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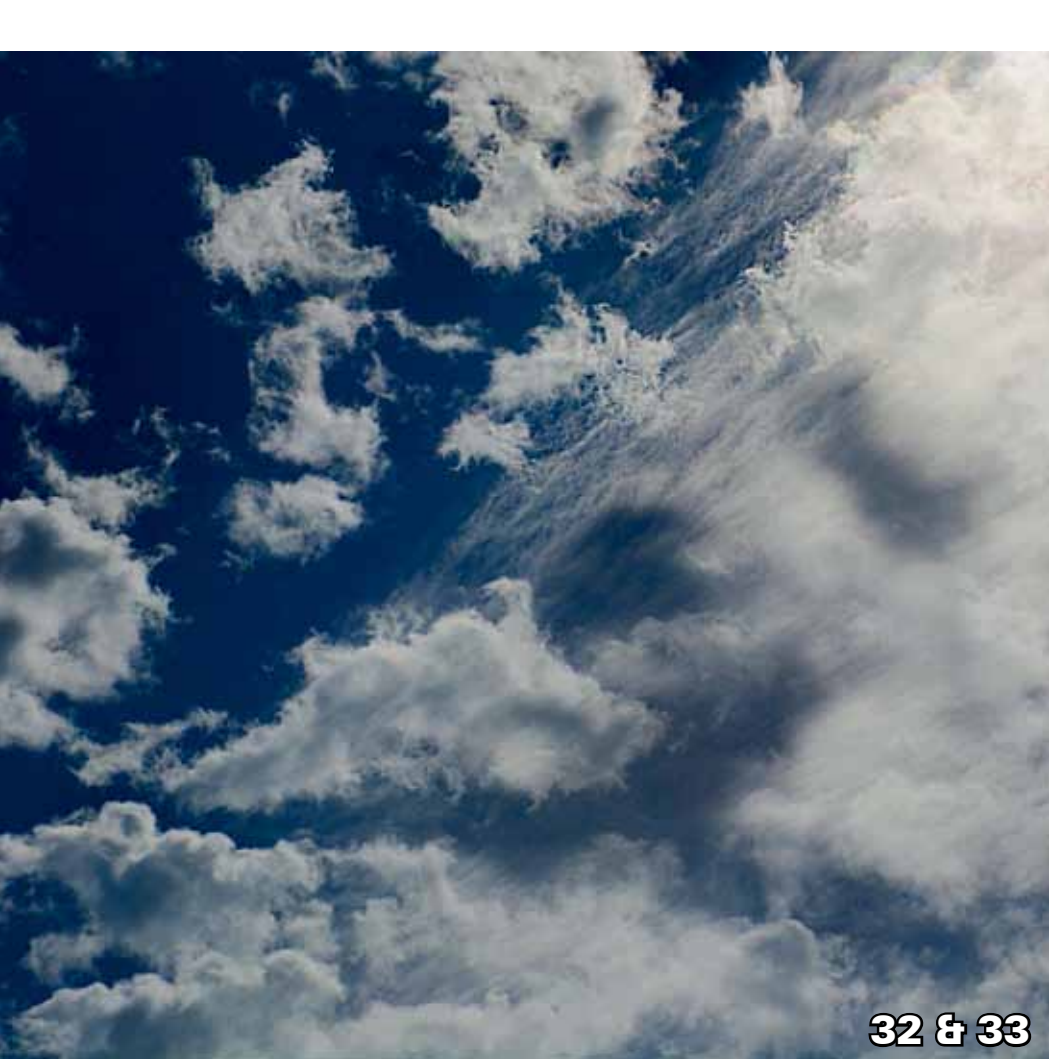


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Pescadero Steps Out Pescadero Sale a Flote

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traducido por Francesca Magallon

Pescadero has lived out its recent history as a sub-delegation of Todos Santos, a sub-branch of government with a sub-delegado. One of the results of this sub-status was a sub-standard park with sub-par playground equipment. Pescadero parents were forced to go to the Todos Santos park for their children to play. Two of those parents, Geovani Macías Maldonado and his wife Rocío Isabel Villalobos Castillo, began campaigning for better park equipment for Pescadero over eight years ago. Today, the movement they started for playground equality has evolved into the push to emancipate Pescadero as its own delegation. Never underestimate the drive of a frustrated parent.

"I started Geovani Papelería 25 years ago, just across from the park," recalls Geovani. "I always mourned the dilapidated state of the playground equipment there, and when Rocío and I started our family, we got focused on getting better equipment for the park." Across the highway

Pescadero ha vivido su historia hasta la actualidad como una *subdelegación* de Todos Santos, una *subdelegación* del gobierno con un *subdelegado* a cargo. Uno de los resultados de vivir en estatus secundario fue el tener un parque deficiente con juegos de baja calidad. Los padres de familia de Pescadero se veían obligados a ir hasta el parque de Todos Santos para que sus hijos pudieran jugar. Dos de esos padres, Geovani Macías Maldonado y su esposa Rocío Isabel Villalobos Castillo, empezaron a hacer labor de campaña para obtener mejores juegos para el parque de Pescadero ya hace más de ocho años. El día de hoy, el movimiento que ellos empezaron para la igualdad en el parque de juegos se ha tornado en el impulso para lograr la emancipación de Pescadero y llegar a convertirse en su propia delegación. Nunca subestimes la fuerza de un padre frustrado.

Geovani se acuerda, "Hace 25 años abrí mi negocio: Geovani Papelería, justo enfrente del parque. Siempre PESCADERO continúa en página 14

Caitlin Allen, Manager of Social Impact at Modern Elder Academy (MEA), was working to determine the most effective way to invest MEA's social impact funds. She and Dra. Alejandra Peña of the Padrino Children's Foundation had conducted a community assessment study in 2022 and their findings mirrored the desires of Rocío and Geovani—almost everyone interviewed in the community had a strong interest in public park spaces with good amenities. Caitlin learned about Rocío and Geovani's efforts and invited them to be part of an advisory group for MEA. They are way beyond that now. Notes Caitlin: "Geovani and Rocío have such drive and passion for improving community life in Pescadero. They have transformed what started as an advisory board into the Citizen's Committee of El Pescadero (Comité Ciudadano El Pescadero). They have created their own logo, their own Facebook page and their own program. Most importantly, they have created an enormously successful project."

Geovani is president of the Citizen's Committee and Rocío is the treasurer. They went to La Paz three times in 2023 to lobby municipal president Milena Quiroga for a play structure for the Pescadero park. "Honestly, we really didn't think anything would come of all these trips to La Paz," they noted. They seriously underestimated their powers of persuasion. Not only did Milena's administration donate a play structure for younger children, but on January 10, 2024 Milena herself came to Pescadero to oversee the installation. It was a hugely exciting day after so many years of effort. This success galvanized the Citizen's Committee of El Pescadero to do even more and they



foto por Mike Brinkman

determined to purchase two more play structures, one for older children in the Pescadero park and one for the Pescadero neighborhood of San Juan. Working with MEA, the International Community Foundation, Pescadero NGO SINADES, Mario Surf School, the Pescadero Bomberos and several other Pescadero businesses and residents they have already raised 62% of the \$650,000 MXN needed to purchase the structures.

On February 24, the Citizen's Committee of El Pescadero hosted a community festival at the Pescadero park with music, food, dancing, and special appearances by Big Bird PESCADERO continued on page 15



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Todos Santos Historic Home Tour

Tour por las Casas Históricas de Todos Santos

by / por Kathy Warnert / traducido por Ivonne Benitez

"I stepped through an ordinary gate off one of the charming streets of Todos Santos and found myself transported to another place and time. Each home, each building, I walked into, I experienced the rich history of Todos Santos." Kim Dee of Los Alamitos, California, a participant of the Todos Santos' Historic Home Tour adds, "I happened to be in town and took the tour. So many exquisite homes and buildings were open to patrons of the tour. This is a great way to learn about the town's past while seeing inside all the beautiful homes. I plan to coordinate this year's trip to be in Todos Santos again."

This year's Todos Santos' Historic Home Tour takes place on Saturday, April 6, from 10 am to 3 pm. This one-day event benefits the educational programs of The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C. Tickets may be purchased on the day of the event at the Centro Cultural located on Calle Benito Juárez. Admission is 300 pesos or \$20 USD. Docents are on hand at each site to offer more information.

This year's coordinator, Paul Bumann says, "We have 29 historic sites including private homes, hotels/inns, municipal

"Pasé por una puerta común y corriente en una de las encantadoras calles de Todos Santos y me encontré transportada a otro lugar y tiempo. Cada casa, cada edificio, entré, experimenté la rica historia de Todos Santos." Kim Dee de Los Alamitos, California, un participante del Tour por la Casa Histórica de Todos Santos agrega: "Se me ocurrió estar en la ciudad y hacer el recorrido. Había tantas casas y edificios exquisitos abiertos a patrocinadores de la gira. Esta es una excelente manera de aprender sobre el pasado de la ciudad mientras ve dentro de todas las hermosas casas. Planeo coordinar el viaje de este año para estar en Todos Santos de nuevo."

El Tour por las Casas Históricas de Todos Santos de este año se llevará a cabo el sábado 6 de abril a partir de las 10 am a 3 pm. Este evento de un día beneficia los programas educativos de La Sociedad de la Palapa de Todos Santos, A.C. Los boletos podrán adquirirse el día del evento en el Centro Cultural ubicado en la Calle Benito Juárez. La entrada cuesta \$300 pesos o \$20 USD. Habrá docentes disponibles en cada sitio para ofrecer más información.

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Bumann adds, "The program book is in English and Spanish, and docents will be available at each site. There is also an optional "Find the Saints Challenge." Todos Santos (translated All Saints) has several statues of saints around town perched in niches on the exterior of buildings. Find and mark all of them on a map and you will be entered in a drawing with the chance to win a commemorative painting

by a renowned artist. It's a fun way to look up and notice all these little treasures around town. Also this year, several restaurants will offer discounts on breakfast and lunch to wristband holders while you are in town for the day.

President of The Palapa Society, Erick Ochoa, sums up, "We love working with all the homeowners and businesses to give visitors and residents an exciting experience to see the history of Todos Santos while benefiting the Palapa Society's students."

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Todos Santos Residents Battle Against Proposed PDU

Los Residentes de Todos Santos Luchan Contra el Propuesto Plan de Desarrollo Urbano (PDU)

by / por Ken Churchill

traducido por Francesca Magallon

On January 31, 2024, the municipality of La Paz released its final proposed Plan for Urban Development (PDU) for approval by the municipal government. While termed an “update,” the proposed PDU represents a stark departure from the decade-old sustainable community-created PDU, replacing it with a plan that would not be sustainable. Throughout the development process citizens and residents voiced strong objections to the drastic changes being proposed.

The original PDU enacted into law in 2012, was developed over five years with extensive community involvement, outlined a sustainable development roadmap, balancing environmental, community, and economic needs. It aimed to distinguish the area from other Baja California Sur destinations, emphasizing its rural heritage, natural landscapes, and the historic center. The result: an oasis with pristine beaches, majestic mountains, and a magical

El pasado 31 de enero de 2024, el municipio de La Paz dió a conocer su propuesta final del Plan de Desarrollo Urbano (PDU), para ser aprobada por el gobierno municipal. Si bien la han denominado una actualización, esta propuesta de PDU se aleja gravemente del PDU basado en una comunidad sustentable creado hace una década, remplazándolo con un plan que no sería sustentable. Durante todo el proceso para el desarrollo de esta propuesta, los ciudadanos y residentes expresaron sus firmes objeciones hacia los drásticos cambios que se proponen.

El Plan de Desarrollo Urbano o PDU original promulgado en el año 2012, se desarrolló durante más de cinco años con la participación extensiva de la comunidad, en él se describió el desarrollo sustentable del mapa vial, equilibrando las necesidades comunitarias, económicas, y ambientales. Su propósito era el de lograr distinguir la zona de otros destinos turísticos de Baja California Sur, enfatizando su herencia
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desert setting, boosting tourism, growing the economy, and improving the local quality of life.

The proposed PDU threatens to “Caboize” Todos Santos, undermining the area’s unique identity, removing many protections for natural resources, and jeopardizing the very thing that made the area an important tourist destination.

KEY OBJECTIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY INCLUDE:

LACK OF RISK ASSESSMENT.

The proposed PDU lacks the required risk assessment to substantiate its proposed growth to 150,000 residents, which is five times the current population.

NO INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN.

There is no tangible commitment to improving existing infrastructure to support rapid growth, especially regarding water and power supplies, but also including schools, health care, roads, waste management etc.

DEVELOPMENT DENSITY.

The new PDU changes zoning regulations to allow increased building height, reduced lot sizes, and greater lot coverage. It permits condos, hotels, etc. in current single-family only areas, doubling the region’s density.

COMMUNITY OPPOSITION.

Citizens and residents voiced their opposition to the proposed changes to the new PDU with a rally and petition drive. Over 1,200 people signed the petition to express their concerns about the process and the proposed changes.

Protect Todos Santos and other community groups are actively highlighting process flaws and community

concerns to urge government officials to reject the plan or to diligently address the proposed PDUs flaws and the area’s needs with substantial input from the community.

THE COMMUNITY IS CALLING ON THE MUNICIPALITY TO:

BASE POPULATION GROWTH ON CURRENT AND ACCURATE RISK ASSESSMENTS.

As required by law, population growth plans must be based on a variety of resources including water, electricity, sewage as well as schools, hospitals, emergency services, roads, and social services.

PROVIDE A REAL PLAN FOR INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT.

The current plan creates growth without any concrete infrastructure plan. There is no commitment to increasing the capacity for the electrical grid to end the rolling blackouts and water delivery infrastructure to ensure people have the water they need.

RESPECT THE COMMUNITIES’ ZONING RULES.

In every zone within the proposed PDU, discretion is given to an outside unnamed “board” to allow exceptions for certain developers/projects, allowing condos and multi-family homes to be built in currently single-family zoned areas.

ESTABLISH THE LOCAL REVIEW BOARD.

The 2012 community-created PDU required La Paz to create a local review board so that building permit applications would be reviewed for compliance before permits were issued, but it was never formed. A local review board should be established by any new PDU.

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El coordinador de este año, Paul Bumann, dice: "Tenemos 29 sitios históricos, incluidos sitios privados viviendas, hoteles/posadas, edificios municipales, la iglesia de la misión y la procesadora de caña de azúcar. Experimente los sitios cuidadosamente restaurados que reflejan la singularidad de los días anteriores antes de la electricidad y el teléfono. Abiertos al público sólo una vez, cada dos años, estas magníficas casas y edificios le permiten sumergirse e imaginar la tranquila elegancia de Todos Santos hace más de un siglo. Asegúrese de traer a su familia, amigos, vecinos, y arquitectos."

Bumann agrega: "El folleto del programa está en inglés y español, y los docentes estarán disponibles en cada sitio. También hay un "Desafío Encuentra a los Santos" opcional. Todos los Santos tiene varias estatuas de santos alrededor de la ciudad encaramadas en nichos en el exterior de los edificios. Encuéntrelos y márkuelos todos en un mapa y participará en un sorteo para ganar una pintura conmemorativa de un artista. Es una forma divertida de mirar hacia arriba y notar todos estos tesoros que hay en el pueblo. También este año, varios restaurantes ofrecerán descuentos en desayunos y comidas a los portadores de la pulsera por el día."

El presidente de La Sociedad de la Palapa, Erick Ochoa, resume: "Nos encanta trabajar con todos los propietarios de viviendas y empresas para brindar a los visitantes y residentes una experiencia emocionante para ver la historia de Todos Santos mientras se beneficia a los estudiantes de la Sociedad de la Palapa."

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me lamenté por el estado tan deteriorado en que se encontraban los juegos de aquel parque, y cuando Rocío y yo empezamos nuestra familia, nos enfocamos en conseguir que el parque estuviera mejor equipado.” Al otro lado de la carretera, Caitlin Allen, encargada del área de Impacto Social en la Academia del Anciano Moderno MEA (Modern Elder Academy), se encontraba trabajando para determinar cuál sería la manera más efectiva de invertir los fondos de esta área de la academia. Caitlin en conjunto con la Dra. Alejandra Peña de Padrino Children’s Foundation habían llevado a cabo un estudio de evaluación comunitaria en 2022 y sus descubrimientos reflejaban los deseos de Geovani y Rocío—casi todos los entrevistados en la comunidad tenían un gran interés en parques públicos con buen equipo de entretenimiento. Caitlin se enteró de los esfuerzos de Geovani y Rocío y les hizo la invitación a formar parte de un grupo de asesores para la academia. Ahora están mucho más allá de eso. Caitlin nos dice: “Geovani y Rocío tienen tanto empuje y pasión para mejorar la vida comunitaria en Pescadero. Han

transformado lo que empezó como un comité de asesores en el Comité de Ciudadanos de El Pescadero. Ellos crearon su propio logotipo, su propia página de Facebook y su propio programa. Pero sobre todo han creado un proyecto enormemente exitoso.”

Geovani es el presidente del comité de ciudadanos y Rocío es la tesorera. Fueron a La Paz tres veces en 2023 para presionar a la presidenta municipal Milena Quiroga para obtener una estructura para un juego para el parque de Pescadero. “Honestamente no pensamos que íbamos a lograr nada con todos estos viajes a La Paz,” nos dicen. Habían subestimado seriamente sus propios poderes de persuasión. La administración de Milena no solamente donó una estructura de juego para niños pequeños, sino que, en 10 de enero 2024, Milena vino en persona a Pescadero para supervisar la instalación de la misma. Fue un día sumamente emocionante luego de tantos años de esfuerzo. Este éxito impulsó al Comité de Ciudadanos de PESCADERO continúa en página 28



photo: Mike Brinkman

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and friends. Part of their goal for the festival was to raise funds and awareness for the park playground project, but the main objective really was to unite the different parts of the Pescadero community. "The highway should not divide us," states Geovani. "There is a lack of communication between the local population of El Pescadero on the eastern, town side of the highway and the foreigners who have made their homes on the western, beach side of the highway. On the eastern side of the highway the population sees low income and limitations, and on the western side of the highway the population sees wealth and opportunity. MEA and the Citizen's Committee of El Pescadero are working together to bring down those divides and create opportunities for the residents of both sides of the highway to come together for common cause, most especially the children."

The name El Pescadero means The Fishmonger and while there are several different versions of how the town got its name, it is generally agreed to be connected to the fact that before the *ejido* started selling the beach-side land to foreigners, most people in town spent a lot of time at the beach fishing, eating lobster, and having picnics. The February 24th Pescadero Community Festival was the first attempt by MEA and the Citizen's Committee of El Pescadero to reunite both sides of the highway around such pleasures.

The Citizen's Committee expects to have the playground project finished by the end of March, and is already reviewing the projects it will tackle next. While the Citizen's Committee does not want to engage in politics, one goal it does have is to rid El Pescadero of its sub-delegation status so that it is more in charge of its destiny. They are optimistic that this will happen in 2024.

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Art Talk

by Jill Logan

WHERE FOOD AND ART MEET

I am a food lover. Well, good food. I love unusual sauces and combinations of fresh clean ingredients. During the Covid lockdown, I dove into two cookbooks by London's famous chef Yotam Ottolenghi called "Plenty" and "Plenty More." Vegetarian recipes with a variety of surprising sauces and condiments.

In February of this year, I had the privilege of having New York chef, Flynn McGarry, cook a five-course meal at the 1980s restaurant. I was eager to attend and was not disappointed, the food flavors were so unique and tasty. As I left that evening, the concierge gave me Flynn's book, "This is Not a Cookbook."

I went home and became immersed in his story. At the age of ten, he started cooking for his family. At age thirteen he cooked on weekends for his family and their friends. One evening, a writer for *The New Yorker* attended and wrote an article about him. When the article came out, his life exploded, and at the age of nineteen he opened his own restaurant called Gem in New York City.

What inspired me about his book was his references to creativity in all mediums; his deep thoughts could be translated into any avenue of creation from writing to painting, to ceramics and sculpture.

I will quote him here extensively.

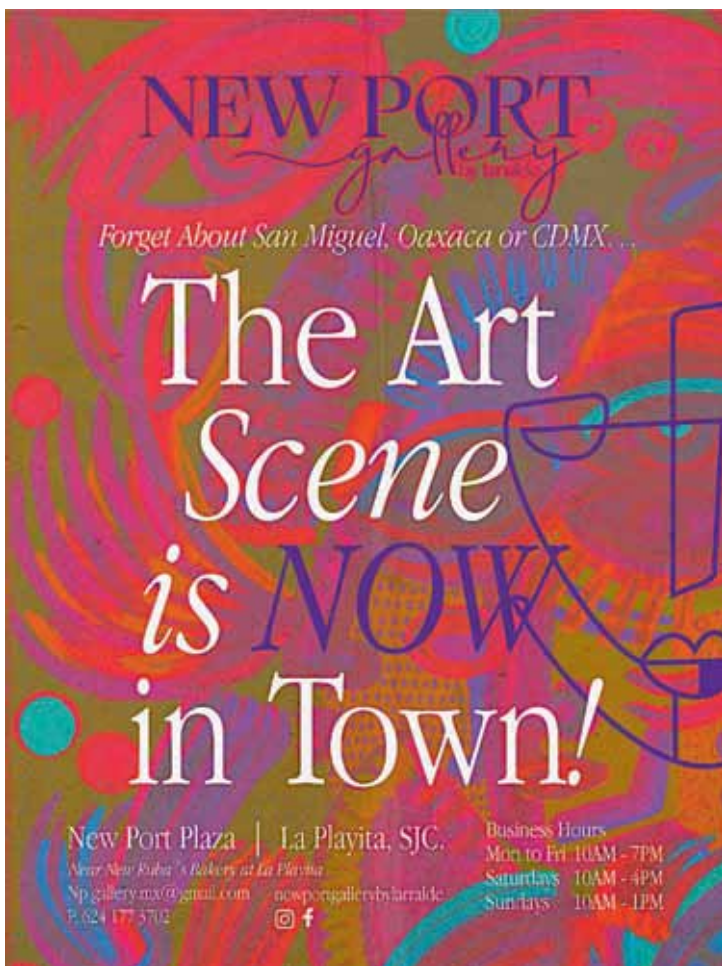
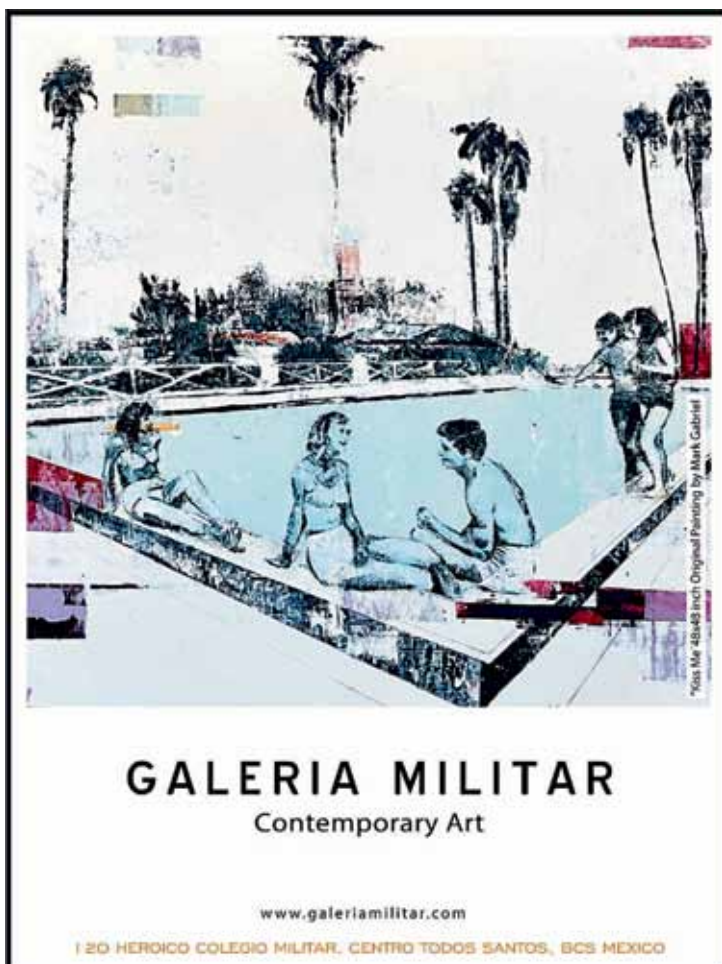
"In many ways, food is related to art and design. All three rely on the same basic principles in the creative process.

These art forms are also influenced by aesthetics. The way you see and experience food can dramatically change the way you enjoy it. Just as observing a work of art in the wrong context can ruin the experience of the piece. As experiencing food in the wrong context can make it hard to appreciate what you are eating."

This is so true about artwork. Presentation is so important and something I became aware of after an art gallery owner from Beverly Hills, looking through my studio in Laguna 30 years ago, stressed. He insisted I treat my artwork as if it was very expensive and worth a lot. I was still in the beginning stages of my career and not sure about my work enough to stack each with cardboard to carefully separate them. My studio was a wild house of canvases and projects.

As a gallery owner I know how the work is presented makes a difference in value to the client.

Flynn also said: "It can take years to realize a creative dream. Having goals and plans is a start. And an equally important part of the creative process involves experimentation and execution. Experimentation gives you the chance to learn more about what you want out of your dreams: execution gives the chance to learn how to achieve your dreams. Together, the two will push your creative ideas forward and let you experience parts of your dreams right now."



As a gallery owner I have been able to experiment with new mediums and ideas. Which seems to be very divergent from the original work I have created but aligns with a deeper soul level I am working on with my spiritual growth. Creating "shimmer" in my art, has been a long-standing idea I have explored. Shimmer as it is created with the right two colors next to each other, or with my new texture pieces, with a sculptural bas-relief that is then covered with a copper, gold, or silver leaf. Shimmer that changes with each hour of the day.

Flynn says: "Conformity is one of the great enemies of creativity. That's because new ideas are often viewed through a harsh lens, so it's often easier to just conform. Overcoming criticism from others, as well as your own fears, is one of the most important factors in creating something new and unique."

To this point, there is a stage in exploring new ideas where the artwork can look or feel wrong, somehow infantile or poorly executed. But with time and patience and working at it over and over, a whole new level of creation shows up. How exciting to move to this place as a pioneer in something rare and unusual.

On this note Flynn says: "Creating something requires a lot of focus on goals and ultimately on perfection. ...but while striving toward perfection is natural, it's essential to remember that it's only a part of the process."

He then talks about Wabi-sabi, a Japanese philosophy which appreciates beauty in imperfection and transience. Things change, nature changes. Somehow, it's about finding joy in the impermanence of life. With our imperfect moments and imperfect creations.

I have often created a work of art, that I thought was too primitive or abstract. Maybe too rough and crude. Only to see if later as a perfect juxtaposition to a part of the piece that was exquisite in execution. That the two next to each other spoke millions.

All in all, this experience with a genius level of cooking sparked me to rethink my creative process. To appreciate



Jill Logan in her gallery

and accept the so-called mistakes and inferior pieces as teachers and sometimes above quality to any exactly perfect piece. To explore more. To push the envelope. To be an explorer in creation. I hope this will inspire you all, to do, in your creative endeavors.

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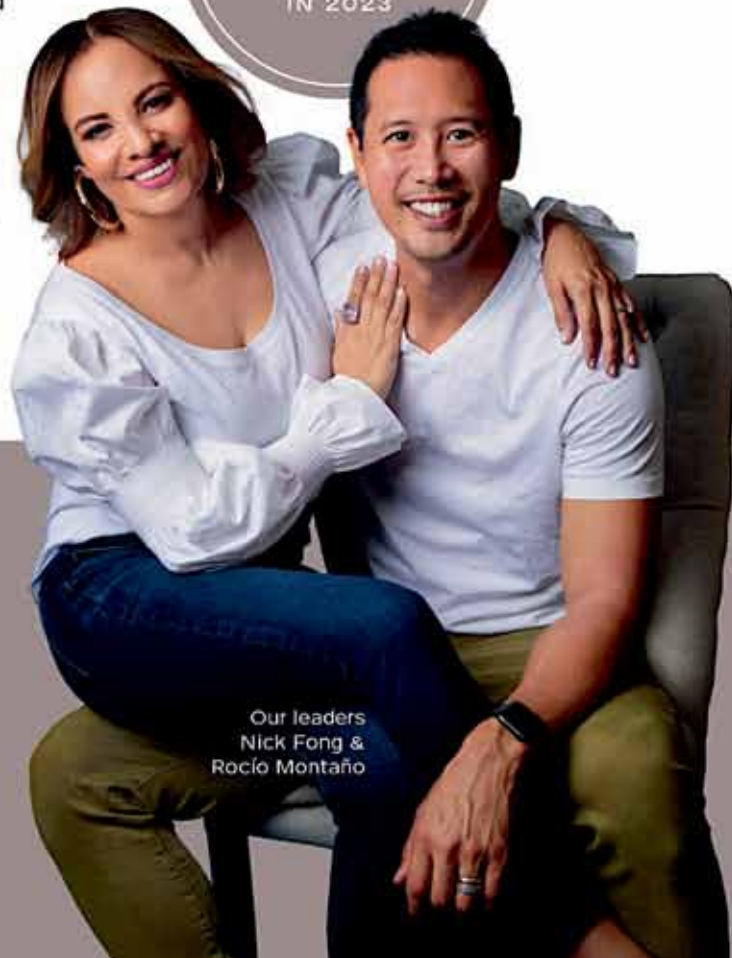
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rural, paisajes naturales, y el centro histórico. El resultado: un oasis con playas prístinas, montañas majestuosas y un entorno desértico mágico, incrementando el turismo, con una creciente economía, y mejorando la calidad de vida local.

El propuesto PDU amenaza con hacer de Todos Santos una copia de Los Cabos, subestimando la identidad única de esta área, removiendo muchas de las protecciones a los recursos naturales y poniendo en peligro todo lo que precisamente ha hecho que esta área sea un destino turístico importante.

LAS PRINCIPALES OBJECIONES DE LA COMUNIDAD INCLUYEN:

FALTA DE EVALUACIÓN DE RIESGOS.

El PDU que se propone carece de la evaluación de riesgos que se requiere para justificar su crecimiento propuesto a 150, 000 residentes, lo cual representa cinco veces más del total de la población actual.

NO HAY UN PLAN DE INFRAESTRUCTURA.

No existe un compromiso tangible con la mejora de la infraestructura existente para apoyar el rápido crecimiento de la zona, en especial con respecto al abastecimiento de agua y electricidad principalmente, pero también incluyendo escuelas, cuidado de la salud, caminos, control de desperdicios etc.

DENSIDAD DE DESARROLLO.

El nuevo Plan de Desarrollo Urbano ha cambiado las regulaciones de zonificación para permitir el aumento de la altura máxima de construcción, ha reducido el tamaño de los lotes, y ha aumentado su cobertura. Se permite construir condominios, hoteles, etc., en zonas donde en la actualidad existen solamente viviendas unifamiliares, y con esto se doblaría la densidad de la región.

OPOSICIÓN DE LA COMUNIDAD.

Los ciudadanos y residentes comunicaron su oposición a los propuestos cambios en el PDU organizando una reunión y una campaña para recolectar firmas en una petición. Mas de 1,200 personas firmaron la petición para expresar sus preocupaciones acerca del proceso y de los cambios que se proponen.

Protege Todos Santos/*Protect Todos Santos* y otros grupos de la comunidad están activamente atrayendo la atención hacia los defectos que se encuentran en el proceso y las preocupaciones que tiene la comunidad para urgir a los oficiales gubernamentales a rechazar este plan o para hacerlos que aborden diligentemente los defectos existentes en el propuesto PDU, así como las necesidades de esta área con un aporte comprobable de la comunidad.

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DID YOU KNOW?

La Paz is trying to replace our PDU
(Program of Urban Development) with
one that increases our population by 500%
while we are already running out of water.

Population Growth
Blue Todos Santos PDU - Red La Paz PDU

Year	Current PDU (Blue)	Proposed PDU (Red)
2000	20,000	0
2010	25,000	0
2020	30,000	0
2030	40,000	20,000
2040	50,000	40,000
2050	60,000	80,000

Todos Santos Acuífero
Blue is Average Annual Recharge Red is Over Extraction

Year	Average Annual Recharge (Blue)	Over Extraction (Red)
2011	2.5	0
2015	3.0	0
2017	3.5	0
2020	4.0	1.0
2023	4.5	2.5
2026 Est.	5.0	4.0
2029 Est.	5.5	6.0

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INCLUDE FINES AND PENALTIES.

Laws with stated fines and penalties serve several crucial purposes and are required to be included. They provide deterrence, fairness, and judicial efficiency. They also encourage compliance, facilitate enforcement, and prevent corruption.

CLOSE ENVIRONMENTAL LOOPHOLES.

The new PDU does a reasonable job protecting coastal dunes but the ambiguity that has always existed remains and permits have been granted to build on the dunes even though it violates the existing PDU.

ENSURE THE PLAN CREATES AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Housing costs have tripled due to increased demand from expats and mainlanders “discovering” the area and being able to work remotely. In addition, rapid development has brought outside construction workers and their families, further driving up housing demand and making the area less affordable for local families.

ADHERE TO THE RECENT MEXICAN SUPREME COURT RULING.

It stated the agency creating the PDU must ensure citizen participation and access to environmental information in the preparation of the plan. Any future PDU must be developed in partnership with the local community with real working sessions and roundtables and, most importantly, analysis of the availability of resources.

Several efforts are underway to get the municipality to reconsider the new PDU effort:

LEGAL CHALLENGE: An injunction has been filed challenging the process for inadequate community participation.

APPEALS: Formal letters are being sent to municipal officials urging them to reject the plan or allow community revisions.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT: A campaign has been launched to highlight the plan’s flaws by emphasizing the needs of the community.

FEDERAL LAWSUIT: If the plan passes, a lawsuit will be filed to void it due to violations of the General Law of Human Settlements.

HOW TO HELP

Protect Todos Santos is funding efforts to keep the proposed PDU from becoming law. Donations are welcome at www.protecttodosantos.org. Your support is crucial in protecting the community’s interests and preserving the unique environment of Todos Santos.

To understand how the proposed PDU will impact your neighborhood, visit the Protect Todos Santos website. There, you can access a zoning map and view the changes being proposed for your neighborhood.



april

"WINDOWS OF BAJA CALIFORNIA SUR" exhibit of works by Oliver Martinez at the Museo de Arte Baja California Sur in La Paz. Works displayed through April 15, 2024.

2ND ABC ART BAJA CALIFORNIA with events in Ensenada, Tijuana, La Paz, San José del Cabo, and Todos Santos through May 5.

April 6 | 10 am – 3 pm, TODOS SANTOS' HISTORIC HOME TOUR. This one-day event benefits the educational programs of **The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C.** Tickets may be purchased on the day of the event at the Centro Cultural located on Calle Benito Juárez. Admission is 300 pesos or \$20 USD. Documents are on hand at each site to offer more information.

April 8 | TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE. From the cape region of BCS, it will be a maximum of 95% eclipsed or so from the Cabo San Lucas-San José del Cabo corridor, and about 93.5% from Todos Santos. The maximum eclipse should be about 11:04 am in BCS, about 11:09 am in Sinaloa.

April 10 | 3 pm, COOKING EXPERIENCE - EATING FOR AWESOME ENERGY at Desierto Azul Cooking Studio, Todos Santos. Learn how to feel vibrant all day with energy-boosting foods! Start your journey into a healthier lifestyle with this hands-on culinary nutrition experience. This class is in Spanish.

April 13 | 5 – 8 pm, THE PALAPA SOCIETY'S ANNUAL DONOR APPRECIATION PARTY at **The Palapa Learning Center.** Free for Palapa Society donors. Please R.S.V.P to tickets@palapasociety.org

April 19 | 12 – 1 pm, BIBLIOTECA ELENA PONIATOWSKA BOOK GROUP. Every third Friday of the month until June 2024. Stimulating discussions on books and climate change.

April 26 - 28 | FESTIVAL DEL CHILE, LA FRESA Y SUS HIERBAS AROMÁTICAS in Pescadero.

April 24 | 3 pm, COOKING EXPERIENCE - MEAL-PREP MADE EASY at Desierto Azul Cooking Studio, Todos Santos. Discover simple tricks for planning healthy eating. Start your journey into a healthier lifestyle with this hands-on culinary nutrition experience. This class is in English.



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April 30 | DÍA DEL NIÑO.

may

May 1 | DÍA DEL TRABAJO / WORKER'S DAY.

May 3 | DÍA DE LA CRUZ / DÍA DEL ALBAÑIL / MASON'S DAY.

May 3 - 5 | LA PAZ FIESTAS DE FUNDACIÓN.

May 5 | CINCO DE MAYO / BATALLA DE PUEBLA.

May 8 | 3 pm, COOKING EXPERIENCE - MEAL-PREP MADE EASY at Desierto Azul Cooking Studio, Todos Santos. Discover simple tricks for planning healthy eating. Start your journey into a healthier lifestyle with this hands-on culinary nutrition experience. This class is in Spanish.

May 10 - 12 | DOS MARES 500 OFF ROAD RACE. La Paz to Constitución to La Paz.

May 10 | DÍA DE LAS MADRES.

May 10 | JOURNAL DEL PACIFICO SUMMER 2024 ISSUE DEADLINE.

May 12 | MOTHER'S DAY (US and Canada.)

May 17 | 12 – 1 pm, BIBLIOTECA ELENA PONIATOWSKA BOOK GROUP. Every third Friday of the month until June

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May 22 | 3 pm, COOKING EXPERIENCE - ANTI-INFLAMMATORY EATING at Desierto Azul Cooking Studio, Todos Santos. Learn to reduce inflammation with delicious food! Start your journey into a healthier lifestyle with this hands-on culinary nutrition experience. This class is in English.

june

June 1 | CHEERS TO 7 YEARS! TODOS SANTOS BREWING 7TH ANNIVERSARY BEER & FOOD PAIRING DEGUSTATION at Todos Santos Brewing. Six specialty culinary courses paired with TSB beers.

June 2 | MEXICAN ELECTION DAY.

June 9 | CHEERS TO 7 YEARS! TODOS SANTOS BREWING 7TH ANNIVERSARY SUPER SUNDAY SESSIONS at Todos Santos Brewing.

June 16 | FATHER'S DAY / DÍA DE LOS PADRES.

June 21 | SUMMER SOLSTICE.

June 21 | 12 – 1 pm, BIBLIOTECA ELENA PONIATOWSKA BOOK GROUP. Every third Friday of the month until June 2024. Stimulating discussions on books and climate change.

every week

sunday

8 am - 2 pm, **LOCALS MARKET** at **La Esquina Café** on the *otro lado*.

8:30 am - 2 pm, **ORGANIC MARKET AND LIVE MUSIC** at Baja Beans Cafeteria, Pescadero.

6 pm, **SUNDAY SESSIONS** at Todos Santos Brewing.

monday

10 am - 1 pm, **PALAPA LIBRARY OPEN**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

MEATLOAF MONDAY at Shut Up Frank's in Todos Santos. Meatloaf with all the fixings for \$225 pesos.

5 - 6 pm, **PALAPA CHILDREN'S LIBRARY OPEN**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

tuesday

8:30 am - 2 pm, **LA PAZ FARMER'S MARKET** on calle Rosales between Obregón & Madero, La Paz.

4 pm, **TACO TUESDAY** at **Chill N Grill** in Todos Santos.

5 - 6 pm, **PALAPA CHILDREN'S LIBRARY OPEN**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

wednesday

7 am - 2 pm, **CHINGROWN COMPOST** at **La Esquina Café** on the *otro lado*. Free kitchen waste drop point. \$120 pesos for 5 gallons of garden soil. Bring your own bucket.

8 am - 2 pm, **LOCALS MARKET** at **La Esquina Café** on the *otro lado*.

10 am - 1 pm, **PALAPA LIBRARY OPEN**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

thursday

9 am - 2 pm, **PUNTO VERDE RECYCLING** behind Super Pollo, off calle Del Huerto at the southern entrance of Todos Santos. Bring your paper, #1 & #2 plastics, batteries, cardboard, cans, metal, Styrofoam, and electronics. 50 peso minimum donation; electronics are 80 pesos. Please separate and clean materials. For information: ecorrrevolucionmx@gmail.com, (612) 139-4789

12 pm, **SPANISH CONVERSATION CLUB** at **Hablando Mexicano**, in Todos Santos.

5 pm, **LIVE MUSIC** with The Cordovas & Amigos at **La Esquina Café** on the *otro lado*.

5 - 6 pm, **PALAPA CHILDREN'S LIBRARY OPEN**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

5 - 9 pm, **ARTWALK** in the San José del Cabo Gallery District. Takes place November through June.

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9 am - 2 pm, **TODOS SANTOS ORGANIC MARKET** at Palma Serena in the Callejon, Todos Santos.

COOKING CLASS at **Hablando Mexicano** in Todos Santos. Visit <https://www.hablandomexicano.com/> for menu and prices.

10 am - 1 pm, **PALAPA LIBRARY OPEN**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

FRIED CHICKEN at Shut Up Frank's in Todos Santos. Full fried chicken dinner with mashed potatoes and salad for \$225 pesos.

6 pm, **TRIVIA NIGHT** at Todos Santos Brewing.

saturday

7 am - 2 pm, **PUNTO VERDE RECYCLING** across from 5 Tacos & Beer in Las Tunas. Bring your paper, #1 & #2 plastics, batteries, cardboard, cans, metal, Styrofoam, and electronics. 50 peso minimum donation; electronics are 80 pesos. Please separate and clean materials. For information: ecorrrevolucionmx@gmail.com, (612) 139-4789

8:30 am - 2 pm, **LA PAZ FARMER'S MARKET** on calle Rosales between Obregón & Madero, La Paz.

9 am - 1 pm, **MALECÓN TIANGUIS NATURAL (MARKET)** at the Callejon Cabezud in La Paz—the area between Esquerro street and the *malecón* at the location of the Wyland mural and the seashell musician statue.

9 am - 3 pm, **SAN JOSÉ DEL CABO ORGANIC MARKET** (Mercado Orgánico) just outside the San José historic district in Huerta Maria on the Camino a Las Animas. Look for the signs at the big arroyo off Avenida Centenario. Takes place November through the end of June.

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10 am - 2 pm, **MARKET** at Gypsea's in Pescadero.

10:30 am - 2 pm, **EL MERCADO RANCHERO MARKET** with art, furniture, and fresh products from area ranches, including cheese, chicken, and meat, on the *otro lado*.

1 - 4 pm, **UNPLUGGED IN THE YARD** at Allende Books in La Paz. Acoustic open mic. Everyone welcome.

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LA COMUNIDAD LE ESTA PIDIENDO AL MUNICIPIO QUE HAGA LOS SIGUIENTE:

BASAR EL CRECIMIENTO DE LA POBLACIÓN EN UNA EVALUACIÓN DE RIESGOS CERTERA Y ACTUALIZADA.

Como es requerido por ley, los planes para el crecimiento de la población se deberán basar en una variedad de recursos, incluyendo agua, electricidad, aguas residuales, así como también en las escuelas, los hospitales, servicios de emergencia, caminos, y servicios sociales.

PROPORCIONAR UN PLAN REAL PARA INVERSIONES EN INFRAESTRUCTURA.

El PDU actual propone crear crecimiento sin ningún plan concreto para la infraestructura. No existe ningún compromiso para incrementar la capacidad de la red eléctrica para poder poner fin a los apagones que ocurren continuamente ni la infraestructura para hacer entregas de agua y garantizar que la gente tenga el agua que necesita.

RESPECTAR LAS REGLAS DE ZONIFICACIÓN DE LAS COMUNIDADES.

En cada zona dentro del propuesto PDU, se le otorga el criterio a un "comité" extranjero sin nombre para permitir excepciones con ciertas desarrolladoras o algunos proyectos, dando su autorización para la construcción de condominios y hogares multifamiliares en áreas que actualmente están zonificadas para viviendas unifamiliares.

ESTABLECER UN COMITÉ LOCAL DE REVISIÓN.

El PDU creado por la comunidad de 2012 requería que la ciudad de La Paz creara un comité local de revisión para que las solicitudes de permisos de construcción fueran revisadas para su cumplimiento antes de emitir los permisos, pero nunca se formó. Cualquier PDU nuevo deberá de establecer un comité local de revisión.

INCLUIR MULTAS Y SANCIONES.

Las leyes con multas y sanciones estipuladas cumplen varios propósitos cruciales y se requiere que sean incluídas. Nos proveen de disuasión, justicia y eficacia judicial. Y también alientan al cumplimiento de las leyes, facilitan la aplicación de las mismas, y previenen la corrupción.

TERMINAR CON LAS LAGUNAS JURÍDICAS EN MATERIA AMBIENTAL.

El nuevo PDU hace un trabajo razonablemente bueno en proteger a las dunas costeras pero la ambigüedad que siempre ha existido al respecto continúa y ya se han otorgado permisos para construir en las dunas a pesar de que esto viola el PDU ya existente.

ASEGURAR QUE EL PLAN INCLUYA LA CREACIÓN DE VIVIENDAS ACCESIBLES.

El costo de la vivienda se ha triplicado debido al incremento

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de la demanda tanto de los extranjeros y de la gente que viene del resto de la república, que recientemente han “descubierto” esta área y que tienen la capacidad de poder trabajar remotamente. Sumado a esto, el rápido desarrollo ha traído trabajadores de la construcción de otras partes junto con sus familias, así pues, elevando la demanda para viviendas y haciendo que esta área sea menos accesible para familias locales.

ADHERIRSE AL RECIENTE FALLO DE LA SUPREMA CORTE DE JUSTICIA MEXICANA.

En él se estipula que la instancia encargada de elaborar el PDU debe garantizar la participación ciudadana y el acceso a información ambiental en la preparación del plan. Cualquier PDU futuro deberá desarrollarse en colaboración con la comunidad local con sesiones de trabajo real, mesas redondas y más importante aún, con el análisis de la disponibilidad de recursos.

Varios esfuerzos están en camino para convencer al municipio de reconsiderar el nuevo PDU:

DESAFÍO LEGAL: Se ha presentado una orden judicial impugnando el proceso por su inadecuada participación comunitaria.

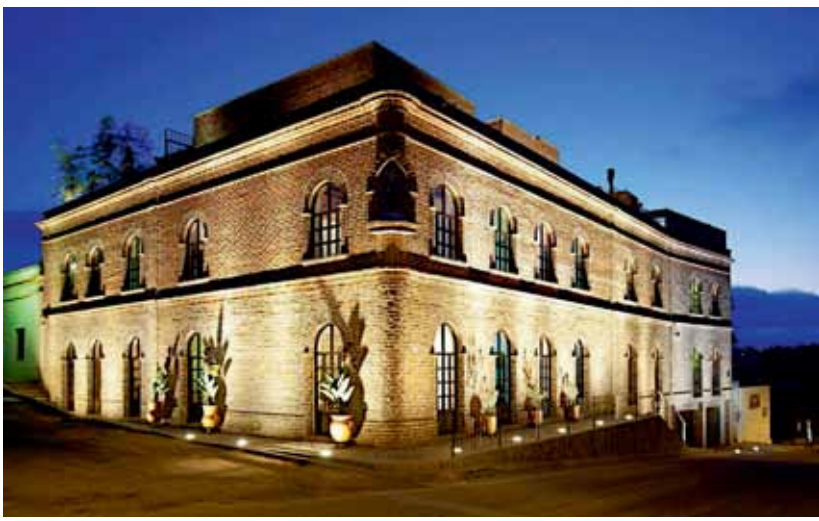
APELACIONES: Cartas formales se están enviando a los oficiales del municipio urgiéndolos a rechazar el plan o a permitir revisiones comunitarias.

APOYO COMUNITARIO: Se ha lanzado una campaña para destacar los defectos del plan, haciendo hincapié en las necesidades de la comunidad.

DEMANDA FEDERAL: Si el plan es aprobado, se presentará una demanda para hacerlo nulo por que viola la ley general de asentamientos humanos.

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Historic Homes

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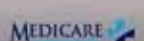
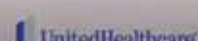
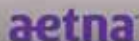
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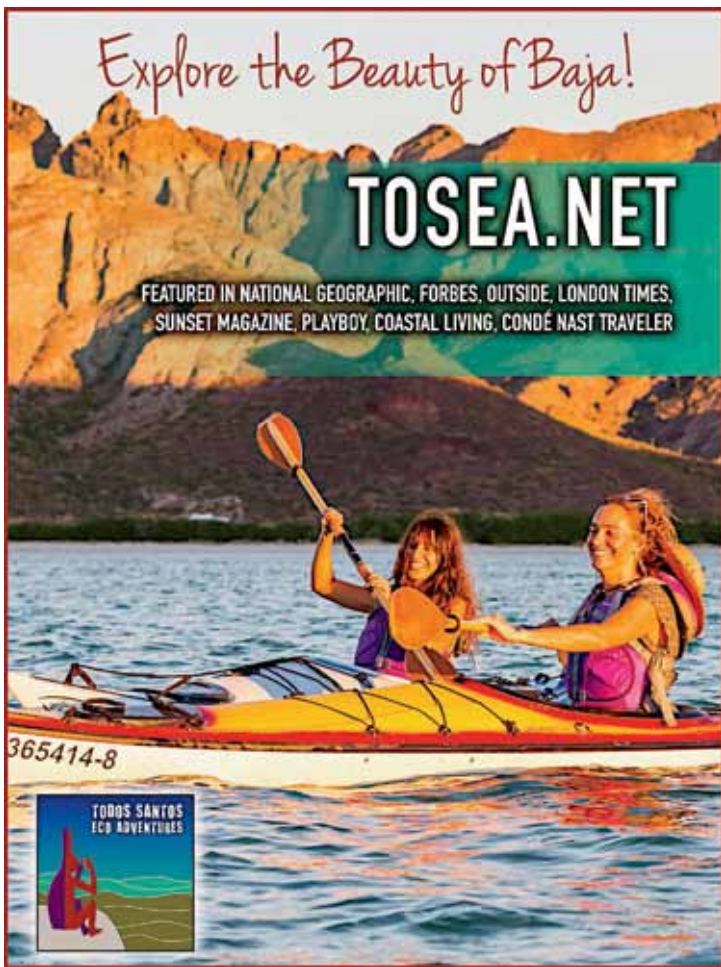
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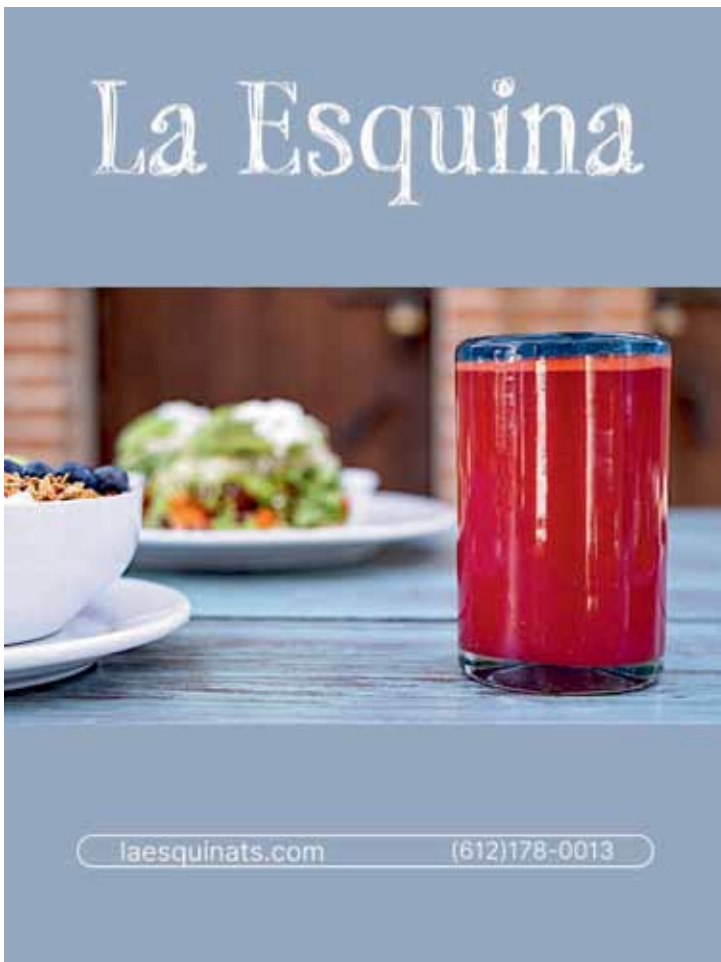
El Pescadero a alcanzar aún más logros y determinaron comprar otras dos estructuras, una para los niños más grandes en el parque de Pescadero y otra más para el vecindario de San Juan en Pescadero. Trabajando con MEA, la International Community Foundation (ICF), la ONG SINADES Pescadero, la Escuela de Surf de Mario, los bomberos de Pescadero, y varios otros negocios y residentes ya han recaudado el 62% de los \$650,000 MXN pesos necesarios para comprar ambas estructuras.

El 24 de febrero, el Comité de Ciudadanos de El Pescadero organizó un festival comunitario en el parque de Pescadero con música, comida, y baile, así como con presentaciones especiales de el pájaro amarillo *Big Bird* de Plaza Sésamo y sus amigos. Parte del propósito de este festival era la recaudación de fondos y dar a conocer el proyecto del parque de juegos, pero en realidad el primordial objetivo era el de unir a las distintas partes de la comunidad de El Pescadero. "La carretera no debe de dividirnos" afirma Geovani. "Hay una gran falta de comunicación entre la población local del Pescadero del lado este, el lado del pueblo en la carretera y los extranjeros que han hecho sus hogares en el lado oeste, en la carretera del lado de la playa. En el lado este de la carretera la población ve salarios bajos y limitaciones, y en el lado oeste de la carretera la población ve opulencia y oportunidades. MEA y el comité de ciudadanos de El Pescadero están trabajando en conjunto para derrumbar esas divisiones y crear oportunidades para los residentes de ambos lados de la carretera para unirse en causas comunes, en especial por los niños."

El nombre El Pescadero significa en español: "la persona que vende pescado" y a pesar de que hay diferentes versiones de como el pueblo obtuvo este nombre, por lo general todas concuerdan y están conectadas al hecho de que antes de que el ejido empezara a vender la tierra del lado de la playa a los extranjeros, mucha gente en el pueblo dedicaba una gran cantidad de tiempo a pescar en la playa, comiendo langosta, y haciendo picnics. El festival comunitario de Pescadero que se efectuó el 24 de febrero fue el primer intento de la Academia del Anciano Moderno MEA y del Comité de Ciudadanos de El Pescadero de reunir ambos lados de la carretera alrededor de tales placeres.

El comité de ciudadanos espera tener el proyecto del parque de juegos terminado para fines del mes de marzo, y ya se están revisando los proyectos que abordaran próximamente. A pesar de que el comité no tiene intención de involucrarse en la política, una meta que si tiene clara es lograr deshacerse del estatus de subdelegación que tiene El Pescadero para que pueda estar a cargo de su propio destino, aun mas que ahora. Son optimistas y creen que esto sucederá en el año 2024.

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“This is all so exciting to see,” states Caitlin. “One of my key goals at MEA is to assist in the integration of community stakeholders, and to support the efforts that are important to the community and that are being driven by the community. We can’t wait to see what the Citizen’s Committee does next!”

If you would like to join MEA, Mario Surf School and others in supporting the projects of the Citizen’s Committee of El Pescadero, please reach out to Geovani at Gemmri@hotmail.com or to Caitlin at caitlin@meawisdom.com.

A WORD OF THANKS FROM GEOVANI:

I would like to thank each and every one on the committee: Ricardo García de León Vice president, the Subdelegate Mario Alonso Avilés, *ejido* commissary Carlos Alberto Salgado Zazueta, Lumber Rochín Secretary, Rocío Isabel Villalobos Castillo Treasurer, Griselda Sotelo Subsecretary, Carlos Carlos Treasurer, Inés Melchor, Asael Flores, Mayra Guevara, Mario and Dev, and Hased Najera for the support with the American community. Also, to Mónica Cardll and Sarita for being a part of the festival, Dominc Braco, Armando and every member of the committee, to all the companies who made it possible and who donated for



Geovani and Rocío

the purchase of the play structures. And to the Pescadero community—for every peso that you deposited in the donation box. We would like this committee to keep growing with more people united to participate in such a beautiful activity, so we can see our town experience changes for its benefit. Thank you very much!

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En la Portada

Mike Brinkman

traducido por Ivonne Benítez

Mike Brinkman es un fotógrafo y camarógrafo de EE. UU. que ha trabajado capturando estas partes del Sur de Baja California durante los últimos años. Su primera portada de *Journal del Pacífico* fue en junio de 2022. Quizás también haya visto las fotografías de paisajes de Mike flotando por las páginas de Facebook e Instagram, o tal vez incluso colgando de las paredes de algunas de las casas de la zona.

“Capturar el paisaje de Baja California ha sido una alegría y un privilegio, ha sido y es una experiencia increíble compartir estas imágenes con todos, aquí y a lo lejos,” dice Mike.

Pero Mike no siempre ha sido un fotógrafo profesional. Después de haber crecido en Texas y el estado de Washington, se mudó a Australia a la edad de 20 años para estudiar Ingeniería Mecánica y luego trabajó en la industria de la construcción. Estaba viviendo bajo tierra durante 13 años, pero cuando tenía poco más de treinta años decidió que estaba listo para un cambio. “Estaba empezando a sentar cabeza; quería seguir una nueva carrera y, lo más importante, explorar más el mundo.” Dejó su trabajo, compró una cámara, y comenzó a viajar y tomar fotografías. Dos años después aterrizó en Baja California Sur.

Aunque la fotografía se convirtió recientemente en su carrera, la fotografía siempre ha sido una afición. De hecho, aprendió fotografía hace unos 25 años con la antigua Canon de su padre. Una cámara réflex digital de 35 mm. Ah, filmar, los viejos buenos tiempos. Después de un breve período aprendiendo a hacer rodajes, luego comenzó a jugar más con videocámaras y luego con GoPros y hacer videos de acción y viajes.

Cuando llegó el momento de dejar su carrera de ingeniería y pensar en qué posibles nuevas carreras podría tomar, la fotografía y la videografía fueron las primeras cosas que surgieron en su cabeza. “Quería explorar más el lado creativo de mi cerebro,” dice Mike. “Amo desafiarme a mí mismo y probar cosas nuevas, y la fotografía y la



videografía parecían que serían divertidos de perseguir. Siempre he sido más un comunicador visual que verbal, así que he apreciado cómo la fotografía me ha permitido conectar con más gente de esa manera.”

En cuanto a lo que depara el futuro de la fotografía y la videografía, y qué desafíos son los siguientes para Mike, dice: “Me encantaría ser fotógrafo de esquí. El esquí es mi mayor pasión; Sería genial combinar las dos cosas que más me apasionan actualmente.” Estén atentos...

Actualmente, Mike tiene una exposición de su fotografía de paisajes de Baja California Sur llamada “Vida Choyera” (también conocido como *Baja Life*) en La Katrina Surf + Supply en el otro lado de Todos Santos. La galería consta de 25 imágenes de toda Baja California impresas en metal texturizado que proporcionan un acabado mate puro y no reflectante. Puede ver las imágenes los siete días de la semana hasta el fin del verano.

Siga a Mike en Instagram (@mikebrinkmanphotography), Facebook (Mike Brinkman Photography) o vea su portafolio completo en su sitio web (mikebrinkmanphotography.com).



On the Cover

Mike Brinkman

Mike Brinkman is a photographer and videographer from the USA who has been capturing these southern parts of Baja for the last couple of years. His first *Journal del Pacifico* cover was June 2022. You may have also seen Mike's landscape photographs floating around the pages of Facebook and Instagram, or maybe even hanging on the walls of some of the houses in the area.

"Capturing the landscape of Baja has been such a joy and privilege and it's been an amazing experience to share these images with everybody here and afar," says Mike.

But Mike hasn't always been a professional photographer. After having grown up in Texas and Washington State, he moved to Australia at the age of 20 to study Mechanical Engineering and then worked in the construction industry. He ended up living "down under" for the next 13 years, but in his early-thirties he decided he was ready for a change. "I was starting to feel too settled; I wanted to pursue a new career path and, most importantly, explore the world more." He quit his job, bought a camera, and started traveling and taking photos. Two years later he landed in Baja California Sur.

Even though photography only recently became his career, photography has always been a hobby. In fact, he learned ON THE COVER continued on page 55



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The Shape of Air

story & photos by Kaia Thomson

Have you ever wondered how air can move through air, but not all air moves at the same time? This is because in tropical places near the equator, the solar-warmed air rises as it is closest to the sun. When the air gets to about 10 to 15 km, (6 to 9 miles) above the Earth's surface it starts to flow away from the equator, towards the North and South poles. The air that rises north of the equator flows to the north and the air that rises south of the equator flows to the south. When the air that is in the upper altitudes cools, it falls back closer to the Earth's surface and flows back in the direction of the equator, to warm again and start the whole process over in a circular pattern known as convection.

Convection happens everywhere on a global scale and can be influenced by individual storms and weather fronts. Even with these types of disruptions in flow, there is a pattern of movement in the Earth's atmosphere that is known as atmospheric circulation. Patterns that occur on a smaller, more individual scale, are also affected by the spin of the Earth. Due to the Earth's rotation, the air that moves north and south, is now also traveling west and east. The air moving to the north also is deflected to the right and equally, the air moving to the south is deflected left, this force is known as the Coriolis effect. If the Earth
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Las Formas del Aire

historia y fotos por Kaia Thomson

traducido por Francesca Magallon

¿Alguna vez te has preguntado cómo es que el aire se puede mover a través del mismo aire, pero no todo el aire se mueve al mismo tiempo?

Esto sucede porque en lugares tropicales cercanos al

ecuador, el aire que se ha calentado por la luz solar va hacia arriba, ya que se encuentra mas cerca del sol. Cuando el aire alcanza una altura de aproximadamente entre los 10 a los 15 km, (6 a 9 millas) sobre la superficie del planeta

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was stationary and did not spin, there would be only two very large convection cells on each side of the equator, rather than six—three on each side of the equator, that are created by the Earth’s movement—the wind and weather patterns as we know them, would be very different.

Another interesting factor of the movement of wind is that when the warm air rises, it creates a low-pressure zone at ground level allowing air in the surrounding areas to move into the space left by the rising air. This air flows horizontally (known as advection) in the troposphere, which is the lowest level of the atmosphere that is in direct contact with the surface of the Earth. Most of the amazing weather phenomena occurs in this layer with turbulence, storm systems, convection, and clouds all being a part of the air movement.

Large bodies of water like the ocean maintain their temperature as water heats and cools more slowly than land does. Sea breezes blow from the cooler oceans to the warmer land in summer, whereas the opposite effect happens in the winter, with the breezes blowing offshore from the warmer land to the cooler sea. On a larger scale of power and temperatures, monsoon winds occur when land masses that are next to the sea substantially heat up in the summer, creating stronger winds and daily thunderstorms.

Clouds are wonderful indicators of wind movement. Their shapes, sizes, patterns, and colors let us visualize what the wind, weather, and temperatures of the Earth and sea are doing and creating on a daily basis!

El Cielo: The Baja Sky

by Roc Fleishman
photo by Kaia Thomson

Welcome to the April/May edition of *El Cielo* for 2024 highlighting the most interesting astronomical happenings above the cape region of BCS, Mexico. Keep this list close at hand for reference and enjoy the sky.

Remember, April is still a good month to see the constellation Crux better known as the "Southern Cross." The lovely globular cluster, Omega Centauri, will also be visible just under 15 degrees above and to the left of Crux. Crux will be straight up just after 12 midnight on April 1 and at around 10:15 pm (remember there is no time change in Mexico anymore) on May 1. You will need a clear night and a location with a clear, low southern horizon. The best locations would be a beach with a clear southern horizon or the top of a hill. Binoculars or a telescope bring Omega Centauri to life.

APRIL

- 6 The thin crescent moon will rise just after Saturn before sunrise.
- 8 Total Solar Eclipse (TSE). Our sun will be totally eclipsed on a path passing south of the cape, then entering Mexico near Mazatlán, racing northeast across Mexico, crossing the US border near Piedra Negras in Texas, then speeding across the US to Maine, and continuing across Nova Scotia

then Newfoundland and then out to sea. From the Cape Region of BCS, it will be a maximum of 95% eclipsed or so from the CSL-SJC corridor, and about 93.5% from Todos Santos. The time of maximum eclipse should be about 11:04 am in BCS, about 11:09 in Sinaloa. If you have a chance to see it, you owe it to yourself to do so, but take care not to stare at the even partially eclipsed sun without proper eye protection. If you are in the zone of totality, you can look at the eclipse with unprotected eyes or even binoculars and you will see the fancy corona around the shadowed moon surrounded by the night stars and a line of planets for a couple of minutes during totality but cover your eyes and any visual aids up with solar filters as soon as the bright sun peeks back out again.

- 10 Waxing new moon sets with Venus to lower left.
- 21/22 The Lyrid meteor shower peaks but there will be a full moon. Can still watch for fireballs.

MAY

- 3 Waning crescent moon will rise slightly before and to the right of Saturn just before 3 am.
- 4/5 Another meteor shower, the Eta Aquariids will peak in the early morning hours of the 5th. The crescent

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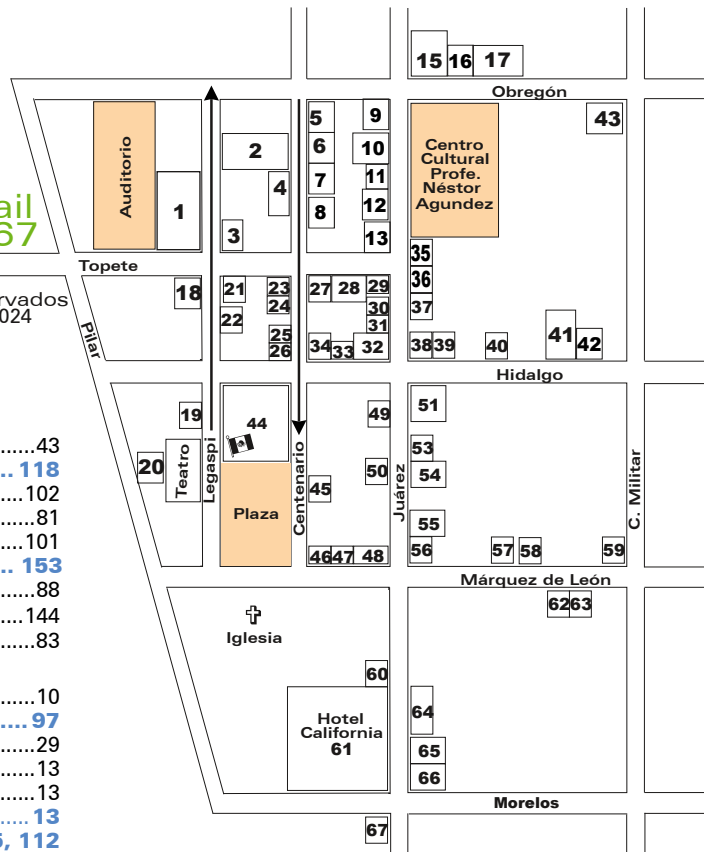
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Voces del Pueblo

by Janice Kinne

Happy Spring!

Thank you for all the compliments on our Winter issue with the time traveling cover by artist and photographer Kate Turning.

After four years, the **Todos Santos Historic Home Tour** is back! This fundraiser event for **The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C.**, takes its guests on an entertaining, educational tour through the most beautiful and historic buildings in the *pueblo mágico*. Read more about it in our article.

Also in this issue, Bryan Jáuregui, **Todos Santos Eco Adventures**, tells the story of the Pescadero community coming together to improve their town and local park. They have transformed what started as an advisory board into the Citizen's Committee of El Pescadero (*Comité Ciudadano El Pescadero*). Photographer **Mike Brinkman** took photos of their recent festival and provided our stunning Las Palmas cover.

Contigo Cerritos now has a new office just before **Villas**

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Two delicious meal options have opened in Plaza Amigos in the historic district. The popular **Shakti Bowl** healthy and organic foods has reopened at this Todos Santos location and **Szechuan Garden** serving Chinese and Asian specialties, where you will discover an exquisite fusion of flavors. **Shakti Bowl** is also at the El Mercado location on the Cabo corridor.

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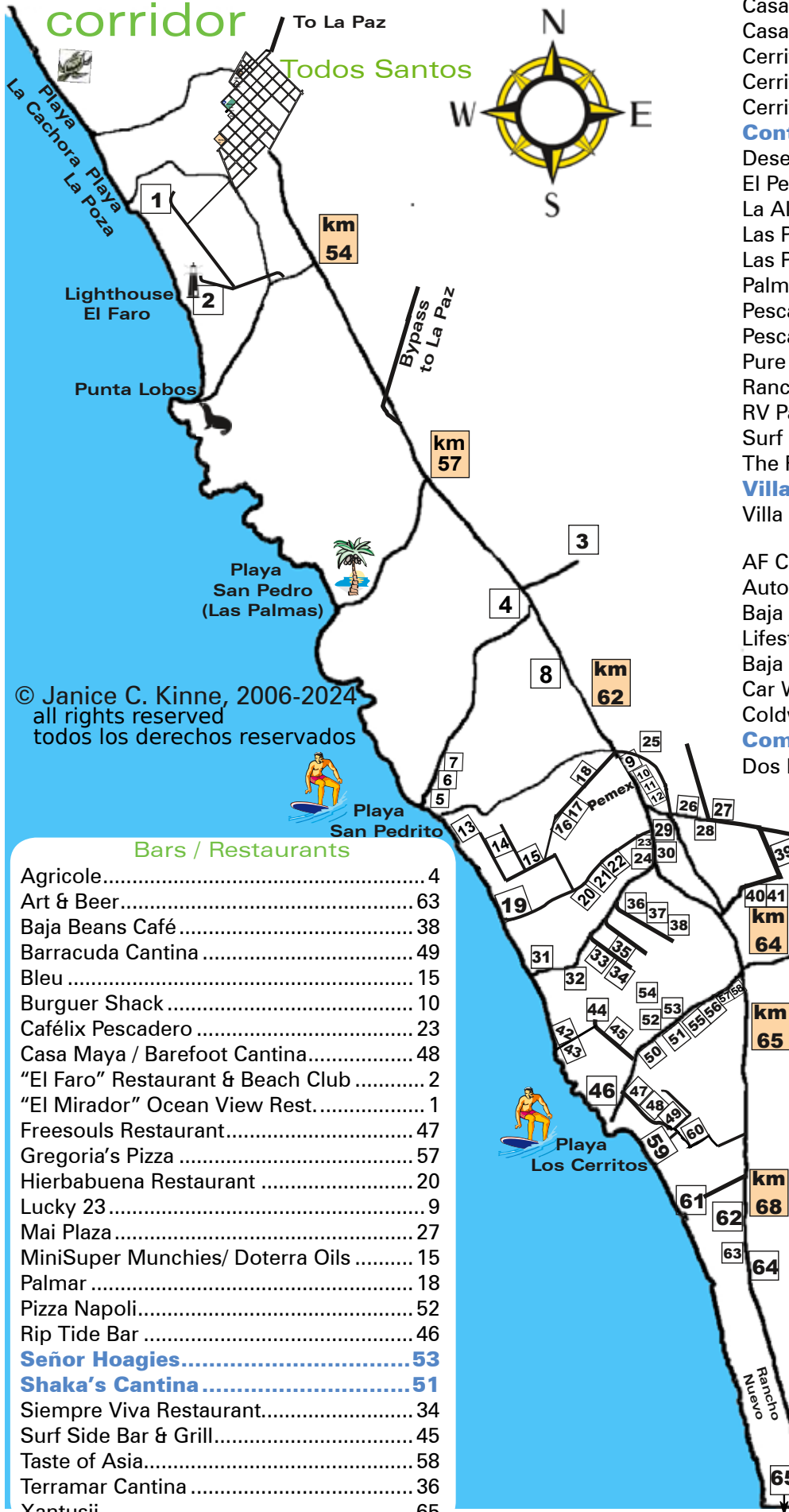
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Beaches / Playas

by Janice Kinne

Todos Santos lies inland along the rugged Pacific coast. There are miles of beautiful white sand beaches accessible down unmarked dirt roads.

This stretch of the Pacific Ocean is a very dangerous place to swim at any time of the year. Strong rip currents and backwash are common. People have drowned in waters near Todos Santos simply because they were too close to the ocean while on beaches with steep drop-offs. There are no lifeguards on duty at any area beaches.

You can access the **LA POZA** and **LA CACHORA** beaches via the La Cachora road. Both are suitable for walking, fishing, whale watching, relaxing, or sunbathing. They are not swimming beaches.

Because of the big waves breaking on the shore, La Cachora beach has become popular with skim boarders.

La Poza has a large freshwater lagoon that is great for bird watching. If you are going to swim in the lagoon be very careful. The lagoon may appear to be shallow, but has many sudden drop-offs and is actually very deep.

PUNTA LOBOS, named for a sea lion colony, is also known as the fishermen's beach. Simply follow calle Francisco Bojorquez Vidal (formerly calle Punta Lobos) south out of town, or turn off at km 54 from Highway 19. You will pass an old cannery from the days when fishermen could harvest sea turtles legally. There is a small freshwater lagoon at Punta Lobos with a shrine to the Virgin.

The fishermen ride their *panga* boats on the waves onto the beach between 1 and 3 pm. Their return is exciting to watch and you can usually buy fresh fish from the cooperatives.

The two fishing cooperatives have exclusive rights to the "launch zone" at Playa Punta Lobos. For reasons of safety and due to past problems, boat launching at Punta Lobos is not permitted without their express permission.

The only recommended swimming beaches are outside of Pescadero. **SAN PEDRO**, also known as **PALM BEACH** (*Playa Las Palmas*), is near km 57. Its entrance is across Highway 19 from the Campo Experimental—stay to the left as you pass the abandoned hacienda. Las Palmas is a beautiful, secluded beach surrounded by a palm grove with a freshwater lagoon that is home to a variety of plants, birds, and wildlife.

Due to strong currents (especially near the rocky point), swimming is safer 50 meters from the rocks. Swim with caution and always have a land reference. The property surrounding Palm Beach is privately owned. The gates are open from 6 am to 9 pm daily. Car break-ins have been reported at Palm Beach. Leave your valuables at home!

PLAYA SAN PEDRITO is a rocky surfing beach around km 60, about 4.6 miles (7.4 km) from Todos Santos.

PLAYA LOS CERRITOS is located at km 64 about
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eight miles (12.8 km) south of Todos Santos. Look for the turnoff after the hill, south of Puente El Pescadero. Los Cerritos is a popular spot for surfing, boogie boarding, swimming, and fishing. Swim with caution due to strong riptides near the rocks. It is recommended to stay at least 50 meters from the rocks. The most secure swimming area is in front of the restaurant/bar. Swim with caution and always have a land reference. There is a long stretch of beach to the south that is perfect for walking or running. Surfboard rentals and other services are available.

LA KATRINA SURF + SUPPLY, #36 on the *Otro Lado* map is a core shop on the way to the beach. New and used boards, fins, trunks, ding repair, wax, skates, hardware, they've got it.

MARIO'S SURF SCHOOL provides surfing lessons, board rentals, repairs, and accessories. Call for information.

PESCADERO SURF SHOP, #37 on the Pescadero map. The surf shop stocks everything you need for surfing: surfboard rentals, used and new surfboards for sale, wax, ding repair, accessories, surf reports and information. You can also arrange surf lessons, surf and SUP tours, and activities at the store with Mario Surf School.

TODOS SANTOS ECO ADVENTURES, #169 on the Todos Santos map. Since 2002 Todos Santos Eco Adventures (TOSEA) has been providing visitors with opportunities to explore, celebrate, and help conserve the magnificently diverse ecosystems of Baja. TOSEA offers whale and bird-watching trips in the Pacific lagoons; treks and *ranchero* culture programs in the Sierra la Laguna mountains; Sea Turtle Camp and surfing surfaris on the Pacific coast, and kayaking, "glamping," whale shark, and sea lion adventures in the Sea of Cortez.

TODOS SANTOS SURF SHOP, #87 on the Todos Santos map, sells and rents surf boards, offers beach supplies and activities around Todos Santos. They carry international brands and many locally handmade wares, clothes, bikinis, accessories, natural sunscreen, and "Eclipse" boards shaped by Meisy of Todos Santos. They offer tours to swim with whale sharks and sea lions, surfing lessons, fishing trips, trips to Espiritu Santo Island, and whale watching in Magdalena Bay.

WEST SIDE SURF SCHOOL AND SURF SHOP, #53 on the Pescadero map. Provides surf lessons (includes use of the board for the day, umbrellas, and chairs); board rentals (car straps provided if necessary); boogie boards; and surfboard repairs. Buy / sell / trade used boards. They carry West Side T-shirts, hats, rash guards, surf wax, surf leashes, and board fins.



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Ella Bella fashion designs are also located in the Cielito Lindo market as well as at **Pura Vida Health Foods and Deli**. If you feel good, you look good. Ella Bella designs the clothes, you put the attitude and beauty. In Ella Bella, come and renew your image!

Posada del Molino Boutique Hotel has charming Spanish colonial-style suites surrounding a lovely pool and gardens. Discover this beautiful oasis hidden in the center of Todos Santos.

In this issue, Ken Churchill of **Protect Todos Santos** shares an update on the local opposition to the new PDU proposed for the Todos Santos to Elias Calles area. Visit their website for more information and read the entire PDU.

Pintu Sayer has opened a new Pescadero location. They sell vinyl and enamel paints, resins, waterproofing, solvents, automotive products, glues and adhesives, and are wood specialists.

Learn Spanish while enjoying the area. **Carlos Mancillo** offers personalized Spanish classes at Cerritos. Contact him via WhatsApp for more information.

Señor Hoagies, next to Westside Surf, on the road to Cerritos beach, serves hoagie sandwiches on fresh baked bread Wednesday through Saturday 11 am to 4 pm. They also offer sandwiches platters and charcuterie options for your next party.

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New Port Gallery by Larralde, at Puerto Los Cabos, was conceived from the passion for art of both owners-one in the printing business, the other in construction. View works, from their personally curated collections, by Mexican artists such as Rufino Tamayo, David Alfaro Siqueiros, Leonora Carrington, Pedro Friedeberg among others, and a specially picked selection of contemporary art from abroad. It is art not only to decorate but as an investment, which fulfills the needs of Baja residents and tourists for that finishing touch in their living spaces.

Going away this summer and don't know what to do with your dogs? Thankfully there is an option for your peace of mind. **Todos los Perros Boarding & Daycare** has been the local dog training and boarding facility since 2018. Book your reservations now for summer boarding.

We'll see you next with our special Summer issue. The deadline is May 10.



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La Paz Beaches

by Janice Kinne

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The *malecón* along the bay of La Paz is the perfect place to walk, run, people watch, or enjoy gazing across the water. Crews clean the beaches and walkways daily, fresh sand has been imported and there are *palapas* to offer shade. Locals and tourists visit the beaches north of downtown to swim, snorkel, or kayak. There are several adventure companies along the *malecón* and at the marinas offering *panga* rides, bay and island cruises, snorkeling, scuba diving, fishing, sailing, and kayak rentals.

EL MOGOTÉ is the spit of land that separates the harbor of La Paz from the *Bahía de La Paz*. This natural treasure used to be, for the most part, accessible only with 4WD. Now driving onto the peninsula is restricted due to the construction of golf courses, homes, and hotels.

PLAYA EL COROMUEL 4.5 km from downtown La Paz, is the first beach north of town and an easy walk from downtown. It is within the harbor boundaries, has shaded *palapas*, and food / beverage services. The water here gets much better flow with the tide change and is suitable for swimming. The bottom is clean sand and rock. Snorkeling is good further out.

PLAYA EL TESORO 13 km from downtown La Paz, is a great little beach for children. The shallow, clear waters allow you to walk out for close to 100 meters. Tesoro has about 25 shaded *palapas*, two small restaurants, and kayak rentals.

PICHILINGUE 19 km from downtown La Paz. Pichilingue is home to the La Paz ferry terminus and a large commercial harbor. There are pleasant, small beaches just north of the deep water port, on the *Vieja Bahía de Pichilingue*. Beachfront food, beverage service, and kayak rentals are available and there is a restaurant with an upstairs view. The *palapa* bar is popular in the hot summer afternoons.

PLAYA BALANDRA 23 km from downtown La Paz, is known for its famous balancing rock formation landmark that resembles a prehistoric mushroom. You can view the rock formation and *playa El Hongo* by walking in the water around the cliff to your right. The large beach and surrounding area are beautiful. The waters surrounding Balandra are shallow and safe for children. Sheltered from wave action from nearly every direction, the water warms early and is very safe for swimmers and kayaking. There are also several little beaches (coves) and mangroves to explore. The beach has no services, so pack your own lunches and drinks for the day. There are vendors renting chairs, selling fruit and drinks, beach *palapas* for shade, and BBQ pits to the south.

PLAYA EL TECOLOTE 26 km from downtown La Paz, is by far the largest and most visited beach in La Paz. Two restaurant/bars offer shade *palapas* and a large number of beach vendors offer refreshments. RV camping is available, along with a wide variety of water sports rentals. Usually there are no lifeguards on duty, but they may be present during *la semana santa* and in the summer. The beach has a beautiful view of Isla Espíritu Santo and *panga* rides to the island are available—a 6.5 km crossing through the San Lorenzo channel. Bus service from the station on the *malecón* to playa El Tecolote is available for a nominal charge.

Sting rays are the biggest hazard at the playas and tend to be present on the bottom in shallow waters during the summer. When walking in the water, shuffle your feet on the bottom to avoid stepping directly on a resting ray.

There are no restrictions for beach fishing at any beaches. Please respect our beaches and help protect the sea turtles; don't leave trash or drive on the dunes or beaches.

El Cielo

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moon will rise at 4 am, so maybe a viewing time of 3 to 5 am?

- 8 An event that might be more interesting through binoculars is the crescent moon that will set while passing in front of the Pleiades star cluster. I am not sure how it will look, but after the sun sets, look for the Pleiades slightly right and 10 degrees above to see if you can see the moon's disk, and if it is uncovering stars as it sinks.
- 31 Waning crescent moon rises below and left of Saturn before sunrise.

For more information on any of the above subjects, check out the web links below. If you want to talk, call me on my cell phone at 612 348 5468 or text on WhatsApp. (Not in the office much these days).

LINKS OF INTEREST

- COMETS: <http://www.aerith.net/index.html>
METEOR SHOWERS: <http://www.imo.net/resources/calendar>
ECLIPSES: <https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/>
TROPIC OF CANCER: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Axial_tilt#values or https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Circle_of_latitude
ZODIACAL LIGHT: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zodiacal_light

- TIME: <http://www.worldtimeserver.com/>
SATELLITES: <http://www.heavens-above.com/>
USER: "elcielots" PASSWORD: "journal"
WEEKLY SKY REPORT: <http://www.griffithobservatory.org/sky/skyreport.html>
SATURN: <http://saturn.jpl.nasa.gov/home/index.cfm>
ROSETTA: <http://sci.esa.int/rosetta/>
DAWN: <http://dawn.jpl.nasa.gov/>
NEW HORIZONS: http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/newhorizons/main/

Contra PDU

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Para entender como el PDU propuesto impactará tu vecindario, visita la página web de Protege Todos Santos/*Protect Todos Santos* ahí puedes acceder a un mapa de zonificación y ver los cambios que se proponen en tu vecindario.



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abril

EXPOSICIÓN "VENTANAS DE BAJA CALIFORNIA SUR" de obras de Oliver Martínez en Museo de Arte Baja California Sur en La Paz. Obras expuestas hasta el 15 de abril de 2024.

2º ABC ART BAJA CALIFORNIA con eventos en Ensenada, Tijuana, La Paz, San José del Cabo, y Todos Santos hasta el 5 de mayo de 2024.

6 de abril | 10 am a 3 pm, TOUR DE LAS CASA HISTÓRICAS DE TODOS SANTOS. Este evento con duración de un día será para beneficio de los programas educativos de la **Sociedad de la Palapa de Todos Santos**. Los boletos se pueden comprar el día del evento en el Centro Cultural ubicado en la calle Benito Juárez. El costo de admisión es de \$300 pesos o \$20 dólares. Habrá guías disponibles en el Centro Cultural para ofrecer mayor información.

6 de abril | ECLIPSE SOLAR TOTAL. Desde la región del cabo de B.C.S., se logrará una totalidad del 95% eclipsado aproximadamente. El eclipse máximo será alrededor de las 11:04 am en Baja California Sur y aproximadamente a las 11:09 am en Sinaloa.

10 de abril | 3 pm, EXPERIENCIA DE COCINA: COMER PARA OBTENER UNA ENERGÍA IMPRESIONANTE en Estudio de Cocina Desierto Azul, Todos Santos. Aprenda a sentirse vibrante todo el día con ¡Alimentos que aumentan la energía! Comience su viaje hacia un estilo de vida más saludable con esta práctica. Experiencia en nutrición culinaria. Esta clase es en español.

13 de abril | 5 a 8 pm, FIESTA ANUAL DE AGRADECIMIENTO A LOS DONANTES DE LA SOCIEDAD DE LA PALAPA en La Palapa Centro de Aprendizaje. Gratis para los donantes de Palapa Society. Por favor confirme su asistencia para entradas@palapasociety.org

19 de abril | 12 a 1 pm, GRUPO DE LIBRO BIBLIOTECA ELENA PONIA-TOWSKA. Cada tercer viernes del

mes hasta junio de 2024. Para estimular el debate sobre los libros y el cambio climático.

24 de abril | 3 pm, EXPERIENCIA DE COCINA: PREPARACIÓN DE COMIDAS FÁCIL en Desierto Estudio de Cocina Azul, Todos Santos. Descubre trucos sencillos para planificar una alimentación saludable. Comience su viaje hacia un estilo de vida más saludable con esta práctica nutrición culinaria experiencia. Esta clase es en inglés.

26 al 28 de abril | FESTIVAL DEL CHILE, LA FRESA, Y SUS HIERBAS AROMÁTICAS en Pescadero.

30 de abril | DÍA DEL NIÑO.

mayo

1º de mayo | DÍA DEL TRABAJO.

3 de mayo | DÍA DE LA CRUZ / DÍA DEL ALBAÑIL.

3 al 5 de mayo | FIESTAS DE FUNDACIÓN DE LA PAZ.

5 de mayo | BATALLA DE PUEBLA.

8 de mayo | 3 pm, EXPERIENCIA DE COCINA: PREPARACIÓN DE COMIDAS FÁCIL en Desierto Azul Estudio de Cocina, Todos Santos. Descubre trucos sencillos para planificar una alimentación saludable. Comience su viaje hacia un estilo de vida más saludable con esta experiencia práctica de nutrición culinaria. Esta clase es en español.

10 al 12 de mayo | DOS MARES 500 CARRERA "OFF ROAD." LA PAZ AL CONSTITUCIÓN AL LA PAZ.

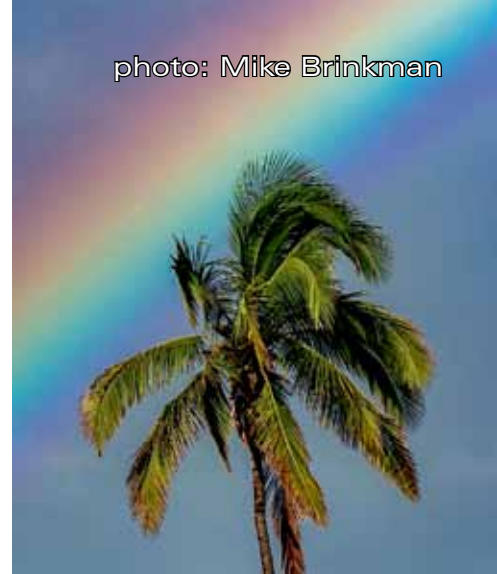
10 de mayo | DÍA DE LAS MADRES.

10 de mayo | JOURNAL DEL PACIFICO FECHA LIMITE PARA LA EDICIÓN VERANO 2024.

12 de mayo | DÍA DE LAS MADRES en EUA y Canadá.

17 de mayo | 12 a 1 pm, GRUPO DE LIBRO BIBLIOTECA ELENA PONIA-TOWSKA. Cada tercer viernes del mes hasta junio de 2024. Para estimular el debate sobre los libros y el cambio climático.

photo: Mike Brinkman



22 de mayo | 3 pm, EXPERIENCIA DE COCINA: COMIDA ANTIINFLAMATORIA en Estudio de Cocina Desierto Azul, Todos Santos. Aprenda a reducir la inflamación con comida deliciosa! Comience su viaje hacia un estilo de vida más saludable con esta práctica culinaria. Experiencia en nutrición. Esta clase es en inglés.

junio

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2 de junio | DIA DE ELECCIONES en México.

9 de junio | ¡BRINDEMOS POR 7 AÑOS! SUPER SESIONES DE DOMINGO. Todos Santos Brewing celebra su séptimo aniversario.

16 de junio | DÍA DEL PADRE.

21 de junio | SOLSTICIO DE VERANO.

21 de junio | 12 a 1 pm, GRUPO DE LIBRO BIBLIOTECA ELENA PONIA-TOWSKA. Cada tercer viernes del mes hasta junio de 2024. Para estimular el debate sobre los libros y el cambio climático.



Cada Semana

domingo

8 am a 2 pm, **MERCADO LOCAL** en **La Esquina Café** en el otro lado.

8:30 am a 2 pm, **MERCADO ORGÁNICO Y MÚSICA EN VIVO** en Cafetería Baja Beans, Pescadero.

6 pm, **SESIÓN DE DOMINGOS** en Todos Santos Brewing.

lunes

10 am a 1 pm, **BIBLIOTECA PALAPA ABIERTO**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

LUNES DE MEATLOAF/PASTEL DE CARNE en Shut Up Frank's en Todos Santos. Meatloaf con sus guarniciones por \$225 pesos.

5 a 6 pm, **BIBLIOTECA INFANTIL ELENA PONIAOWSKA ABIERTO**.

martes

8:30 am a 2 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO DE LA PAZ** en calle Rosales entre Obregón y Madero, La Paz.

4 pm, **MARTES DE TACOS** en **Chill N Grill** en Todos Santos.

5 a 6 pm, **BIBLIOTECA INFANTIL ELENA PONIAOWSKA ABIERTO**.

miércoles

7 am a 2 pm, **COMPOST CHINGROWN** en **La Esquina Café** en Todos Santos. Desperdicios de cocina gratis punto de entrega. \$120 pesos por 5 galones de tierra de jardín. Trae tu propio balde.

8 am a 2 pm, **MERCADO LOCAL** en **La Esquina Café** en el otro lado.

10 am a 1 pm, **BIBLIOTECA PALAPA ABIERTO**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

jueves

9 am a 2 pm, **CENTRO DE RECICLADO PUNTO VERDE**, atrás de Super Pollo entrando por Calle del Huerto, extremo sur de Todos Santos. Traiga su papel, cartón, plásticos de No. 1 y 2, baterías, latas, metal, unicel, y electrónicos. Donativo mínimo 50 pesos, electrónicos 80 pesos. Favor de separar y limpiar materiales. Mayores informes: ecorrevolucionmx@gmail.com, (612) 139-4789.

12 pm, **CLUB DE CONVERSACIÓN ESPAÑOL** en **Hablando Mexicano** en Todos Santos.

5 pm, **MUSICA EN VIVO** con The Cordovas y Amigos en **La Esquina Café** en el otro lado.

5 a 6 pm, **BIBLIOTECA INFANTIL ELENA PONIAOWSKA ABIERTO**.

5 a 9 pm, **CAMINATA DEL ARTE** en San José del Cabo, en el distrito de las galerías. Todas las galerías que participan estarán abiertas hasta las 9 pm y muchas tienen recepciones y eventos especiales. Noviembre hasta Julio.

viernes

9 am a 2 pm, **CENTRO DE RECICLADO PUNTO VERDE**, atrás de Super Pollo entrando por Calle del Huerto, extremo sur de Todos Santos. Traiga su papel, cartón, plásticos de No. 1 y 2, baterías, latas, metal, unicel, y electrónicos. Donativo mínimo 50 pesos, electrónicos 80 pesos. Favor de separar y limpiar materiales. Mayores informes:

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9 am – 2 pm, **MERCADO ORGÁNICO TODOS SANTOS** en Palma Serena en el Callejón, Todos Santos.

10 am a 1 pm, **BIBLIOTECA PALAPA ABIERTO**, Todos Santos. Palapalibrary@gmail.com

CLASE DE COCINA en **Hablando Mexicano** en Todos Santos. Ver <https://www.hablandomexicano.com/> para el menú y precios.

POLLO FRITO en Shut up Frank's en Todos Santos. Pollo frito entero con puré de papa y ensalada por \$225 pesos.

6 pm, **NOCHE DE TRIVIA** en el Todos Santos Brewing.

sábado

7 am a 2 pm, **CENTRO DE RECICLADO PUNTO VERDE**, enfrente 5 Tacos y Beer en Las Tunas. Traiga su papel, cartón, plásticos de No. 1 y 2, baterías, latas, metal, unicel, y electrónicos. Donativo mínimo 50 pesos, electrónicos 80 pesos. Favor de separar y limpiar materiales. Mayores informes: ecorrevolucionmx@gmail.com, (612) 139-4789.

8:30 am a 2 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO DE LA PAZ** en calle Rosales entre Obregón y Madero, La Paz.

9 am a 3 pm, **EL MERCADO ORGÁNICO** en San José del Cabo está ligeramente afuera del distrito de arte histórico en la Huerta María en el Camino a las Ánimas. Noviembre hasta el fin de Junio.

9 am a 1 pm, **TIANGUIS NATURAL MALECÓN** (Mercado) en el Callejón Cabezud es en La Paz—el área entre calle Esquerro y el Malecón ubicado en el mural Wyland y la escultura del músico tocando el caracol.

10 am a 2 pm, **BIBLIOTECA INFANTIL ELENA PONIAOWSKA ABIERTO**.

10 am a 2 pm, **MERCADO** en Gypsea's en Pescadero, comienza en Noviembre.

10:30 am a 2 pm, **MERCADO RANCHERO** en Todos Santos, con arte, muebles y productos frescos de los ranchos de la zona, que incluyen queso, pollo y carne.

1 a 4 pm, **UNPLUGGED EN EL PATIO** de Allende Books en La Paz. Micrófono acústico abierto. Todos son bienvenidos.

6 pm, **SÁBADO DE CANTAUTORES** en el Todos Santos Brewing.

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Tierra, empieza a alejarse del ecuador y a dirigirse hacia los polos Norte y Sur. El aire que sube al norte del ecuador fluye al norte y el aire que sube al sur del ecuador fluye hacia el sur. Cuando el aire que se encuentra en las altitudes superiores se enfría, vuelve a caer cerca de la superficie del planeta Tierra y fluye de nuevo en la dirección del ecuador, para otra vez volver a calentarse, empezando así todo el proceso nuevamente en un patrón circular que se conoce como convección.

La convección sucede en todos lados en una escala global y puede verse influenciada por tormentas individuales y frentes climáticos. Aun con estos tipos de interrupciones en el flujo, existe un patrón de movimiento en la atmósfera del planeta Tierra que se conoce como circulación atmosférica. Los patrones que ocurren en una escala más pequeña e individual, también son afectados por el movimiento del giro de la Tierra. Debido al movimiento de rotación de la Tierra el aire que se mueve al norte y al sur, también se encontrará viajando hacia el este y oeste. El aire que se mueve hacia el norte se desviará también hacia la derecha y de igual manera el aire moviéndose al sur se desviará a la izquierda, esta fuerza se conoce como el efecto Coriolis. Si la Tierra fuera estática y no girara, solo habría dos celdas de convección muy grandes en cada lado del ecuador, en vez de seis, tres en cada lado del ecuador, que son creadas por el movimiento del planeta Tierra, y los patrones del viento y el clima, serían muy diferentes a como los conocemos ahora.

Otro factor interesante del movimiento del viento es que cuando el aire sube, crea una zona de baja presión al nivel del suelo, permitiendo así que el aire en las zonas que lo rodean se mueva hacia el espacio que dejó el aire que acaba de subir. Este aire fluye horizontalmente (lo que se conoce como advección) en la troposfera, que es el nivel más bajo de la atmósfera, el cual está en contacto directo con la superficie de la Tierra. La mayor parte de los fenómenos climáticos más impresionantes ocurren en esta capa, donde la turbulencia, los sistemas de tormenta, la convección, y las nubes llegan a formar parte del movimiento del aire.

Grandes cuerpos de agua como el océano, mantienen su temperatura, ya que el agua se calienta y enfría más lentamente que la tierra. Las brisas marinas soplan desde los océanos más fríos hacia la cálida tierra en el verano, mientras el efecto opuesto ocurre en el invierno, con las brisas soplando costa afuera desde la tierra cálida hacia el océano frío. En una escala de temperaturas y fuerzas mayores, los vientos monzónicos ocurren cuando las masas de tierra que se localizan junto al mar se calientan sustancialmente en el verano, creando vientos más fuertes y tormentas eléctricas todos los días.

Las nubes son un indicador maravilloso del movimiento del viento. Sus formas, tamaños, patrones y colores, nos permiten visualizar lo que el viento, el clima, y las temperaturas del planeta Tierra y el mar están haciendo y creando día con día.



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you to join them in the following initiatives to help preserve the habitats of Baja California that both our native and migratory species depend on:

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Are We Running Out of Water?

The Todos Santos region is facing a severe water crisis, with OOMSAPAS, the municipal water company, no longer issuing water permits for new construction. CONAGUA, the government commission that manages national water systems, recently released data showing a significant increase in the over extraction of water from the Todos Santos aquifer than is naturally replenished, from 30% in 2020 to 80% in 2023, driven by increased construction growth over the past three years. The proposed PDU relies on outdated 2020 water extraction data. It fails to address this crisis or offer recommendations for solving it. In fact, it will dramatically increase the water problem.

¿Nos Estamos Quedando Sin Agua?

La región de Todos Santos está enfrentando una severa crisis de agua, con el OOMSAPA, la organización municipal del agua, que ya no está otorgando más permisos para nuevas construcciones. Datos publicados recientemente por la CONAGUA, la comisión gubernamental que se encarga de los sistemas de agua nacionales, revelan un incremento significativo en la sobre extracción de agua del acuífero de Todos Santos, más que lo que se vuelve a llenar naturalmente, de 30% en 2020 a un 80% en 2023, alcanzado por un elevado crecimiento en la construcción en los pasados tres años. El propuesto PDU se basa en la información de la extracción del agua del 2020, ya obsoleta. Este PDU no logra abordar esta crisis u ofrecer recomendaciones de cómo resolverla, y de hecho con la aprobación este PDU se incrementaría dramáticamente el problema del agua.

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“Es muy emocionante poder ver todo esto,” afirma Caitlin. “Uno de mis objetivos clave en la Academia del Anciano Moderno/MEA es el de ayudar en la integración de las partes interesadas de la comunidad, apoyar los esfuerzos que son importantes para la comunidad y que son impulsados por la comunidad. ¡Estamos ansiosos de ver que es lo que hará el Comité de Ciudadanos a continuación!”

Si te gustaría unirse a la Academia del Anciano Moderno/MEA, La Escuela de Surf de Mario y otros en apoyar los proyectos del Comité de Ciudadanos de El Pescadero,

por favor ponte en contacto directo con Geovani a su dirección de correo electrónico Gemmri@hotmail.com o con Caitlin a su dirección de correo electrónico caitlin@meawisdom.com .

UNAS PALABRAS DE AGRADECIMIENTO DE GEOVANI:
Quiero agradecer a todos y cada uno de los miembros del comité: A Ricardo García de León Vicepresidente, al Subdelegado Mario alonso Avilés, a el Comisariado ejidal Carlos Alberto Salgado Zazueta, Lumber Roch!n Secretario, PESCADERO continúa en página 54



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monday / lunes

6, 7, 8 & 9 am, 5 pm, **CROSSFIT @ Cross2Box**, Todos Santos.

7 am, **TS OPEN WATERS SWIMMING @ Punta Lobos**, Todos Santos. Facebook/Instagram: Sasha from Russia

7:30 am, **YOGA W/C MAYRA @ Baja Serena**, Pescadero.

7:30 am, **COMMUNITY MEDITATION W/C ANDREA & JORDAN @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

8:15 am, **FUSION FITNESS @ Cross2Box**, Todos Santos.

9 am, **YOGA W/C MARIMAR @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

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10:30 am, **YOGA FOR HEALTHY AGING W/C LISA @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

11 am, **AA MEETING**. On the rooftop at Ricardo Amigo Real Estate on calle Centenario in Todos Santos. For info: Erick (612)156-9980.

12:30 pm, **YOGA FLOW & NIDRA W/C HOLLY NICOLE @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

4 pm, **AERIAL DANCE KIDS 6 - 12 W/C VANNYA @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

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tuesday / martes

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7:30 am, **YOGA W/C MAYRA @ Baja Serena**, Pescadero.

9 am, **ZUMBA W/C JAN @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

10:30 am, **VINYASA YOGA W/C GABRIELLE @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

4 pm, **FITNESS BOXING @ Cross2Box**, Todos Santos.

4 pm, **YOGA FLOW AND NIDRA W/C HOLLY NICOLE @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

6 pm, **DANCE FITNESS W/C NATHALIE @ Cuatro Vientos**, en Español Todos Santos.

wednesday / miércoles

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4 pm, **YOGA NIDRA WITH LIVE INSTRUMENTS W/C BEATRICE @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

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thursday / jueves

6, 7, 8 & 9 am, 5 pm, **CROSSFIT @ Cross2Box**, Todos Santos.

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9 am, **ZUMBA W/C JAN @ Cuatro Vientos**, Todos Santos.

9 am, **WOMEN'S AA MEETING** at Casa Janna. Call Janna for information: (612) 127-0215.

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friday / viernes

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9 am, YOGA W/C MARIMAR @ Cuatro Vientos, Todos Santos.

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9:15 am FUSION FITNESS @ Cross2Box, Todos Santos.

11 am, QI GONG W/C TOVA @ Cuatro Vientos, Todos Santos.

12:30 pm, VAJRA DANCE @ Cuatro Vientos, Todos Santos.

5 pm, AA MEETING. On the rooftop at Ricardo Amigo Real Estate on calle Centenario in Todos Santos. For info: Erick (612)156-9980.

6 pm, CONTACT IMPROVISATION W/C GERMÁN @ Cuatro Vientos, Todos Santos.

saturday / sábado

7:30 am, HIIT WORKOUT W/C CLARA @ Cuatro Vientos, Todos Santos.

9 am, VINYASA FLOW YOGA W/C LIZ @ Cuatro Vientos, Todos Santos.

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photography 25-ish years ago on his dad's old Canon 35mm DSLR. Ah, film, the good old days. After a short stint learning how to shoot on film, he then started to get more into playing around with camcorders and then GoPros and making action and travel videos.

When it came time to quit his engineering career and think of which potential new career paths he might take, photography and videography were the first things to pop into his head. "I wanted to explore the creative side of my brain more" says Mike. "I love to challenge myself and try new things, and photography and videography seemed like it would be fun to pursue. And I've always been more of a visual communicator rather than verbal, so I've appreciated how photography has allowed me to connect with more people that way."

As far as what the future of photography and videography holds, and what challenges are next for Mike, he says "I'd love to be a ski photographer. Skiing is my biggest passion; it would be cool to combine the two things I'm currently most passionate about." Stay tuned...

Mike currently has a showing of his Baja landscape photography called "Vida Choyera" (aka Baja Life) at La Katrina Surf + Supply on the *otro lado*, Todos Santos. The gallery consists of 25 images from all around Baja printed on textured metal which provides a pure matte, non-reflective finish. You can view the images seven days a week until the end of summer.

Follow Mike on Instagram (@mikebrinkmanphotography), Facebook (Mike Brinkman Photography) or view his full portfolio on his website: mikebrinkmanphotography.com.



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