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April dinner at the home of new Board members, Linda and Burton Young



Museum volunteers prep for return of events.



Live Events Return to Museum

SUNDAY SUPPERS, MOVIES & NBB4OC ON TAP



history

By **Pete Weitzner** – Balboa Resident and Co-Producer, “The Golden Age of Newport Harbor”

In another oh-so-welcome sign of life returning to normal, live events are back in a big way at the Balboa Island Museum Newport Beach.

“Really missed the live events,” Museum Executive Director Tiffany Pepys Hoey said. “They bring people in, they learn, become engaged in the community and with the museum.”

Some dates are still being confirmed, but the popular Sunday Suppers will be a fixture in the event lineup starting July 18 with “No Time to Siesta, Let’s Fiesta!”

“Extremely popular first year we opened, always sold out,” Hoey said.

Hoey plans to screen classic surf movies this summer at the museum’s 210 Marine Avenue location and will resume hosting authors, speakers, and panels.

Among the speakers this fall, in a jointly hosted event at Newport Beach Public Library, is Tom Stillwell. Ten years ago, Stillwell created the popular Facebook group, “I grew up in Newport Beach BEFORE it was the OC” (NBB4OC). The group counts more than 20,000 members. Stillwell and his FB friends will be in their hometown for NBB4OC’s 10th-anniversary celebration, October 23 at Corona del Mar State Beach.

As live events return full throttle, it’s noteworthy that Pepys Hoey and her staff kept the Museum doors open throughout the lockdown – curbside and online. The museum also managed to hold a few events offsite in the past year – the sold-out premiere of its first film, “The Golden Age of Newport Harbor,” last September at Balboa Yacht Club (BYC). And in April, new board members Linda and Burton Young hosted a dinner at their Dover Shores home overlooking the Back Bay.

In May, the Museum staged “Party on the Ferry.” Seymour and David Beek provided the vessel for about 60 Museum members, the harbor provided the

scenery, and longtime Newporter Tim Mang provided the inside stories of when Hollywood stars romped in Newport’s waters and watering holes.

Museum Road Show

Thanks to a generous \$10,000 grant from The Exchange Club of Newport Beach, the museum’s education duo, Celeste Dennerline and Tiffany Pepys Hoey, are developing a program to teach the history of Newport Harbor in our local schools. The program will address the 3rd grade framework adopted by the CA State Board of Education and will provide a multi-media presentation and an eight-page activity booklet for students.

The Exchange Club is the oldest, nonprofit service club in Newport Beach. They have donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to promote community youth programs, Americanism, prevention of child abuse, and support for our military. The museum is very grateful for their kindness and enthusiasm for this project.

The museum is up to ten exhibits at the main branch of the Newport Beach Public Library, at 1000 Avocado Avenue. And membership just zoomed past the 500 mark.



Visit Balboa Island Museum Newport Beach – enjoy one of these upcoming events and discover Newport Harbor’s rich history. Monday – Thursday 10am to 4pm, Friday – Sunday 10am to 5pm. Free general admission. Become a member: balboaislandmuseum.org/become-a-member.