



# HEART OF THE CITY

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Fridays, 2:00 p.m. Length: 60 minutes

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Granicus powers the City's ability to provide live and on-demand streaming content over the web.

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## **Come Ride The Surf Bus!**

Board the Long Beach Surf Bus for a day of sun and fun in Huntington Beach.



Kids ages 5 to 17 will be picked up at one of 19 locations at Long Beach parks, and taken down to Seapoint in Huntington Beach for **FREE** surfing lessons once a week for five weeks. The program begins the week of July 21-25 and runs through the week of August 18-22.



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Web-Based Content Management

Residents and businesses increasingly demand improved access to all aspects of City government. The City's customers expect information to be accurate, up-to-date and available 24/7/365. Moreover, customers demand to quickly and easily find the answers to their questions without having to fathom the City's internal structure.

The City of Long Beach uses Civica Software to manage the content of its website. This software enables individual departments to ensure their specific information is timely — while simultaneously ensuring the creation of an integrated Citywide website.

The software comprises these components:

- a database
- the Civica Administration Module and
- the Civica Content Management System, which allows for storage and access of data through custom Web-based templates

Removing a potential bottleneck of updated information, this software allows departments — without the need for key personnel with specialized technical skills — to easily organize and manage their information.

[www.civicasoft.com](http://www.civicasoft.com).

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The library does not provide wireless cards so patrons will need to bring computers that have built-in WiFi or will need to install a WiFi network card. In addition, there are currently no printing services available to wireless users.

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- Councilmember Suja Lowenthal talks with Phil Hester, Sidney Cramer and park visitors about the grand re-opening of the Bixby Park Band Shell.



### **Rancho Los Cerritos Hosts FREE Outdoor Concerts**

Catch the sweet sounds of summer in the tranquil gardens of Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site during the 2008 Rancho Summer Concert Series. The concert series will be bringing a variety of musical styles that are sure to entertain guests of all ages. This four-concert series is free to all and will feature solid rhythms by the Wartime Radio Revue, the smooth jazz ballads of Lauren Koval, the big band music of Sharp Sounds, and folk songs of the Great Depression by singer/songwriter, Ross Altman.

Kicking off the series will be one of the most popular local swing bands in southern California, the Wartime Radio Revue, performing on Sunday, July 13. Dance away to such hits as "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and "Chattanooga Choo-Choo" as they intersperse the hits of the thirties and forties into their performance. Listening to this band is like taking a time machine back to a World War Two U.S.O show. Add that to their "armed-forces style" khaki-colored uniforms, and it's all there!

Transition from the swinging beats of the Wartime Radio Revue to Lauren Koval as she takes the stage on Thursday, July 31. "Vocalist Lauren Koval is one of the better singers of classical Jazz today", says LA Jazz Scene. Her graceful and elegant performance and striking stage presence will captivate audiences from the first note through the last.

Big Band music is back as Sharp Sounds takes listeners into the tradition of Basie, Ellington, Shaw and other jazz greats on Sunday, August 10. This 8-piece jazz band will make you want to put on your dancing shoes and swing to their lively sounds. Ending the series, on Thursday, August 21, singer/songwriter Ross Altman will embody the tradition of Woody Guthrie, whose influence was immense as he influenced folk singers that graced the Greenwich Village coffee shops – Bob Dylan, Phil Ochs, and Tom Rush. To uphold Guthrie's musical tradition, Ross Altman will perform topical folk songs of the Great Depression--a decade of hard times and revolutionary change.

The concerts are free and open to the public and will run from 6:00-7:30 PM. Gates will open at 5:00 PM. For your own comfort, we encourage you to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site, in conjunction with Friends of Rancho Los Cerritos, has been presenting free neighborhood concerts as part of the museum's dedication to fulfill its commitment to the community. The site's educational programs and community events are committed to providing inspiration and joy for people of all ages. For more information, please contact Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site at (562) 570-1755 or visit us at [www.rancholoscerritos.org](http://www.rancholoscerritos.org).

2008 Rancho Summer Concert Series  
Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site, 4600 Virginia Road, Long Beach  
(located northwest of the intersection of Long Beach Boulevard and San Antonio Drive)

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- Sunday, July 13, 2008 – Wartime Radio Revue
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The Event is Free and the museum will be open for self-guided tours during the concerts. This event is supported by Friends of rancho Los Cerritos, Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site, and the Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation, & Marine. The rancho is open to the public Wednesday-Sunday from 1-5 PM. For information, please call (562) 570-1755 or visit [www.rancholoscerritos.org](http://www.rancholoscerritos.org).

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The City of Long Beach has initiated an e-Government strategic planning project to support the goals of the Community Strategic Plan. The focus of these goals centers around the City's desire to improve communication between the City and the community, provide remote access to information and services 24 hours a day, seven days a week, decentralize City services, foster economic development, and improve the responsiveness and accountability of government.

The Technology Services Department is committed to facilitating the implementation of the e-Government strategic plan by developing standards for payment and accounting of e-Government transactions, interfacing with new and existing systems, system content to provide effective customer access, and updating, retaining, and archiving content.

e-Government Executive Summary

The [e-Government Executive Summary](#) (.pdf, 195.7 KB) outlines the City's plans to:

- improve communication between the City and the community
- provide remote access to information and services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- decentralize City services
- foster economic development
- improve the responsiveness and accountability of government
- reinforce community ties among the City's diverse neighborhoods

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### **City Councilmembers discuss timely issues with City staff and community leaders.**

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