October 23, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Jack London Square, Pavilion Stage, foot of Broadway. Experience a fusion of fire dance and flow art with fire hoopers, fire spinners and fire jugglers. For more information, please call (510) 645-9292.

***Affordable Health Care Act: Your Questions Answered*** – Wednesdays through 2013, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Main Library, 125 14th Street. Come and learn about the Affordable Health Care Act. A certified enrollment counselor will be available to answer your questions and assist with the application process in the Main Library computer lab. For information, please contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at [mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6611.

***Beginner's Zumba Gold for Seniors*** – Thursdays through December 19, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., North Oakland Senior Center, 5714 Martin Luther King Jr. Way. Seniors can enjoy Zumba Classes for only \$5 per class. Pre-register in the office or join at class time. Please note there will be no classes on October 31 or November 28. For more information, please contact Mary Norton, Senior Center Director, at [mnorton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mnorton@oaklandnet.com) or call (510) 597-5085.

***First Thursday Art Walk*** – First Thursdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Grand Avenue from LakePark to Piedmont border. The Grand Avenue Business District hosts a monthly art event with special discounts from merchants and galleries. For more information, please visit <http://piedmont.patch.com/groups/events/p/ev--first-thursday-art-walk-down-grand-avenue>.

***Embrace the Dimond District*** – Third Thursdays, 5:00 p.m., Dimond Avenue & MacArthur Boulevard. Join friends, family and neighbors to experience the Dimond District. This monthly event, organized by the Dimond Business and Professional Association, has a different theme each month. Enjoy local artists, a fun Kids' Zone and merchant specials. For more information, please visit [www.shopdimond.com](http://www.shopdimond.com).

***Friday Nights @ OMCA*** – Fridays, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Join the Oakland Museum of California and Off the Grid every Friday for a family-

friendly take on a festive night market. Enjoy blues, jazz and bluegrass with DJs and live bands, free dance lessons and extended museum hours. For more information, please visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org) or call (510) 318-8400.

***Dinner, a Movie and the Universe*** – Friday & Saturday evenings year-round, Various Times, Chabot Space and Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. The perfect date night experience is back by popular demand. Enjoy a full-course dinner in the Skyline Bistro, the live-narrated Planetarium show *Cosmos 360* and view the night sky through the telescopes (weather permitting). Reservations are not required, but strongly encouraged. For more information, please visit <http://www.chabotspace.org/dinner-movie-universe.htm>.

***Mindful Drumming for “Mishe” Happiness*** – Last Fridays, 7:30 p.m., Attitudinal Healing Connection, 3278 West Street. Experience an once-in-a-lifetime drumming gathering for happiness for the entire family. Cultivate “mishe” happiness through mindfulness, synchronistic rhythms and community building. Mindful drumming offers an authentic path to happiness and unleashes the human potential. For more information, please visit [www.ahc-oakland.org](http://www.ahc-oakland.org) or call (510) 652-5530.

***Saturday Morning Bike Ride*** – Saturdays, 8:45 a.m., Warehouse416, 416 26th Street. Enjoy a flat, short ride designed to provide new or returning riders with a way of getting started. Guides adjust the ride based on participants' needs. Rain cancels ride. For more information, please contact Ron Scrivani at [scrivanir@aol.com](mailto:scrivanir@aol.com) or visit [www.warehouse416.com](http://www.warehouse416.com).

***SFMOMA Acoustic Sound Art Installation Hosted in Ogawa Plaza*** – Through Sunday, November 17, Various Hours, Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. “Occasional Music,” a sound installation by Oakland-based Zarouhie Abdalian, features brass bells programmed to ring simultaneously at a specified time each day from rooftops in and around Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. For several minutes, each bell will play a randomized rhythmic structure that will sound different each time. The installation is part of SFMOMA On The Go program. The time of the once-a-day pealing of the bells will vary. For more information including the bell-ringing schedule, please visit [www.sfmoma.org/secaaward](http://www.sfmoma.org/secaaward).

***The Tree of Life and Death: Dias de Los Muertos 2013*** – Through Sunday, December 8, Various Hours, Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. The museum's 19th annual Days of the Dead exhibition features installations by guest artists fusing the themes of life, death and remembrance with ecology. Topics explored include empathy, knowledge and habitat and species loss, conservation and restoration. For more information, please visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org).

***“What I Hear, I Keep: Stories from Oakland’s Griots”*** – Through Saturday, February 22, 2014, Wednesdays to Saturdays from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., Peralta House Museum of History and Community, 2465 34th Avenue. A visual and audio art exhibit featuring the voices of African American Oaklanders who recorded the stories of their lives through the Griot Initiative of StoryCorps, a national nonprofit oral history project. Their voices emanate from a gigantic horse,

designed and built by Walter Hood, an African American sculptor and landscape architect. For more information, please visit [www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org) or call (510) 532-9142.

***Ready, Set, Connect! Free Computer Help Available at Six Library Locations*** – Through May 2014, Various Times, Main Library, Asian Branch, César E. Chávez Branch, Dimond Branch, Eastmont Branch and Rockridge Branch. Patrons will be able to get free computer help at scheduled times. Thanks to a partnership with Community Technology Network, the Oakland Public Library has trained young adults to provide free computer help at these six library locations. Ready, Set, Connect! is a professional development program designed to help Oakland youth between the ages of 16 and 24 discover the professional skills necessary for technology-focused careers. For a schedule and other details, please visit <http://bit.ly/GAczwU>. For more information, please contact Lana Adlawan, Supervising Librarian, at [ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7613.

***Teen Read Week at the Library*** – Through Saturday, October 19, Various Hours, Various Locations. The Oakland Public Library is celebrating Teen Read Week with special events and programs aimed at encouraging teens to “Seek the Unknown” at their local library. Teens can participate in a scavenger hunt, create a zine or meet a local author. For details, please visit <http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/teens/events-programs/celebrate-teen-read-week>. For more information, please contact Lana Adlawan, Supervising Librarian, [ladlawan@Oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:ladlawan@Oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7613.

***NACA American Dream Event*** – Through Monday, October 21, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Oakland Marriott City Center, 1001 Broadway. This free event is hosted by the National Assistance Corporation of America, the largest HUD-certified mortgage counseling agency. Assistance is offered for both homeowners with an unaffordable mortgage and new homebuyers. Register in advance online or walk-in. For more information, please visit [www.naca.com](http://www.naca.com).

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, October 18, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., Cosmopolitan Baptist Church, 988 85th Avenue. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

***Bicycle Art Salon*** – Friday, October 18, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m., 1600 E. 31st Street. The Bicycle Art Salon formed in 2010 and currently holds a salon every 3rd Friday of each month, except for July and November. The October Q&A session will feature Rock Paper Scissors Collective. The Salon is open to all, but an R.S.V.P. is appreciated. For more information, please email [bicycleartsalon@gmail.com](mailto:bicycleartsalon@gmail.com) or call (510) 230-8270.

***Movies in the Park*** – Friday, October 18, Dusk, Redwood Heights Recreation Center, 3883 Aliso Avenue. The Movies in the Park series features a free screening of “Hotel Transylvania.”

For more information, please contact Breht Clark, Recreation Center Director, at [bclark@oaklandnet.com](mailto:bclark@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 482-7827.

**Prescott Community Clean Up** – Saturday, October 19, Prescott Neighborhood, Meet at 8th Street at Pine Street. Gather together in the Prescott neighborhood to pick up litter, remove graffiti, plant flowers and send a message that we take pride in West Oakland. Breakfast will be served at 8:45 a.m. The community cleanup is hosted by Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney and Keep Oakland Beautiful. For more information, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/239557066202047/>.

**A PEACE of Nature** – Saturday, October 19, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a trip to Burleigh Murray State Park, in partnership with the State Parks, featuring a docent-led tour plus exciting educational programs planned by State Park staffers. The program is designed for adults and children, ages 6 and up. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. The activity fee includes transportation, a t-shirt and park entrance fee. Spaces are limited. For more information, please contact Alethia Walker, Program Director, at [walethia@oaklandnet.com](mailto:walethia@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 597-5027.

**Learn, Lead, Lift: Community Emergency Preparedness Fair** – Saturday, October 19, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 1203 Willow Street. The Oakland Fire Department's Emergency Management Services Division partners with Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church to host a community event featuring fire safety exhibits, emergency preparedness training, games and prizes. Oakland residents are welcomed to enjoy the fun. To R.S.V.P., please call (510) 238-7044. For more information, please contact Genevieve Pastor-Cohen, Senior Emergency Planning Coordinator, at [gpastor-cohen@oaklandnet.com](mailto:gpastor-cohen@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2326.

**Classic Car Show** – Saturday, October 19, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of Broadway. Enjoy more than 60 vintage vehicles from the 1920s through to the 1960s. From car buffs to casual enthusiasts, the waterfront will transform into an auto mecca showcasing rare Model A cars, roadsters, Thunderbirds and more. The Pavilion Stage will also host live music throughout the day. For more information, please call (510) 645-9292.

**Mysterious Events** – Saturday, October 19, 2:00 p.m., Main Library, Bradley Walters Community Room, 125 14th Street. Mystery writers Janet Dawson, Ann Parker and Simon Wood will talk about their new books and the craft of writing suspenseful stories. Books by all three authors will be available for purchase and for autographs. For information, please contact Barbara Bibel, Librarian II, at [bbibel@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:bbibel@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3138.

**A Taste of Oakland: Uptown Block Party** – Saturday, October 19, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m., Various Venues. A sampling of Uptown's restaurants, bars and retail spaces that are putting Oakland on the culinary and cultural map. For more information, please visit [www.atasteofoakland.com](http://www.atasteofoakland.com).

**Multimedia Performance** – Saturday, October 19, 7:00 p.m., Uptown Art Park, Telegraph Avenue at 19th Street. Gamelan Sekar Jaya brings the music, dance and video of Bali to Uptown with this free outdoor celebration. For more information, please visit [www.gsj.org](http://www.gsj.org).

***Buried in the Body*** – Saturday, October 19, 4:00 p.m. and Sunday October 20, Noon and 4:00 p.m., Mountain View Cemetery, 5000 Piedmont Avenue. Ragged Wing Ensemble's 4th annual fall festival show featuring an original play and immersive installations. For more information, please visit [www.raggedwing.org](http://www.raggedwing.org).

***East Bay Mini Maker Faire 2013*** – Sunday, October 20, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Park Day School, 360 42nd Street and Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Celebrate learning and doing at this event with both established and emerging local Makers. This family friendly event will feature rockets and robots, digital fabrication, D-I-Y science and technology, urban farming, alternative energy, unique handmade crafts, music, local food and educational workshops. For more information, please visit [www.ebmakerfaire.com](http://www.ebmakerfaire.com).

***Splash Pad 10th Anniversary Celebration*** – Sunday, October 20, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Splash Pad Park, Lake Park at Grand Avenue. This free Oak-centric concert and community festival will feature five Oakland-based bands, a beer and wine garden offering Linden Street beer and Periscope wine, kids' activities and information tables by Grand Lake area community groups including NCPC's and the Lakeshore and Grand Avenues business associations. For additional event details, please visit [www.splashpad.org/10thAnniversary.html](http://www.splashpad.org/10thAnniversary.html). For more information, please contact Ken Katz at [ken@katzpjs.com](mailto:ken@katzpjs.com) or (510) 451-6537.

***Flourish Oakland*** – Sunday, October 20, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., MUA Restaurant, 2442 Webster Street. Enjoy an evening event of food, wine and art to benefit Oakland Art Murmur. Help Art and Oakland flourish by attending, bidding in the silent auction, watching artists in action, purchasing raffle tickets and celebrating the arts. For more information, please visit <http://oaklandartmurmur.org/flourish/>.

***Grand Opening of the Savoy Apartments*** – Tuesday, October 22, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., Savoy Apartments, 1424 Jefferson Street. Satellite Affordable Housing Associates (SAHA) is hosting a grand opening for the substantially rehabilitated 101-unit affordable housing project for very-low-income households. The project consists of two existing Single Room Occupancy (SRO) residential buildings: the Oaks Hotel (owned by an affiliate of Oakland Community Housing, Inc.) and the Jefferson Hotel (privately owned). For more information, please contact Meghan Horl, Housing Development Coordinator IV, at [mhorl@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mhorl@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6171.

***Grow Your Business: The Impact of Healthcare Reform on Your Business*** – Tuesday, October 22, 5:00 p.m., Dimond Branch Library, 3565 Fruitvale Ave. Tonight's installment of a six-part series is an overview of the Affordable Care Act and how it impacts small businesses. Presenters will discuss key provisions of the Act, individual mandates, employer shared responsibility, reporting requirements, penalties, costs, taxes and fees, and state exchanges. Presented by the Alameda County Small Business Development Center. For information or to register, please contact Rebekah Eppley at [reppley@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:reppley@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 482-7844.

***YouthTechOAK Roundtable*** – Tuesday, October 22, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Hub Oakland, 1423 Broadway. Come join BlackGirlsCode, Hidden Genius Project, Level Playing Field Institute, Kapor Center for Social Impact, Hack the Hood and Oakland Local for a discussion about how

we can change Oakland youth of color's access to tech jobs and tech entrepreneurship. For more information, please visit <https://youthtechoak.eventbrite.com/>.

***Speak Beauty to Power Art Exhibit*** – Tuesday, October 22 to Friday, November 22, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Oakland City Hall, 3rd Floor Rotunda, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Hannah Wuebkenberg and Karen Balos will exhibit their art. The opening reception will be held on Thursday, October 24 from 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. For more information, please call (510) 444-CITY.

***Tales from Asia with Clara Yen*** – Wednesday, October 23, 10:30 a.m., Asian Branch Library, 388 9th Street, Suite 190. Renowned storyteller Clara Yen, author of *Why Rat Comes First: A Story of the Chinese Zodiac*, will regale with stories that will keep the audience on the edge of their seats. For more information, please contact Dayni Kuo, Librarian II, at [dkuo@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:dkuo@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 239-3400.

***7th Annual Trade Expo*** – Wednesday, October 23, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Event Center, 2121 Harrison Street. Hosted by the East Bay Rental Housing Association, the event will offer presentations and information that combines real world investment property experience with practical advice and tools. For more information, please visit [www.ebrha.com](http://www.ebrha.com).

***Estate Planning Class*** – Thursday, October 24, 10:00 a.m., West Oakland Senior Center, 1724 Adeline Street. Seniors can obtain information about estate planning during this event sponsored by the Alameda County Commission on Aging. For more information, please contact Dorothy Poston, Senior Center Director, at [dposton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dposton@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7017.

***Oakland Fire Department's Firefighter Memorial Service*** – Thursday, October 24, 1:00 p.m., Ogawa Plaza Amphitheater, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, in front of City Hall. The Oakland Fire Department (OFD) will be hosting its Firefighter Memorial Ceremony to commemorate and pay tribute to Oakland firefighters who have made the ultimate sacrifice and lost their lives in the line of duty. The ceremony will be followed by refreshments served in the first floor lobby of City Hall. OFD plans to hold this ceremony annually. For more information, please call (510) 213-5370.

***Oakland Community Night with the Golden State Warriors*** – Thursday, October 24, 7:30 p.m., Oracle Arena, 7000 Coliseum Way. The City of Oakland's Neighborhood Services Division and the Golden State Warriors invite Oakland residents to attend the Oakland Community Night event at the Oracle Arena. When neighbors know each other, neighborhoods are safer. Bring your neighbors, family and friends to cheer on the Warriors as they take on Oakland native Damian Lillard and the Portland Trailblazers. To purchase discounted tickets and avoid taxes, surcharges and fees, visit [www.warriors.com/oakland](http://www.warriors.com/oakland) and use the password: WARRIORS. Ticket purchases must be made by Wednesday, October 23. Groups of 15 or more are eligible for additional benefits that include an opportunity to high five the players, stand on the court with the players during the national anthem or sit courtside for pre-game warm-ups. Participants must be between the ages 5 and 18. For more information, please contact Nick Smith at [nsmith@warriors.com](mailto:nsmith@warriors.com) or (510) 986-2247.

***Buried in the Body*** – Thursday, October 24 through Saturday, October 26, 8:00 p.m., Uptown Art Park, Telegraph Avenue at 19th Street. Ragged Wing Ensemble's 4th annual fall festival show featuring an original play and immersive installations. For more information, please visit [www.raggedwing.org](http://www.raggedwing.org).

***The Artists Are Present*** – Friday, October 25, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Pro Arts, 150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Pro Arts' fall fundraiser sets the stage for interactions with artists. Enjoy an open bar, tasty treats, music by DJ Eric Rukis and mingling with artists. For more information, please visit [www.proartsgallery.org](http://www.proartsgallery.org).

***Sinful Science*** – Friday, October 25, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m., Chabot Space & Science Center, 10000 Skyline Boulevard. Are our brains wired to form habits around vice? Explore indulgence and discover the motivation and benefits of vices. Enjoy music, wine and beer. For more information, please visit <http://www.chabotspace.org/sinful-science.htm>.

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, October 25, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., At Thy Word, 8915 International Boulevard. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

***Movies at Studio One*** – Friday, October 25, 8:15 p.m., Studio One Art Center, 365 45th Street. Enjoy a free screening of "Paranorman." For more information, please call (510) 597-5027.

***Champions for Children 2013 5K Walk & Run*** – Saturday, October 26, 8:00 a.m., Lake Merritt, Edoff Memorial Bandstand, Bellevue Avenue. To raise funds and awareness for programs that serve students at under-resourced schools in Oakland, Faith Network of the East Bay will host its third annual 5K Walk/Run. The kickoff will feature the Skyline High School Jazz Band plus calls to action from OUSD school officials, community leaders and volunteers. Prizes will be awarded for top fundraisers, and best runner times. For more information and to register, please visit <http://5k.faith-network.com> or call (510) 836-5100.

***College Bound Workshop*** – Saturday, October 26, 9:00 a.m., Acts Full Gospel COGIC, 1034 66th Avenue. Learn helpful college financial planning tips for college-bound students and their parents plus social guidance and mentoring resources. For more information and to R.S.V.P., please contact Sandy Claybrooks at (510) 567-1300.

***Port of Oakland Good Neighbor Breakfast*** – Saturday, October 26, 9:00 a.m. - noon, Cypress Mandela Training Center, 2229 Poplar Street. The Port of Oakland invites you to its Good Neighbor Breakfast for a morning of information exchange. Meet the Port's new Executive Director, Chris Lytle, and hear updates and answers to your questions. If you have a question

you would like addressed, please note it when you register. For more information and to register, please visit <http://portfoakland.eventbrite.com> or call (510) 627-1135.

**27th Annual Halloween Celebration** – Saturday, October 26, 9:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Piedmont Avenue. The Piedmont Avenue Merchant Association has a day packed with fun activities including free cartoons at the Piedmont Cinema, a costume parade at 11:00 a.m., trick-or-treating candy stations, music, face painting, haunted houses and much more. For more information, please visit [www.piedmontave.org](http://www.piedmontave.org) or call (510) 428-1838.

**Lakeshore Avenue Halloween Parade and Fall Festival** – Saturday, October 26, 10:00 a.m., Lakeshore Avenue. This annual tradition includes trick-or-treating down Lakeshore Avenue, a festive parade that steps off at 11:30 a.m. and a performance of Thriller by Hipline Studio. Face painting and other fun at the Lakeshore Baptist Church, 3534 Lakeshore Avenue. For more information, please call (510) 893-2484.

**Annual Harvest Festival and Silent Auction** – Saturday, October 26, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Sequoia Elementary School, 3730 Lincoln Avenue. Come for family fun. There will be lots of game booths, food, and fun for all, including a bounce house and the Dads' Club BBQ. Bring your friends and neighbors to share in this community event. For more information, please visit [www.sequoiaschool.net](http://www.sequoiaschool.net) or call (510) 302-5026.

**United Nations Parade & Flag Raising** – Saturday, October 26, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Jack London Square flag pole, foot of Franklin Street. Join the anniversary ceremony for the United Nations that includes a flag raising program and a parade of flags from throughout the world. Special guest speakers will commemorate the day. For more information, please visit [www.jacklondonsquare.com/eventDetail.php?United-Nations-Parade-Flag-Raising-251](http://www.jacklondonsquare.com/eventDetail.php?United-Nations-Parade-Flag-Raising-251).

**7th Annual Pumpkin Festival** – Saturday, October 26, Noon - 3:00 p.m., Mountain View Cemetery, 5000 Piedmont Avenue. Stroll through the pumpkin patch meadow. Children can choose a free pumpkin and enjoy five jumpers, a hay-bale tunnel, a balloon artist, face painting, craft table, refreshments and a treat bag. Parents must accompany their children to this event. For more information, please visit [www.mountainviewcemetery.org/pumpkin.html](http://www.mountainviewcemetery.org/pumpkin.html).

**United Neightions Day** – Saturday, October 26, 1:00 - 5:30 p.m., Peralta Hacienda, 2465 34th Avenue. United Neightions Day is a movement towards communitarianism. Hang out with your neighbors, hear stories from local youth, visit the Story Horse and leave a note or participate in the Day of the Dead activities during tours. For more information, please visit [www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org).

**2nd Annual Hella-ween 5 Miler** – Saturday, October 26, 4:30 p.m., Old Oakland, Ninth Street near Washington. The 5-miler is designed to be fun and let people show off their creative side as costumes are encouraged. The out-and-back course is on the streets of Old Oakland, Jack London Square and Uptown. The course will feature two water stops and possibly a "special" stop at Linden St. Brewery. Each Runner will receive a premium, water, electrolyte, fruit,

assorted snacks and two free beers. For more information, please visit <http://www.oaklandmarathon.com/HellaWeen.htm>.

***Kids' Halloween Dance Party*** – Saturday, October 26, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m., Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts, 1428 Alice Street. Dance-A-Vision Entertainment invites children, ages 7 to 11, to a special Halloween Dance Party with storytelling, a costume contest, relay races, photo shoot prizes and more. Every child will leave with a gift bag. For more information, please call (510) 763-5180.

***Spooky Classical Music for Halloween*** – Saturday, October 26, 7:30 p.m., Pro Arts Gallery, 150 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. Join Bay Area Classical Harmonies for an evening of carefully selected spooky classical music. For more information, please visit [www.bayareabach.org](http://www.bayareabach.org).

***Laurel Outdoor Movie Series*** – Saturday, October 26, 8:00 p.m., Ace Hardware Parking Lot, 4024 MacArthur Boulevard. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and warm clothes and enjoy free screenings of “Nightmare Before Christmas” and “Shaun of the Dead.” For more information, please visit [www.laureldistrictassociation.org](http://www.laureldistrictassociation.org).

***Boo at the Zoo*** – Saturday, October 26 & Sunday, October 27, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Oakland Zoo, 9777 Golf Links Road. Teaming up with the Bay Area Science Festival, the zoo hosts this Halloween and science-themed weekend featuring trick-or-treating for kids, a costume parade, up-close animal encounters, spooking interactive stations and a Wildlife Theater presentation focused on creepy crawlly animals. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandzoo.org](http://www.oaklandzoo.org).

***Jack O'Lantern Jamboree*** – Saturday, October 26 & Sunday, October 27, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Children's Fairlyand, 699 Bellevue Avenue. Come in costume and enjoy a spooktacular extravaganza with unlimited rides, parades, goody bags and treat stations for kids, jumpers, arts & crafts, pirate school, costumed characters, special performances and more. For more information, please visit [www.fairlyland.org](http://www.fairlyland.org).

***22nd Annual Children's Halloween Parade*** – Sunday, October 27, 11:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Rockridge District, College Avenue. Join the costumed procession with trick-or-treating along College Avenue starting at noon from the Presbyterian Church, 5951 College Avenue, to the BART station. Explore a pumpkin patch and enjoy storytelling and music. For more information, visit [www.rockridgedistrict.com](http://www.rockridgedistrict.com).

***19th Annual Days of the Dead Community Celebration*** – Sunday, October 27, Noon - 4:30 p.m., Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Craft activities, tasty food, dance and music groups, colorful ofrendas and ceremonia bring the community together for this healing tradition. Watch demonstrations of traditional Mesoamerican arts and cooking and buy goods made by local artisans at the Mercado. For more information, please visit [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org).

***Medicare Open Enrollment*** – Tuesday, October 29, 10:30 a.m. - Noon, North Oakland Senior Center, 5714 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way. An informational presentation by HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program) will discuss changes to the Medicare Plan and

Medicare Open Enrollment that runs through December 7. To R.S.V.P., please call (510) 597-5085. For more information, please contact Mary Norton, Senior Center Director, at [mnorton@oaklandnet.com](mailto:mnorton@oaklandnet.com).

**8th Annual Temescal Trick or Treat** – Thursday, October 31, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., Temescal District, Telegraph Avenue at 51st Street. Kids of all ages and their parents can stroll Telegraph Avenue and trick-or-treat at local merchants. Enter the costume contest at Ruby's Garden. For more information, please visit <http://temescaldistrict.org/>.

**Halloween Fun** – Thursday, October 31, 4:00 - 6:30 p.m., Manzanita Recreation Center, 2701 22nd Avenue. Come enjoy a haunted house (\$1 entrance fee), free face painting, games and prizes. A costume contest will be held at 6:00 p.m. Registration is required for this event. For more information, please contact Marcelina Sanchez, Center Director, at [msanchez@oaklandnet.com](mailto:msanchez@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 535-5625.

**Hacienda Halloween and Harvest** – Thursday, October 31, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Peralta Hacienda, 2465 34th Avenue. Hacienda Halloween is the perfect opportunity to bring the entire family for some good scary fun. Walk down the halls of this old, creaky house; peek into its rooms and see who pops up to enliven the story of California's past. Get a treat or two and, provided you are brave enough to make it to the kitchen, enjoy autumn vegetables and learn how westward migration transformed California's food landscape. For more information, please visit [www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org).

**FM Smith Haunted House** – Thursday, October 31, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., FM Smith Recreation Center, 1969 Park Boulevard. Free to all ages, the annual Halloween Night Haunted House event will feature two floors of ghosts, goblins, zombies, werewolves, vampires and skeletons. It is sure to be a frightening night. Come on out and have a spooky good time. For more information, please contact Lois Gomes, Recreation Center Director, at (510) 238-7742.

**Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk** – Friday, November 1, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., Allen Temple Baptist Church, 8501 International Boulevard. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

**18th Annual 2013 Fruitvale "Día de Los Muertos" Festival** – Saturday, November 2, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., 12th Street between 33rd and 37th avenues. This annual Day of the Dead event brings the community together to celebrate life, love and death with a traditional cultural experience featuring talented artists, unique craft vendors, retailers and informational service providers plus colorful dance troupes and musicians performing in Fruitvale Village. Every year, the highlight of the event is the sacred altars and memorials. For more information, please visit <http://www.unitycouncil.org/dia-de-los-muertos/>.

***Ceasefire Oakland/LifeLines to Healing Night Walk*** – Friday, November 8, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., First Mt. Sinai, 1970 86th Avenue. The City of Oakland and local faith-based organizations are continuing neighborhood Night Walks on Fridays as a way community members can get involved in Operation Ceasefire. These walks are organized by residents and faith leaders in areas where Ceasefire is focused. Volunteers are trained in advance and are accompanied by other volunteers for the duration of the walk. The purpose of the Night Walk is to reach out to communities affected by violence. For more information, please call (510) 639-1440 or email [fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com](mailto:fridaycommunitynightwalks@gmail.com).

***25th Anniversary Season Opening Night*** – Friday, November 8, 8:00 p.m., Paramount Theatre of the Arts, 2201 Broadway. The Oakland East Bay Symphony's 25th Season opens with one of the most inspiring works of the 20th century, and the first piece Michael Morgan conducted as Music Director of Oakland East Bay Symphony, Aaron Copland's American masterpiece, *Appalachian Spring*. For more information, please visit [www.oebs.org](http://www.oebs.org).

***Jack of All Trades Market*** – Saturday, November 9, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Jack London Square, foot of the Broadway. The market will feature a curated mix of local makers, indie designers, antiquers, collectors, artists, start-ups and more brought together by the Treasure Island Flea. This eclectic market will feature one-of-a-kind items, live music and several free D-I-Y workshops for all ages. Visitors can bike, ferry or drive to Jack London Square for the market that will take place on the second Saturday of each month. For more information, please visit [www.JackofAllTradesOakland.com](http://www.JackofAllTradesOakland.com).

Respectfully submitted,

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