

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## EATON CANYON NATURE CENTER CELEBRATES OAK TREES WITH A COMMUNITY EVENT FEATURING LOCAL ARTIST JENNIFER BENTSON

**PASADENA** – The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation invites the public to attend a *Celebration of Oaks* event on Saturday, Oct. 29, during which the public can enjoy a day filled with fun activities, including a watercolor workshop with a local artist.

The event, held in partnership with the Eaton Canyon Nature Center Associates, starts at 8:30 a.m. and will be held at Eaton Canyon Nature Center and Natural Area, 1750 N. Altadena Dr. in Pasadena.

One of the highlights will be a watercolor workshop beginning at 8:30 a.m. with local artist Jennifer Bentson, author of *Pasadena Oaks*. The workshop, which costs \$5, will be repeated at 1:30 p.m.

Other planned activities include a book signing and author talk with Bentson at 10 a.m., an oak tree care presentation at 11 a.m., crafts for children and free oak trees provided by the County of Los Angeles Fire Department Forestry Division.

Advance registration is required for the watercolor workshops either in person at the Nature Center, or residents may mail a check to the Nature Center in the amount of \$5 made payable to the Eaton Canyon Nature Center Associates. A registration form for the watercolor workshop is available at <a href="https://www.enca.org">www.enca.org</a>.

This Celebration of the Oaks event recognizes the fact that oak trees are iconic symbols of California's natural heritage. These trees are abundant throughout Southern California, including at Eaton Canyon Nature Center and Natural Area.

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