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## Carl Bray's Treasured Monument Comes to Life

Have You Noticed a New Sign on Highway 111?



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You may remember the well-known Carl Bray gallery sign that used to stand on Highway 111, fascinating passers-by with its colorful palette shape.

As of this month, and thanks to the passion and efforts of the Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation and City staff, there's a brand new tribute to Carl Bray. The replica sign stands exactly where the artist lived and painted for so many years, while his original sign will soon be displayed inside City Hall – where some of his finest paintings also hang.

Carl Bray was a beloved resident of Indian Wells, as well as a railroad employee and painter of the "Smoke Tree." Desert scenes, more than 13,000 featuring smoke trees, were his trademark as a landscape painter — and he painted train scenes as well, throughout down times working for the railroad.

As Bray's paintings gained global attention, his Indian Wells gallery quickly became a gathering place for that group of landscape artists now known as the Smoke Tree School. Their works are highly valued by collectors today.

Carl Bay passed away in Banning, California on July 23, 2011, at the age of 94 years, but his artistic legacy endures. The new Carl Bray monument sign is a tribute to a man whose paintings are prized for their blue collar mysticism, lonely freight trains, and glowing smoke trees. His home and work are examples of pure desert Americana, now rooted in Indian Wells.







# CODE ENFORCEMENT CONCERNS? PLEASE LET US KNOW!

When issues related to code enforcement arise, we want to hear from you. That's why the City offers a convenient channel for residents to communicate their concerns to City Hall via the online Citizen Complaint form. The form provides you with easy access to report any code violations in your area, such as vacant lot dust control, fire hazards, excessive noise and other concerns and potential infractions as per the City's municipal code. Simply log on to <code>www.cityofindianwells.org</code> and click on the Citizen Complaint form in the "Popular Links" section and fill out the form. You may also send an email to codeenforcement@indianwells.com. A City staff member will contact you within 24 hours (excluding weekends and holidays) Monday-Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.



#### Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation Announces Annual Meeting Details

The Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation will hold its 13th Annual Meeting from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 6. The gathering will feature year-end reports and introduction of the Board and officers for 2015-2016, along with a presentation on Reflections of Carl Bray: Indian Wells Past Resident and "Painter of the Smoke Tree." All members and friends of historic preservation are invited to attend the event, which will take place at the Indian Wells Resort Hotel. Please reserve by December 2, contacting Adele Ruxton at (760) 346-8420 or ARxtn@aol.com.

## MODERNISM WEEK SET FOR FEBRUARY 11-21, WITH DATES ANNOUNCED FOR NEW INDIAN WELLS SIGNATURE EVENTS

Modernism Week's 11th annual celebration of mid-century modern design, architecture, art, fashion, and culture will take place February 11-21, 2016 and will feature more than 100 events including tours of iconic homes, architectural walking, biking and double-decker bus tours, lecture and film series, nightly parties, live music events, Modernism Show and Sale, tours of the Annenberg Estate at Sunnylands, a Palm Springs Walk of Stars dedication for architect Richard Harrison, vintage fashion, classic cars, garden tours, a vintage travel trailer exhibition, and Modern Giants - a celebration of the area's largest collection of mid-century modern commercial buildings at Eisenhower Medical Center. Save the dates for Indian Wells and celebrate by attending the first-time Casa Dorado Tour, Sunday and Monday, February 14-15, 2016 and the Second Annual Indian Wells Signature Home Tour on Friday, February 19, 2016. Visitors from 49 states and 11 foreign countries attended last year's event, when Modernism Week attendance reached 59,500, up more than 30% from the 2014 celebration. For other Modernism Week events and to purchase tickets, please visit the event website at www.modernismweek.com.





Killer Heels:

The Art of the High-Heeled Shoe

A famed exhibition which made history at Brooklyn Museum earlier this year is now capturing crowds at the Palm Springs Art Museum. Presented through December 13, 2015, Killer Heels explores the high heel as an object of fashion, film and culture. More than 110 contemporary high heels and 50 historical designs are displayed locally, with an emphasis on the stiletto, wedge, and platform. The sculptural, architectural, and artistic possibilities of the high heel were used to design the exhibition, which

than 50 contemporary designers, including Céline, Chanel, Christian Louboutin, Alexander McQueen, Prada, and United Nude. Other examples include elegant 18thcentury court heels, 19th-century Chinese slippers for bound feet, and iconic 20th-century heel designs by Salvatore Ferragamo, Delman, and Roger Vivier for Christian Dior. For further

includes a selection of extraordinary high heels by more

information, visit www.psmuseum.org/ palm-springs/exhibition/killer-heels-artthe-highheeled-shoe or call the museum

at (760) 322-4800.



#### **BNP PARIBAS OPEN NOW RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR 2016 TOURNAMENT**



Every year, more than 1,200 volunteers come from across the country to support the BNP Paribas Open, checking tickets, transporting the world's best tennis players, providing directions and much more. Indian Wells residents can experience this behind-the-scenes

excitement for themselves, as the next BNP Paribas Open – to be held March 7-20, 2016 at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden – is now recruiting volunteers for next year's event. Volunteers are needed to staff numerous positions, with ushers being the largest committee, providing directions and checking tickets for fans on all nine match courts. Besides enjoying lifelong memories, volunteers receive an official FILA uniform, a guest credential, a complimentary program and additional benefits.

Those interested in joining the BNP Paribas Open volunteer team are encouraged to complete the online application to be considered for the 2016 event. All volunteers are asked to commit to 48 hours of service between Monday, March 7 and Sunday, March 20. For more information about becoming a part of the BNP Paribas Open volunteer team, visit www.bnpparibasopen.com/en/get-involved/volunteer.



This winter will bring expanded new commercial air service to the region, as JetBlue Airways will introduce seasonal non-stop flights between New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) and Palm Springs International Airport (PSP). The new flights will operate five times per week, Thursday through Monday, between January 14, 2016 and May 1, 2016. With the PSP launch of JetBlue service, ten airlines now serve Greater Palm Springs, providing nonstop service from 18 cities that connect to more than 500 global destinations.

In added news for East Coast travelers, Virgin America will continue to serve JFK, beginning this month and continuing every Saturday through April 23, 2016. In addition, Virgin America will be offering nonstop JFK flights every Wednesday from March 16, 2016 to April 2014, and American Airlines is now providing daily non-stop service from Chicago-O'Hare International Airport (ORD). WestJet has increased its service from Toronto and also provides year round, nonstop service from Calgary and Vancouver, as well as seasonal, nonstop service from Edmonton and Winnipeg. Additionally, Air Canada offers nonstop service from Vancouver (YVR) on its leisure subsidiary Air Canada Rouge. The flight will operate on Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays from December 17, 2015 through April 10, 2016.

#### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

What's Happening In and Around Indian Wells



#### Wednesday, November 11: Pay Tribute to Our Military Veterans

This special tribute will take place at 10 a.m. under the white tent in front of City Hall, as we honor Indian Wells military veterans whose names are newly inscribed on the granite walls of the Eisenhower Walk of Honor. Light refreshments will be provided. All Indian Wells citizens are invited to attend; no RSVP is required.

#### **Thursday, November 12: Welcome Back to Indian Wells!**

The City's annual Welcome Back Party is available to Indian Wells citizens holding an advance reservation and valid Resident Benefit Card. Reservations are now being accepted through November 5, online or at City Hall. The event is priced at \$10 per person.



#### Tuesday, December 8: Indian Wells Night at Wildlights

For those who love dazzling lights, hot chocolate and yuletide entertainment, WildLights at The Living Desert will open to the public on November 23, 2015 and will run on selected evenings through December 31, 2015. The illuminated extravaganza offers an annual private evening for residents of Indian Wells, and this year that special celebration is scheduled for Monday, December 8, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Reservations for the residents-only event will be accepted online beginning November 9. To sign up for Indian Wells Residents' Night, you must have a valid Resident Benefit Card. Children under 21 and living in a member's household may also attend if the possess a RBC. For details, please call (760) 346-2489. Priced at \$10, tickets are available on a first-come/first-served basis. Additionally, there are so many terrific WildLights attractions, you may want to return on another evening, so here's an extra perk: as a holder of the Resident Benefit Card, your household is eligible for two free admissions to any other evening of WildLights. Simply stop by City Hall after November 9 during regular business hours to pick up your complimentary pass.



Fireworks Alert The Indian Wells Golf Resort will hold a fireworks display on Monday, November 16. Please remember to leave pets indoors. Thank you.



## THE JOSLYN CENTER SHARES UPCOMING EVENTS

Joslyn Center's new calendar includes several seasonal events which add to its regular roster of activities such as complimentary fitness classes for seniors throughout the week. The Center's new website at <a href="https://www.joslyncenter.org">www.joslyncenter.org</a> provides details on the below special offerings, or call 760-340-3220.



**AARP Mature, Safe Drivers Course:** Friday, November 6 9 a.m.



Veteran's Day Open House and Free Barbecue: Wednesday, November 11 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.



Empowered Planning Speakers Series, Health & Wellness Day: Friday, November 13 9 a.m.-12 p.m.



Emergency Preparedness Event: Tuesday, November 17 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.



**Turkey Trot Harvest Moon Ball:** Thursday, November 19 2 p.m.-4 p.m.



**Fiesta Ball:** Thursday December 3 2 p.m.-4 p.m.



Empowered Planning Speakers Series, The Ins and Outs of Medicare and HMOs: Friday, December 4 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m.



Annual Holiday Party: Thursday, December 17 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Joslyn Center is open Monday through Saturday and will be closed during the upcoming holiday periods of November 26-28 and December 24-January 4.

#### SAVE THE DATE!









#### Desert Town Hall Ticket Lottery Date Announced

Save the date of January 4 for the Desert Town Hall lecture series ticket lottery. A valid Resident Benefit Card is needed to enter the lottery, with one lottery entry allowed per card household. A maximum of two (2) tickets per household will be issued. Each lottery winner receives two tickets to attend one of the speaker events, and winners are determined by a random drawing.



## Experience the Wonders of SUNNYLANDS

The City of Indian Wells has arranged the next private resident tour of Sunnylands, to take place on January 13, 2016. This annual tour, which is available exclusively to those who have not attended prior City tours, will encompass the historic estate, center and gardens (<a href="https://www.sunnylands.org">www.sunnylands.org</a>). Advance paid reservations will be accepted beginning on December 7. Tour-goers must pay in person at City Hall. Please note that you will need to provide your own transportation to and from Sunnylands, which is located in Rancho Mirage.



#### Meeting Schedule

This month's City Council Meetings are scheduled for Thursday, November 5, 2015 and November 19, 2015, 1:30 p.m. For further information on commission and committee meetings, please see the monthly calendar at <a href="https://www.cityofindianwells.org/cals/default.asp">www.cityofindianwells.org/cals/default.asp</a>.

All City Council, Housing Authority, Special Meeting agendas and associated staff reports are available for download in PDF format at <a href="https://www.cityofindianwells.org">www.cityofindianwells.org</a> no later than noon on the Monday prior to meeting date. Printed versions may be obtained in the reception area at City Hall.

City Council Meetings are broadcast live, and are also archived for later viewing in video and MP3 format at *www.cityofindianwells.org*. You can also watch Council Meetings on IWTV (Time Warner digital channel 122 and Verizon FIOS channel 32).

For information on Mayor's office hours, please call City Hall, (760) 346-2489 City Hall Holiday Closures: November 11, November 26 and 27

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GRILLE & BAR

VUE Grille & Bar will host two special dining events this month, including a night of wine and fine food, and a day-long Thanksgiving Holiday Buffet. Please reserve early for these two popular activities.

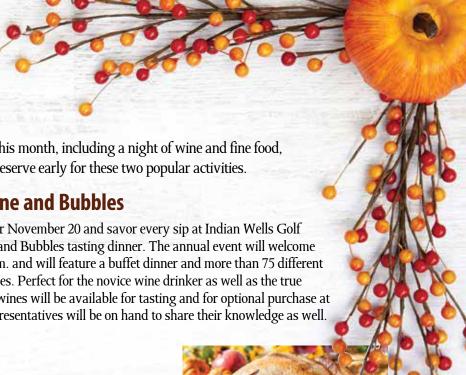


#### **November 20: Wine and Bubbles**

Mark your calendars for November 20 and savor every sip at Indian Wells Golf Resort's upcoming Wine and Bubbles tasting dinner. The annual event will welcome diners from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and will feature a buffet dinner and more than 75 different wines from 20-plus wineries. Perfect for the novice wine drinker as well as the true aficionado, the evening's wines will be available for tasting and for optional purchase at special prices. Winery representatives will be on hand to share their knowledge as well.

#### **November 26: Thanksgiving Buffet**

VUE Grille & Bar has announced details of its 2015 Thanksgiving Buffet, presented from noon to 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 26. This very special feast will offer holiday wine savings in addition to the grand buffet, which will feature freshly-carved turkey, roast beef and ham served with all the trimmings including mashed potatoes, stuffing and more -- plus added salads, sides, seafood and a selection of all-American desserts. Please reserve in advance at (760) 834-3600.







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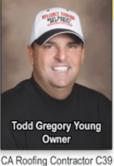






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