

VENICE GARDEN & HOME TOUR 2010

FACT SHEET

WHAT: The **Venice Garden & Home Tour 2010, Saturday, May 1** showcases unique and creative gardens and homes that reflect the individual and trend-setting tastes of their owners as well as the talents of local landscape designers and architects. The **Venice Garden Tour** started 16 years ago as an event to benefit the Neighborhood Youth Association's Las Doradas Children's Center in Venice. Neighborhood Youth Association (NYA) was founded in 1906 and has enhanced the lives of thousands of "at-risk" children, youth and their families.

The **Venice Garden & Home Tour** is an exceptional fundraising event:

- For only \$60. (tax-deductible) tour-goers have access to 25-30 homes/gardens—real "value" for tour-goers. Many homes as well as the gardens will be open to tour-goers.
- The Garden Tour will feature homes by major Los Angeles architects and designers including Steven Ehrlich, Jay Griffith, Marmol Radziner, Callas Shortridge, Charles Ward, among others.

WHERE: The **Venice Garden & Home Tour** self-guided walking tour will take participants to the heart of Venice, historic Oakwood and the Milwood, Palms neighborhoods just east of Abbot Kinney Boulevard.

The **Venice Garden & Home Tour** begins at NYA's Las Doradas Children's Center at 804 Broadway, at the corner of Broadway Avenue and Pleasant View, in Venice. Neighborhood parking is available as are shuttle buses, and biking is suggested.

WHEN: The **Venice Garden & Home Tour** will be held on **Saturday, May 1, 2010 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm**, rain or shine.

WHO: Venice landscape designer Jay Griffith and community leaders Linda Lucks and Jan Brilliot conceived the **Venice Garden & Home Tour**. Hundreds of homeowners, volunteers, architects and designers participate in this friendly, community raising, fundraising event that benefits NYA's Las Doradas Children's Center in Venice.

HOW: Tax-deductible tickets are \$60 if purchased in advance, \$70 if purchased the day of the Tour. Children under 12 years of age are admitted free. For information, to purchase tickets, to become a sponsor, or to place an ad in the *Gardens of Venice Source Book*, please call Barbara Baumann, barbarab/events & pr...at 310-821-1857 or email at venicegardentour@ca.rr.com.

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