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WALKABOUT INTERNATIONAL is a non-profit educational group that promotes neighborhood walking in urban, suburban, and rural environments throughout the world. Walkabout publishes a monthly schedule of events; for one complimentary issue call the Walkabout office, located at 2650 Truxtun Road, Suite 110, San Diego, CA 92106-6007, (619) 231-SHOE(7463), FAX (619) 231-9246. Office hours: 10 am to 2 pm, Monday, Wednesday, Friday Internet: www.walkabout-int.org, e-mail: info@walkabout-int.org

Pace Yourself	miles	minutes
	per hour	per mile
Casual	2.5	25
Moderate	3	20
Moderate-plus	3.5	17

Unless otherwise specified, walks start at the time indicated. Walk leaders should arrive at least 10 minutes prior to the start time.

September 2017

40th Anniversary Year!

WEEKLY REPEATING WALKS

These walks repeat every week this month at the same location, day, and time.

MONDAYS

10:00 am

CROWN POINT AREA BECKONS. Start out your week with beautiful scenic views of Mission Bay and nearby homes as a guest leader takes the group on a **moderate to moderate-plus** flat walk for about 2 hours with a pause for coffee or yogurt. Take I-5 to Grand Ave. and go west to Lamont St., turn left on Lamont St., then right on Crown Point Dr. to meet at the west end of the parking lot by the park's southern end restrooms. To use public transit, take the trolley to Old Town and board the #9 bus at 9:10, get off at La Cima Dr. and walk 3 blocks east to the parking lot. Rain cancels. **Kathy L.** (858) 484-0349.

TUESDAYS

7:00 am

SAN DIEGO RIVER PARK TRAIL. In partnership with the SD River Park Foundation "Park Watch" Program, join us in Mission Valley for a **moderate** walk by the river along the north/south paved trails from Fashion Valley Road to Camino Del Este or Qualcomm Way for 4-5 miles round-trip. During the walk we will be reporting any encampments, trash, debris, graffiti or lights out to City and SDRPF. Meet at north entrance of the pedestrian bridge (across from Fashion Valley trolley stop). Rain Cancels. **John N.** (619) 772-8855.

6:30 pm

MISSION BAY SUNSETS. Walk leaves promptly at 6:30. Rain cancels. Enjoy the cooler evening air and beautiful views of Mission Bay! Join us for a flat but fairly fast-paced **moderate to moderate-plus** walk along the shores of Mission Bay. Take I-5 and go west on Clairemont Dr. to meet at the former Visitors Information Center. **Teri E.** (858) 560-0446 or **Jill F.** (858) 292-4231.

THURSDAYS

10:00 am

MISSION BEACH NORTH & SOUTH. Walk the beach or the bay and stop for coffee near the end of this **moderate-plus** or **moderate** flat walk. Meet at the Belmont Park ticket booth off of Mission Blvd. To use public transit, ride the trolley to Old Town, and then take the #8 bus at 9:40 to Mission Blvd. arriving at 9:54, and walk across the street. Rain cancels. **Kathy L.** (858) 484-0349.

10:00 am

SHELTER ISLAND WALK & TALK BUNCH. Join Sandra, Sally and Friends for a **casual+** walk from the Bali Hai Restaurant to the Friendship Bell and back on flat sidewalks (about 2.5 miles round trip; 60-70 minutes including pit stop). Breathe delicious ocean air and enjoy dynamic bay and city views from ships to sea lions. Meet new friends at east end of the island to the right of the Bali Hai by the lamp post and hand rails, where we will stretch for a few minutes. Ample free parking. If you're late, drive down the island and join us along the way. Take the #28 bus and walk approximately 3 blocks to the Bali Hai, Optional eats afterward. Heavy rain cancels. Join us - just for the health of it! **Sally R.** (619) 222-3800.

10:15 am

MORNING STROLL IN BALBOA PARK. Meet at the Senior Lounge across from the Museum of Photographic Arts to walk at a **casual** pace through beautiful Balboa Park for about 45 minutes. Terrain is flat and mostly paved. Stay after for optional coffee. For public transit, use the #7 bus. Rain cancels. **Mary T.** (619) 291-1349.

THURSDAYS (CONT.)

5:30 pm

THURSDAY TROMP. Meet in front of Bookstar in Costa Verde Shopping Center at 8650 Genesee Ave. for a friendly walk'n'talk for about 1½ hours at a **moderate-plus** pace through neighborhoods, parks, and canyon trails all around UTC and UCSD areas. Rain cancels. **Kathy T.** (858) 539-6888 or **Barbara S.** (858) 452-8832.

FRIDAYS

4:00 pm *****NOTE NEW TIME*****

MISSION HILLS MEANDER. Join us for great views and picturesque homes of this old neighborhood on a 1-hour **casual** walk for about 2.5 miles on flat terrain. We will enjoy the late afternoon views. Meet at 1920 Ft. Stockton Dr. From Washington St., go north on Goldfinch St. and west about a mile on Ft. Stockton Dr. Rain cancels. **Stan F.** (619) 222-3447.

SUNDAYS

8:15 am

MERRY GO-ROUND. Start from the carousel in Balboa Park and join us on one of the most scenic walks in San Diego. Our **moderate-plus** walk encompasses the harbor, downtown, Bankers Hill and bridges depending on size of group and mood. Allow 3 hours, which includes a coffee break. To use public transit, take the trolley to 3rd Ave. and C St. At 3rd Ave. and Broadway take the #7 bus at 7:42 or 7:48. Arrive at Zoo Pl. at 8:00 or 8:06. Meet **Rick** in lot near carousel at Park Blvd. and Zoo Pl. (858) 565-7212.

HIKE WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS

Time: TBA

WILDERNESS HIKE. Park on the street in front of the Methodist Church, 2111 Camino del Rio South (west of Texas St.). Be prepared to drive yourself if there are no other carpoolers. Bring lunch, 2-3 quarts of water, sun and rain protection, and lug-soled shoes. **"First timers"** must call the leader. Hikers must be able to keep pace with the group. Check <http://www.walkabout hikes.org> as weather or unusual conditions may cause hike to be moved or canceled.

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Sep 30	Bill: (619) 206-5809 or wa4lrm@gmail.com

MORE GREAT WALKS THIS MONTH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:15 am

BREAKFAST SPECIAL ALONG THE HARBOR.

Let's check out the harbor to see if we can see what's new...tuna catches? sand castles? water parks? navy destruction? We'll meet at the park at the corner of Pacific Hwy. and Harbor Dr. Optional breakfast follows. **Pat's Pals** (619) 469-6223.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: SAN DIEGO RIVER. Hopefully, our feathered friends will be on hand for this 1-hour walk on flat paved terrain **at your own pace** along the river. You can test your legs or bring binoculars and slow down to enjoy nature. Take the I-5 to the Tecolote-Sea World Drive exit and proceed west past several lights. After the light at Friars Rd., watch for the next light, where you'll see the South Shores Boat Ramp sign on your right, but you will turn left onto the old road that parallels Sea World Dr. Bring money for an optional breakfast afterward. **John & Marilyn** (619) 840-5544.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: MISSION HILLS. We'll discover what's new in one of San Diego's oldest neighborhoods on this **moderate** 1-hour walk on flat terrain. Meet **Connie** at Goldfinch St. and Fort Stockton Dr., which is 1 block north of West Washington St. Optional breakfast afterward. (619) 477-8628.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

10:00 am

BALBOA PARK EAST BIRD PARK. Let's take a **casual** 2-mile one-way walk on dirt trails with some steep, but brief up and down through the canyons, returning on public transit. Meet at Bird Park at Upas and 28th St. We will skirt the edge of South Park neighborhood and the golf course. We will take the #23 trail south to Date St. and return by bus route #2. Bring sturdy shoes and cash for bus. Rain Cancels. **Roger L.** (619) 299-0489.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:15 am

LATE BIRDS. For those of us who can't get up in time for the Sunrise Series, **Anna T.** will lead a flat 1-hour walk **at your own pace** around Pacific Beach, followed by an optional breakfast. Take the #30 bus at 6:45 from Old Town, exit at Mission Blvd. Meet in front of Crystal Pier at the west end of Garnet Ave. Rain cancels. (619) 231-7463.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7:15 am

BREAKFAST SPECIAL IN BALBOA PARK. The park is beautiful any time of the year with many paths to explore on this flat walk **at your own pace**. Eating and chatting afterward (Greek?) is optional but great fun. Meet at the carousel on Park Blvd. at Zoo Pl. **Pat's Pals** (619) 469-6223.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: LAKE MURRAY. Walk **at your own pace** for 1 hour on a mostly flat path around the lake. Drive through the main entrance to Lake Murray at the end of Kiowa Dr. off Lake Murray Blvd. Meet in the main parking lot on the left as you approach the lake. Optional breakfast follows. **Betty** (858) 248-3782.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

2:00 pm

BARBER TRACT OF LA JOLLA. Most of the tourists will have departed, so we can enjoy a stroll past storybook cottages, traditional mansions, ultra-modern houses, and former homes of celebrities and civic leaders. Meet at the corner of Marine St. and Olivetas Ave. (1 block south of Pearl St. and west of La Jolla Blvd.) for a **casual-to-moderate**, 1-1/2 hour walk with a few hills. Bus #30 stops on La Jolla Blvd. at Marine St. **Evelyn K.** (619) 461-6095.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: LIBERTY STATION. Meet **Edie** at Womble and Truxtun Rds. for a 1-hour **casual to moderate** walk on flat, paved terrain. We'll walk the arcades to see what new businesses and attractions are being added to this historic location. We'll see such diverse attractions as Historic North Chapel, our own Walkabout office, and numerous art galleries and dance studios. Bring money for an optional breakfast afterward. (619) 222-4396.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:15 am

BREAKFAST SPECIAL ALONG EAST MISSION BAY. Let's take a flat walk **at your own speed** to see the birds, boats, and views. Optional breakfast and chatting follow. Meet on Mission Bay Dr. by the restrooms just south of Clairemont Dr. If the road/parking lot is closed for an event, meet in the restaurant parking lot at Pacific Hwy. and Rosecrans St. to walk along the river or Old Town. Rain cancels or postpones. **Pat's Pals** (619) 469-6223.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: OCEAN BEACH. We will take a **moderate** 3-mile walk visiting the pier to see the surfers and fishermen and then continuing in the Sunset Cliffs neighborhood. To reach our meeting place, take I-8 to the west end, turn left onto Sunset Cliffs Blvd., then turn right onto Newport Blvd. for a block and a half. Meet across the street from the old Strand Theater. Bring money for an optional breakfast. **Fusa** (619) 223-6947.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS. We'll meet at the corner of Kansas St. and El Cajon Blvd to explore these eclectic neighborhoods. Park behind the restaurant at 2900 El Cajon Blvd. for this **casual to moderate** 1-hour walk on flat terrain. Bring money for an optional breakfast afterward. From the south, take I-805 to the El Cajon Blvd. exit and turn left. From the north, turn right onto El Cajon Blvd. until you come to Kansas St. (about 1/2 mile). **Frances** (619) 479-3962.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:15 am

BREAKFAST SPECIAL IN PACIFIC BEACH. Before the crowds arrive, walking in Pacific Beach can be delightful. We'll walk along the ocean admiring the waves on a flat walk **at your own speed** and then return by the same route. Meet at the west end of Garnet Ave. by Crystal Pier. From Old Town Transit Center, take the #8 bus at 6:30. Rain cancels or postpones. Optional breakfast follows, perhaps overlooking the ocean. **Pat's Pals** (619) 469-6223.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: RIVER/MISSION VALLEY. Let's check out our beautiful San Diego River to see how the plants are growing and what's new (or gone) in the valley on this flat, **at-your-own-speed** walk. Meet in Mission Valley parking lot by Jared's at corner of Mission Center Rd. and Camino de la Reina. Optional breakfast follows. **Pat K.** (619) 469-6223.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:30 am

SUNRISE SERIES: MISSION BAY. Let's enjoy the season by the bay on this flat 1 hour **moderate** walk where we can watch for a beautiful sunrise and check out the different birds. Meet at the former Visitors Information Center. From the I-5, take the Clairemont Dr. exit and go west. Optional breakfast follows. **Winnie** (858) 278-4003.

FEATURED TRIPS



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

J. Paul Getty Museum at the Getty Center in LA

Join Marilyn B. and Elaine B. for a fun day visiting the fabulous \$1.3 billion Getty Center, situated on 110 acres in the Santa Monica Mountains overlooking Brentwood. This museum houses changing exhibitions as well as the expanding permanent collection of pre-20th century European paintings, drawings, illuminated manuscripts, and decorative arts in addition to 19th and 20th century American and European photographs. Gardens and terraces throughout provide sweeping views of Downtown Los Angeles, the Santa Monica Mountains and the Pacific Ocean. Engaging talks and tours bring the Getty Center's unique setting and the visual arts to life.

We will start with a 45 minute docent guided tour of the Getty Center site and architecture. Afterward there will be plenty of time for lunch on your own at one of the Center's several eateries and time to visit the gardens and museum exhibitions. This trip includes a lot of walking – please be prepared with comfortable walking shoes and remember to bring your jacket or sweater. We will leave the Walkabout office in Liberty Station at 7:30 am and the La Costa Park and Ride at 8:00 am. Returning to San Diego around 7:30 pm traffic permitting. Snacks and bottled water will be provided.

Two new exhibits: **The Birth of Pastel** focuses most closely on the late seventeenth and early eighteenth century, when pastels began to rival oils – in their variety of color, high degree of finish, and even their scale, as the preferred medium for stately portraits. **Happy Birthday, Mr. Hockney** celebrates David Hockney's 80th birthday and his long and continuing artistic career, the museum presents a selection of highly creative self-portraits made in different media over the past 65 years. The exhibition also features photographic explorations of the 1980's.

Send check for \$59.00 with "Getty Center" on the memo line to Walkabout International, 2650 Truxtun Road, Suite 110, San Diego, CA 92106. Be sure to include a stamped self-addressed envelope. You will be sent the itinerary with the details in mid-September.



SOUTHEAST NEW MEXICO

October 19 - 26 \$899 per person/double occ.

For a truly southwestern experience, come join Walkabout for wonderful walks in southeastern New Mexico, and a bit of Texas, too. You'll fly from San Diego to El Paso, TX where you will be met by leader Dan Haslam for 8 days and 7 nights of interesting walking tours in the southwest, including "Sunshine City" (El

Paso), its parks and sites, and more than a day of touring New Mexico's Carlsbad Caverns NHP. We'll walk into the caves for tremendous sightseeing, enjoy a picnic lunch and remain at an outdoor amphitheater late afternoon to watch thousands of bats ascend from the caverns en route to their evening activities and dinner. It's quite a sight!

Our tour van will venture up to Roswell, NM to investigate the infamous UFO sightings, with a stop at a McDonald's shaped like a flying saucer! We'll also tour the Alamogordo White Sands Missile Site, and head into some beautiful NM mountains for some scenic hiking. We'll visit sites in Las Cruces as well and return to El Paso for your flight home. Air transportation, van travel, 7 nights' accommodations, two meals per day (typically breakfast and lunch) and most admissions are included with this tour, including the services of your tour leader and co-leader.

If you are interested, send a \$300 deposit (nonrefundable once airline tickets are purchased) payable to Walkabout International. Include your name as it will appear on an airline ticket, your date of birth, and email address (or that of a friend) for future correspondence. Trip insurance is not included but is recommended, but don't purchase until you are confirmed for the trip via email. This trip is open until filled, and will be a van tour with not more than 10 people if a 12-passenger van, or 13 people if a 15-passenger van. Qs? danielbhaslam111@yahoo.com



SUNDAY, OCT. 29 WALKABOUT'S 17TH ANNUAL AUCTION & POTLUCK PICNIC!

11 am Walk; Noon Lunch; 1 pm Auction

Just before Halloween, Walkabouts can do some of their own "trick" or "treating" at our organization's 17th annual auction, potluck picnic and yearly meeting to be held in our private ramada along Mission Bay.

This year a featured auction item will be a handmade quilt featuring Elvis Presley being crafted by Donna Farris. Bring your check book as this item will be as popular as "The King" was. And like the crooner, there's only one. But there will be many other goodies as well, promises auctioneer Dan Haslam, including gift certificates, baked goods, and household items. This is the 17th year of our fundraising auction whose proceeds go to support Walkabout International. Guests will enjoy a potluck picnic before the auction and will also hear a brief report about the state of our organization. Prior to the luncheon, there will be a walk from our starting point around Mission Bay, and typically once the auction and lunch are concluded, we'll take another stroll. Our ramada is covered so rain is not an issue. Bring a few donated items for the auction, a potluck item to share and a pick up truck to haul your auction treasures home! Walkabout will provide drinks, cups, cutlery and plates. Come prepared to have a fun afternoon with the Walkabout auction-goers!

SEPTEMBER 2017 WALKS AT A GLANCE

Bold walk start times are those that repeat every week at the same location, day, and time.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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7:15 am Breakfast Spcl: Along the Harbor 8:15 am Merry Go- Round	6:30 am Sunrise: San Diego River 10 am Crown Point Area Beckons	7 am SD River Park Tail 6:30 pm Mission Bay Sunsets	TBA Hike	6:30 am Sunrise: Mission Hills 10 am Shelter Island 10 am Mission Beach 10:15 am Balboa 5:30 pm Tromp	10 am Balboa East Bird Park 4 pm Mission Hills Meander	TBA Hike 7:15 am Late Birds
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UPCOMING WALKS, EVENTS & TRIPS

Please call our office (619) 231-7463 for details about any of the following.

Overnight Trips (all dates are tentative)

SE New Mexico	October 19 - 26
San Antonio Riverwalk	Early December
Baja California, Mexico	February 17 - 23

Events/Walks

J. Paul Getty Museum	September 30
Annual Auction & Picnic	October 29
Joys of Walking Festival	November 11
40 th Anniversary Boat Tour	November
40 th Anniversary Trip Reunion	December
Riverside County/Mission Inn	December 9



JOYS OF WALKING FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 11

Are you getting excited about this event? Have you circled Nov. 11 on your calendar? If not, go and do so RIGHT NOW. In partnership with Scripps Health Foundation, Walkabout International presents: The Joys of Walking-a free festival celebrating 40 years of the wonders of walking in San Diego and beyond. The event will take place at the Corky McMillin Companies event center at Liberty Station.

The master of Ceremonies will be Susan Taylor, former NBC news anchor, now Director of External Affairs at Scripps Health. Keynote speakers will include a Scripps Health Care integrative cardiologist and authors Maggie Spilner with 20 years as Senior Editor of Prevention Magazine and Robert and Martha Manning, authors of two books on the Blissfulness of walking. Maggie Spilner will speak on using walking as an antidote to stress in the modern world. We could all use that!

Following the talks, there will be various walks around Liberty Station. Please plan to find a friend and join us for this exciting event.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE NOTICE

All walks must be submitted by the **10th** of the month before the month of the walk. None will be accepted after that date. For example, the April newsletter is published in March, so walks must be submitted by March 10th. You must e-mail your walks to walks@walkabout-int.org. If you e-mail more than one walk, please leave extra space between each walk.



Please remember that Walkabout International is a non-smoking experience. There is no smoking at the meeting place or during the walk.

WALKABOUT BOARD MEETING

Friday, September 8 at 11:00 am

The monthly meeting will be held at Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Branch Library, Sudberry Room, 9005 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123



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RIVERSIDE COUNTY / MISSION INN

Saturday, December 9

Join Beverly Bruff and Mark Levy for a day trip to Riverside County to three very different destinations. Our first stop will be at the Farmers Market in Temecula. You will have time to wander around the market. There will be local fruits and vegetables, eggs, flowers, plants, crafts and much more. Then we'll head for downtown Riverside to Tio Taco's, a hole in the wall taco shop. It is the backyard that brings us here. It is filled with unique, eclectic art/sculptures from recycled, repurposed material. Truly unbelievable, there is a snake made from a vacuum cleaner hose located in a tree.

From there we will walk to our final destination, Mission Inn, which is a national historical landmark. This four-story, 238 room inn which opened in 1903 as a roadside motel, occupies a city block in the heart of downtown Riverside. Numerous presidents and Hollywood stars have frequented the inn. At dusk, we will experience millions of holiday sparkling lights that transform the inn into an enchanting fairy tale setting. Phone the office to join the interest list.



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Come along with us to spend a few magical days in Baja California. You will be transported via deluxe motor coach right from downtown San Diego to Scammon's Lagoon for three whale watching excursions. The round trip includes two days enjoying the Guadalupe valley's beautiful landscapes, museums, vineyards and Mexican viniculture interlaced with gourmet foods, wine tastings, and glorious sunset views from our hotel in Ensenada before returning to San Diego.



The trip price includes 6 nights accommodation, most meals with one drink each, snacks and drinking water, all visits and excursions mentioned in the itinerary, three whale-watching excursions in Scammon's Lagoon, services of experienced local travel guides, along with taxes and tips. The cost is \$1550/person, double occupancy, with an additional \$300 single supplement. For additional information or to sign up, contact our office at (619) 231-7463 or visit our website at <http://walkabout-int.org>