



Book Fairs & Reading Events for Families



If your family loves books, reading, and literary fun, there are several exciting events coming up in Southern California that are perfect for kids, parents, and story lovers. Between September 18 and October 1, libraries, museums, and community spaces will be filled with opportunities to spark young imaginations and celebrate the joy of reading.

Nikkei Children's Book Festival — Saturday, September 20, 2025, Japanese American National Museum (Los Angeles). This annual festival celebrates children's literature, family storytelling, and cultural connections. The day includes author readings, Q&A sessions, creative activities, and a special pop-up bookstore. It's an enriching experience for families looking to enjoy books while also exploring Japanese American culture.

Library Happenings Across LA County — Throughout late September, the LA County Library is offering themed storytimes, youth author talks, reading challenges, and special "Staff Picks" programs at various branches. These free local events are perfect for younger readers and caregivers alike.

Orange County Children's Book Festival — Sunday, September 22, 2025, in Costa Mesa. This free, family-friendly festival features dozens of authors and illustrators, storytelling stages, book vendors, and interactive programs. It's one of the largest and most beloved children's book celebrations in the region.

Gardena & Local LA County Library Branches — Branches like Gardena are adding special youth and all-ages events this month. If you're looking for something closer to home, check your local branch calendar for storytimes, book clubs, or drop-in reading sessions.

Fall into Books Fest — Saturday, September 20, 2025, Orange County. While this festival leans toward YA, adult romance, and science fiction/fantasy, it often includes vendor booths and author panels that families can enjoy together. A good option for households with teens or young adult readers.

With options ranging from museum-based celebrations to large-scale festivals and neighborhood library programs, this September is the perfect time to share the love of reading with your family.

Lightness & Tension

Brazilian Design in Los Angeles

September 5 - 19



Christie's Los Angeles opens *Lightness & Tension*, a landmark exhibition curated by Ulysses de Santi. The show brings together two visionary Brazilian designers across generations, offering a rare opportunity to experience their work in direct dialogue.

On one side, visitors encounter the timeless craftsmanship of Joaquim Tenreiro, the mid-century master celebrated for his elegant, sculptural wood furniture that helped define modern design in Brazil. Opposite him stands contemporary artist Lucas Simões, who debuts striking new pieces forged from concrete, metal, and richly upholstered forms. Simões pushes the boundaries of furniture into sculptural territory, creating objects that feel at once architectural and experimental.

By pairing Tenreiro's graceful modernist clarity with Simões' bold material explorations, *Lightness & Tension* creates a layered conversation about tradition, innovation, and the enduring power of design. An immersive exhibition design amplifies this dialogue, inviting visitors to move through the space as though stepping into a living exchange between eras.

For design lovers, collectors, and anyone curious about Brazilian creativity, this exhibition offers a rare chance to see two generations of artistry in conversation — bridging history and the present, refinement and risk, lightness and tension.



September 15 to October 15

Upcoming Events for September - October

September 19
The Who
Hollywood Bowl
Los Angeles, CA

September 19
Whiskey & Wine Bash
Estancia La Jolla Hotel
La Jolla, CA

September 19 - 20
Route 66 Cruisin' Reunion
Downtown Ontario
Ontario, CA

September 23
Billy Idol - Joan Jett
N. Island Credit Un. Amp.
Chula Vista, CA

September 28
LA Rams vs. In. Colts
SoFi Stadium
Inglewood, CA

October 5
LAFC vs. Atlanta
BMO Stadium
Los Angeles, CA



Whiskey & Wine Bash 9/19



A Sweet Escape: Los Angeles Chocolate Salon & Festival

Chocolate lovers, rejoice! The Los Angeles Chocolate Salon & Festival returns on Sunday, October 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., bringing together artisan chocolatiers, confectioners, and culinary artists for a decadent celebration. Guests can indulge

in tastings, discover new chocolate creations, and meet the makers behind the craft. From rich truffles to innovative pairings, it's the perfect excuse to savor a little luxury in every bite. This event takes place at the Pasadena Center in Pasadena.



Don't Miss Your Chance at a \$50K Classroom Makeover

The KI Classroom Furniture Giveaway is back! We're excited to share that we've already helped educators win two years in a row. Now, it's your chance to imagine what a \$50,000 furniture makeover could mean for your students.

Apply in 4 easy steps:

- Step 1** - Schedule a meeting with a bluespace designer.
- Step 2** - Design the classroom of your dreams with bluespace using KI's Classroom Planner.
- Step 3** - Complete the entry form and attach the design image.
- Step 4** - Follow KI and bluespace on social channels for updates.

Don't wait, let's get designing together! Connect with us today, and we'll help you prepare your layout so you're ready to submit as soon as entries open on

Deadline to submit your designs: September 29 to October 17, 2025.

[How to Enter](#)



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BuzziSpace BuzziChicle - planter | Ghent Reliant - display case | **HON** 10500 - casegoods, Step, Empower, Cliq | **Kimball** Brutus - bookcase | **Everyspace** - media center | **OFS** Intermix - planter | **Safco** Six Tier - lockers | **Stylex** Cala - laptop table | **Via Seating** Eclipse - multi-purpose seating | **Watson** Tonic - work table.