

## LA LEP 2017

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## LEP 2017 – Estonian Republic 100

The Estonian Republic will honor an historic event when it celebrates its 100th year. You can come celebrate too and be a part of the biggest North American Estonia 100 Celebration in Los Angeles, August 31 to September 4th 2017.

You are all invited to celebrate Estonian heritage and culture with us. Estonians have lived through the good and bad times throughout those years, and there is one thing which always unites us together. We celebrate our rich culture and heritage and support of each other. We supported each other in the end of 1980's and became a free country again in 1991. Now in 2017 it feels like our political views and events in Estonia, Europe, USA and all over the world are trying to separate us again.

Let's support each other again and celebrate our heritage here in Los Angeles at LEP 2017. Only if we bond together our culture will remain in the world for centuries to come. For that reason we made this event a conference and a celebration with easy to navigate packages for everyone. We designed this so most would be able to attend all the events. You miss so much of our

culture if you only come to the party. And this is about all meeting for a weekend and supporting each other. For the first time ever, anyone under 12 will be admitted for free, they must order a pass and not all events are included. Please select your pass package HERE.

Many great events are waiting for you:

Seminars, panels, movies, theater, Singing Festival, Folk festival, Opening Ceremony and Centennial Ball and an official after party!

The Opening Ceremony and the Centennial Ball have only 250 seats so please buy your package immediately and don't miss out. To celebrate Estonia 100 we give free "Wear it now LEP 2017" T-shirt to the first 100 buyers in every category and we will ship them to your home before end of April so you can wear it proudly and show your friends where you will be for the Labor Day weekend in 2017.

As you all know LEP happens with great effort from volunteers and sponsors that started this work over a year ago. Take a moment to thank them at the event, but also support the sponsors

when you can. You can view a <u>list here</u>. Support and appreciate the small Estonian community and sponsors that makes this happen.

Also, if you love our culture and want to support it, please donate any amount you can here. Donations go directly to pay for Estonian performer's accommodation and meal costs. Or if you want to be LEP 2017 sponsor please reach out to us at lalep2017@gmail.com and we will make the perfect package for you. A great way to get your name and business in front of your community.

A couple of ways sponsors help and benefit. If you buy a pass, The Estonian Car Museum will give you free entry into their museum.

Estonian designer shoe company "Uncle Paul" is giving away one pair of women and one pair of men shoes in every event! You can pick them up in Estonia at their store in Tallinn.

See you at LEP 2017 and remember to smile and support each other!

Yours,

LEP 2017

\*Please Note: If you or anyone you know is not able to buy a pass due to financial difficulties please reach out to us. All information will be confidential, but many in the community offered to help anonymously so that Estonia and its culture and people can always unite. These passes are limited.

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Lääneranniku Eesti Päevad toimuvad 2017. aastal 31. augustist – 4.septembrini Los Angeleses, (UCLA Campuses) 33. korda. Lääneranniku Eesti Päevad (LEP 2017) on 5-päevane Eesti kultuuri festival. Traditsioonidega festival on ühendanud koorilaulu, rahvatantsu, perepiknikud, piduliku gala ja igaõhtuse koosviibimise klubis. Üle 600 osaleja tulevad põhiliselt Põhja-Ameerikast ja Eestist. Ei oma tähtsust kas osavõtja on traditsioone väärtustav põliseestlane või puutub Eesti kultuuriga kokku esimest korda, kõik on oodatud.

Lääneranniku Eesti Päevad on aastakümneid näidanud eestlaste ühtekuuluvust ja aastaid kandnud Eesti vabaks saamise eesmärki. Nüüd, kus Eesti on juba üle 25 aasta jälle vaba, on LEP enam-vähem samadel traditsioonidel toimunud.

Lääneranniku päevade korraldamine on iga 2 aasta tagant ühe lääneranniku linna eestlaste korraldada ja iga 10 aasta tagant on korraldajaks maailma loovamjandusepealinn ja kasvav IT linn Los Angeles.

Erinevate <u>ürituste üksikpileteid</u> **ei müüda**. Saadaval on vaid konverentsipassid mida võimalik osta interneti

audu via "Cardconnect secure card" maksusüsteemi kaudu. Palun mitte tšekke saata. Panga ülekande süsteem USAs ei toimi.

Toetame teineteist ning austame oma ühist kultuuri, meie kombeid ja traditsioone siin Los Angeleses, osaledes LEP 2017-l.

Vaid ühinemisega oma kultuuris saame koos elus hoida eesti mõtet maailma mastaabil!
Eesti Päevad on organiseeritud kui konverents kus saame koos elada, laulda, tantsida ja lihtsalt olla. Nende eesmärkidega oleme üritanud teha broneerimist ja plaanimist nii lihtsaks kui võimalik ning pakume pakette mitmes hinnas, saadaval kõigile. Tahame lihtsaks teha LEP külastamist! Ja tahame, et võtate osa mitmest üritusest kuna kõik on lõbus, liigutav ja osa meist! Terve see neljapäevane nädalavahetus on just selleks pühendatud. Lapsed vanusega alla aastat 12 on tasuta kuid peab neile passi tellima. NB! Kõik üritused aga lastepassi alla ei kuulu.

Täpsem info: www.lalep2017.com

Palun tähelepanu! Kui majanduslikult tekib probleem passide ostmisega, palun põõrduda juhatuse poole emailiga. On tehtud ettepanek soodustada osavõttu neile, kes rahaliselt passe ei suuda osta. LEP 2017 ei tsoovi näha, et majanduslikel põhjusetel jääte tulemata. Meie kultuuri säilitamine on palju olulisem. Sooviavaldused jäävad konfidentsiaalseks. Sooduspasside arv on aga kahjuks piiratud.

## For more about UCLA Conference Services please click here.

The 33rd West Coast Days will take place from 31 August to 3 September 2017 on the UCLA campus in Los Angeles. The four-day festival celebrates Estonian traditions and includes choral music, folk dancing, family picnics, a formal ball, and informal get-togethers at our speakeasy. We are expecting more than 600 guests, most of whom are Estonians living in North America and in Estonia. Whether a person is deeply involved in Estonian culture and traditions or is encountering them for the first time, we hope they all take part in this festival.

The parking is \$12 until next day 6 am and you can go in and out as many times as you want. You can buy it at the kiosk in the parking lot, or at Front Desk.

The University is not liable for theft, damage to, or loss of vehicles parked on campus. But you need to pay an extra day if you check out after 6 am.

The West Coast Days and the worldwide Esto have been important in reaffirming Estonians' sense of community and solidarity in the face of Soviet occupation. Estonia has been an independent state for the past 25 years, but we retain pride in our culture, language, and traditions.

The West Coast Estonian Days takes place every other year and it returns to Los Angeles—a vacation destination, entertainment capital, and a growing IT power—every decade. It offers a golden opportunity to introduce Estonian culture from film to art to music and its tech industry to the American market.