January-February 2011

- 1. Saturday, January 15, 2011, 7:00 9:00pm: ONCE will be showing in the Culver Center for the Arts Screening Room. This 2006 Irish musical film stars real-life musicians Glen Hansard and Marketa Irglova who both won the Academy Award for Best Original song in 2007. This romantic drama seamlessly mixes music and romance into a wonderful story. What better way to spend your Saturday night? Come see what this fabulous new venue has to offer. For more information regarding the Culver Center's programs for the screening room, check out our article in this newsletter.
- 2. **Thursday, January 20, 2011**: *The 34th Mayor's State of the City Address* luncheon will be held at the Riverside Convention Center. The event starts with exhibits from 10:30 to 11:30 and the luncheon & program runs from 11:30 1:00pm. Tickets are available through the <u>Riverside Chamber of Commerce</u> website for \$45.00 per person.
- 3. Thursday, January 20, 2011, 7:00pm: *Poetry of the African Diaspora* will be presented at the Riverside Downtown Library. This event is part of the Inandia Institute's Traditional Poetic Voices of Inland Southern California. A series which features a different local poet each month in conjunction with the monthly Thursday Arts Walk celebrations. This month's featured poet is storyteller, singer, and scholar Karen Wilson ph.D. For more information visit www.inlandiainstitute.org.
- 4. **January 21-23, 2011:** *The Riverside Dickens Festival* will be held at the Riverside Convention Center this year. This year's featured book is <u>Barnaby Rudge</u>. Exciting free events are planned for the entire weekend including plays, exhibits, musical performances, food vendors & educational workshops. Something for every age! Visit the Festival website at <u>www.dickensfest.com</u> for schedules, tickets for the Fezziwig Ball and Pickwick's Pub Night and more information.
- 5. **January 21, 2011, 6:00pm:** *Floating Words Exhibition Opening Reception* at the **Riverside Art Museum**. This exhibit which "re-examines the evolution of Asian prints from the 19th Century to present day", is currently up in the Bobbie Powell & Ross R Devean Galleries. For more information on this exhibit and other events going on at **RAM**, visit their website at riversideartmuseum.org.
- 6. January 22, 2010, 7:30pm: Riverside County Philharmonic: From Indoor Elegance to Outdoor Flamboyance. Come see the RCP as they perform in the beautiful Fox Performing Arts Center. This evening's performance features Violinist Rachel Barton Pine, making a rare West Coast appearance, playing Beethoven's Violin Concerto and other classic violin pieces. Also featured will be guest conductor Alexander Platt leading the RCP for this show. For tickets and more information visit www.thephilharmonic.org.
- 7. **January 28 30, 2011:** *Monty Python's Spamalot* at the **Fox Performing Arts Center**. This 2005, Tony Award winning show comes to Riverside this month. *Spamalot* is an outrageous musical comedy which "lovingly ripped off from the film classic, "Monty Python & the Holy Grail". For tickets and show times visit foxriversidelive.com.

- 8. Wednesday, January 26, 2011, 7:15am: Citizens University Committee Breakfast at the UCR Extension Center. Join this great community group to hear updates on City and University events and this month's feature speaker Dr. Mason Gaffney, Professor of Economics. Dr. Gaffney will be speaking on "Designing a Depression Free Economy" as he shares his views on how to avoid wild booms & busts. For more information regarding dates, times and reservations contact Connie at 951-202-3355 or via e-mail at crransom@prodigy.net
- 9. **Saturday, January 29, 2011:** *Lunar Fest Riverside* will help us bring in the year of the Rabbit with an all day celebration Downtown in front of the Library & the Mission Inn on Lemon Street. Starting at10:00am with a parade and culminating that evening with a fireworks celebration. Throughout the day activities will be taking place celebrating the Asian Pacific community's contribution to Riverside's Heritage. Everything from Taiko Drums to Kabuki, and Martial Arts to Tea Ceremonies will be demonstrated. For more information visit LunarFestRiverside.com.
- 10. Saturday, January 29, 2011, 8:00pm: Classical Urban Sounds: Deniel Bernard Roumain with DJ Scientific will be having a FREE concert at The Culver Center for the Arts. Daniel Bernard Roumain's genre-bending compositions have made him a "darling of the concert hall and club circuit alike". The concert is free, but you must have a ticket, which will be distributed on a "first come, first serve" basis. Go to the Culver Ticket Link to reserve yours today and check out all the other great events and movies going on at the Culver Center.
- 11. Thursday, February 3, 2011: First Thursday's Riverside Arts Walk happens the first Thursday of the month from 6pm 9pm. It is a free community event that celebrates the diversity of the arts and culture of Riverside and the Inland Empire. Visit www.riversideca.gov and click on the Community Calendar for more info on this month's activities.
- 12. **Thursday, February 3, 2011, 7:00pm:** *Indian Poetry and Dance* will be presented at the Riverside Downtown Library. This event is part of the **Inandia Institute's Traditional Poetic Voices of Inland Southern California**. A series which features a different local poet each month in conjunction with the monthly Thursday Arts Walk celebrations. This month there are two featured artists, Su Acharya & Rohini Acharya. For more information visit www.inlandiainstitute.org
- 13. Saturday, February 19, 2011 6:00 10:00pm: 7th Annual Black Tie Bingo at the Riverside Art Museum. Join the Riverside Sunrise Rotary Club for this exciting annual fundraiser. Tickets are \$50.00 per person and include dinner, bingo cards, and fun. For more information and tickets contact Charlotte at 951-237-2044 or via e-mail at mckenzie.cr@gmail.com.
- 14. **Sunday, February 20, 2011, 2:00pm:** *Literary Laureate Event with Susan Straight* at the Riverside Downtown Library. This is a special author reading and discussion event sponsored by the **Inlandia Institute.** Local author Susan Straight will be discussing her newest novel *Take One Candle Light a Room.* For more information about this event visit inlandiainstitute.org.
- 15. Saturday, February 26, 2011, 8:00pm 10:30pm: *Inlandia Laughs* at the Janet Goeske Senior Center for a fun evening of laughs, refreshments and fun as you support the Inlanida Institute. Performers this year include **Dan Bernstein**, Karen Wilson, and Angela Lloyd to name a few. Tickets are \$45.00 per person, for more information visit www.inlandiainstitute.org.

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