



The WESTERNERS

Los Angeles Corral Roundup

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Almanson Court ~ 700 South Almanson St, Alhambra, CA 91801
Social Hour at 5:00 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM

*Christian Rodriguez will present a talk entitled
"The Architectural Significance of El Alisal ~ the Charles F. Lummis Home"*

The Charles Fletcher Lummis Home, called El Alisal, is a beautiful work of architectural art. Christian will speak about and explore the life and enduring legacy of Charles F. Lummis through the lens of this remarkable home, which Lummis designed and built over the course of more than a decade beginning in 1897. It is more than just a residence. El Alisal serves as an architectural manifesto, and it is one of the earliest and most influential examples of the Arts and Crafts movement in Southern California. He will examine the home's lasting architectural significance, arguing for its foundational role in shaping regional styles not only in Los Angeles but across the American Southwest.



Christian is the curator of El Alisal where he handles day-to-day operations, cares for the collection of over 5,000 objects, and develops exhibits and tours that connect the site's history to present-day audiences. He has worked to update how the museum tells its stories, focusing on making interpretation more relevant, topical and critical. He was also involved in the transition of the Charles F. Lummis Home from the management of the Historical Society of Southern California to the City of Los Angeles, helping to ensure that the site, its structures, and its collections remained protected and open.

Menu Choices for 5/13/26 are:

(Beef): Filet Mignon & Scampi, USDA Tender Filet Mignon Slow Roasted with a Balsamic Reduction on the Side, Shrimp Scampi in a Lemon Butter Sauce, or

(Fish): Baked Atlantic Salmon, Seasoned & Topped with a Lemon Butter Cream Sauce and toasted lemon wedge, or

(Chicken): Roasted Herb Chicken, pan seared and oven baked chicken breast in olive oil with a fragrant mix of herbs, spices, garlic, salt and pepper, or

(Vegetarian) Pasta primavera with garlic cream sauce, fresh pasta prepared with a medley of carrots, peppers, zucchini, mushrooms, and green beans.

Please indicate your preference when you reserve for the next RoundUp.

**Free Wine and soft drinks will again be offered to all attendees.
The bar will no longer be open.**

When you receive your order blank in the mail, please indicate your dinner choice and put a check for \$45.00 made out to Westerners, Los Angeles Corral, and mail it to Michele Clark, 226 1/2 Beacon Ave., South Pasadena CA 91030-1702. Walk-ins are welcome but *entrée* choices will be limited to the meal type available. The "late" price is \$50.00.

Or you can pay via Paypal at www.lawesterners.org. Go to the Members Only tab, click on Roundup Store. The general password is oldjoe. Please also you may contact Michele Clark (email at mclark216@earthlink.net) or by telephone (626) 822-1522 and let her know you wish to attend and how you paid.

L.A. Coral Presentations for 2026-2027

June 2026 ~ the Fandango, 5p-9p at the Flight Path Museum at LAX

July 8, 2026 ~ Autry Fellow Lauren White, "The Political Aesthetics of the Freeway in the American West: The Lincoln Highway, Route 66, and SoCal Dedication Ceremonies"

August 12, 2026 ~ Carla Bolinger, "Weapons and Space Rocket Engine Development-Testing at the historic Santa Susana Field Laboratory"

September 9 2026 ~ Michael Patris, "Mount Lowe Railway Then and Now"

October 17, 2026 ~ 10a-4p The Rendezvous at the Jonathan Club in downtown Los Angeles

November 11, 2026 ~ Jared Lo Nigro, "Trains"

December 9, 2026 ~ Brian Dillon, "King Bill and the California Mustang, 1869-1938"

January 13, 2027 ~ Mark Hall-Patton, TBA

Car-Pooling: Many of our older members no longer drive or find night-driving problematic. Please reach out to those nearby and offer them a ride to our monthly RoundUps.

First-Time Visitors: Please don't hesitate to invite non-member friends to RoundUps they might find interesting....first-time visitors qualify for a special, reduced rate for their sponsors.

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