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Best School

Pali High – Pacific Palisades

Pacific Palisades Charter High School was one of only six LAUSD middle and high schools in the state to be chosen as a California Distinguished School for 2005. No wonder there's a waiting list to get in. Go dolphins!



15777 Bowdoin Street Pacific Palisades 310-454-0611

Best Place to Get Married Bel Air Hotel

Even the most die-hard commitment-phobes will find it hard to resist the lush surroundings of the Bel Air Hotel; particularly the famous swans gliding effortlessly along the canal near the gazebo.

701 Stone Canyon Rd. Bel Air 310-472-1211

Best Art Gallery Leslie Sacks Fine Art Brentwood

From Picasso to Lichtenstein, to Warhol, Leslie Sacks Fine Art carries some of the finest etchings, paintings, prints, and sculptures west of the Googenheim. The tastefully designed store actually feels like a museum when you walk in.

11640 San Vicente Blvd. Brentwood 310-820-9448

Best Florist

Moe's Flowers

West Hollywood

Looking to wow your sweetie? Moe's doesn't just do the typical flower bouquets; they put together the most creative arrangements in L.A. If you're trying to score points for all those birthdays and anniversaries you forgot, Moe's Flowers can wipe away your sins.



8101 Melrose Ave. West Hollywood 323-653-5444

Best City Council

West Hollywood

Never boring, they passed the nation's first law against de-clawing cats. Of course, even the best stumble. Their Santa Monica Blvd. beautification project went over budget and tied up traffic for over a year; all for a few palm trees.

8300 Santa Monica Boulevard West Hollywood 323-848-6400

Best Way to Get Kids to Read

Beverly Hills Library

Kids in Beverly Hills will be reading more than Harry Potter this summer thanks to the library's Summer Reading Club (from June 24 to August 21). When children complete 8 book reports, they earn a certificate. Those who earn a certificate will be invited to the special Summer Reading Club party on Sunday, August 28.

444 N. Rexford Dr. Beverly Hills 310-228-2211

Best Political Activist Wendy Rosen - Brentwood

If there's a cause that needs defending, Wendy is on the front line. She is the leader of the Canyon Back Alliance, serves on the Board of The Nature of Wildworks, and is the president of the Upper Mandeville Canyon Homeowner Association.



www.canyonback.org

Best Councilman

Bobby Shriver – Santa Monica

Conflicts with the city's hedge laws originally drew this Shriver into politics, now the freshman city councilman most passionate the homeless passionat

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