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1 / Kathy Belsby, Keri Dugan, Danielle Rivas, Tiffany Viale, Renee Pepys Lowe, Kim Day, RexAnn Hill, Molly Davin are all front and center for Balboa Island Museum and annual Western fundraiser.
 2 / Balboa Island Museum sponsored mural project on the south side of Irvine Ranch Market.
 3 / Balboa Island Museum installation at John Wayne Orange County Airport
 4 / Artist of Balboa Island mural, Barbara Abbott

IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT Balboa Island Museum

Membership has its privileges

The Balboa Island Museum (BIM), Newport Beach closes out 2024 announcing record attendance levels and enjoying critical success serving the greater community with events that have entertained, enlightened, and inspired both the young and young at heart. The Museum, founded and led by CEO Shirley Pepys, with executive director Tiffany Pepys Hoey serving as the overall curator and general manager of the non-profit 501-C museum, is open to the public daily, year-round, with no admission charge. Programs, exhibits,

speakers, art shows, educational forums, historical archives, veterans support activities, and social gatherings fill the calendar.

The fourth quarter 2024 at the museum began with the debut of an impressive BIM exhibit curated and displayed on a 130-foot-long corridor wall at John Wayne Orange County Airport in the B-C Terminal. Showcasing the people, the history, and development with iconic scenes of Orange County over some 100 years as archived by Balboa Island Museum staff, the exhibit will run through early 2025.

In addition to the museum partnership with the Arts Commission at the airport, the 2024 Newport Beach Film Festival accepted a museum sponsored film in its every exclusive 2024 Newport Beach Film Festival program. The 90-minute feature film titled "Newport And Me... Seymour Beek," written and produced by Celeste Dennerline, directed and edited by Ed Olen, follows the legacy of the Beek Family, early pioneers of Balboa, through the eyes of local legend Seymour Beek known the world over as the owner of the iconic Balboa Island Ferry, among other significant aspects of Newport Beach life and lore. A sold-out showing at The Regal Big Newport Cinemas, Fashion Island, in mid-October filled every seat raising funds in support of BIM projects in 2025.

Next up, the annual museum fundraiser unfolded on a fall Friday night at The Fun Zone on Balboa Peninsula. Some 200 guests converged for Cowboy Carnival, a western-themed night on the bay catered by Naples Rib Co., with cowboy entertainment, dancing, gaming, and family fun provided by Newport's Elite O.C. Productions led by the talented Linda Young and her exceptional staff of party planners extraordinaire.

In November, a very special project made possible in part with leadership from Balboa Island Museum Board Chairman John Conners will make yet another impressive community debut. The Balboa Island "Mural Project"





The project, years in the making, was funded entirely by individual donors, more than 200 generous citizens.

designed by talented artist Barbara Abbott with a campaign co-chaired by Sue and Lee Pearl joining Georgie Fenton and a committee of dedicated Balboa Island resident-supporters, erected a beautiful glass tile mural on the southwest facing wall of Irvine Ranch Market. The project, years in the making, was funded entirely by individual donors, more than 200 generous citizens. The unveiling drew a large local celebrity audience proud to be offering the community another civic art piece for generations to enjoy.

As 2024 comes to a close, the New Year welcomes more fun for families at Balboa Island Museum. Consider becoming a member of the museum family at large. Annual memberships begin at just \$50 a year. Visit balboaislandmuseum.org or scan the QR code for all the information.



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