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| **Tuesday, June 4, 2013130604-1****In this Issue:****Metro Transportation Research Library Wins Innovation Award****Wilshire Boulevard Bus and Rapid Transit** **Metro Featured in Guide to Los Angeles Arts & Culture** |
| **Metro Transportation Research Library Wins Innovation Award** The Metro Research Library, Archives & Records Management department has been awarded the Special Library Association's Transportation Division 2013 Innovation Award. The Division, representing transportation librarians in the United States and abroad, recognizes one project, technique, tool, or practical solution each year that has improved or has the potential to improve access, dissemination, or retrieval of transportation information for stakeholders.  Research Librarians Matthew Barrett and Kenn Bicknell are being honored for their Los Angeles Transportation Headlines, an aggregation of news, information and research related to transit and transportation in Southern California. The Transportation Headlines have been published since fall 2005. The Innovation Award will be presented to Matthew and Kenn at the SLA annual conference in San Diego on Saturday, June 8, 2013. Metro's predecessor, Henry E. Huntington's Los Angeles Railway and its Librarian Emma Quigley, was one of the 16 founding members of the Special Library Association's Transportation Division in 1943. To view the article, please click [here](http://transportation.sla.org/2013/05/31/lacmta-library-archive-earns-2013-transportation-division-innovation-award/).(<http://transportation.sla.org/2013/05/31/lacmta-library-archive-earns-2013-transportation-division-innovation-award/>). **Wilshire Boulevard Bus and Rapid Transit**Today, Metro Media Relations held a news conference and media event with Metro Board Members Antonio Villaraigosa, Zev Yaroslavsky, Richard Katz, officials from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration and Metro Deputy CEO Paul Taylor to celebrate the grand opening of the Wilshire Boulevard Bus Rapid Transit. Media coverage included Los Angeles Times, KABC, KCAL/KCBS, Fox 11 & 13, Channel 54, Channel 35, LA 18, MBC News, KBS, Korean Daily, Downtown News, Korea Times, Skylink (Chinese) and KPCC.org. Stories are expected to run today.  **Metro Featured in Guide to Los Angeles Arts & Culture**Metro is featured this month in a U.S. Airways Magazine special section, which highlights arts destinations throughout Los Angeles County and points to Metro as a means of reaching them. The 114-page section, called “Arts & Culture, L.A. Style,” will reach some 6 million travelers aboard US Airways flights in June, and remain on the [U.S. Airways website](http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/pace/usairways_june2013/#/72) for six months. Copies also will be distributed to visitors by the Los Angeles Tourism and Convention Board. After a mention of public transportation in the introduction on page 71, most of the articles about specific destinations feature a box of particulars including how to get there on Metro (see page 77, lower right corner, for an example). The Go Metro map together with other information about using the system is on page 168-169. |
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