

Hollywood/Highland Metro Rail Station Stars in Hollywood Remake

- **Hollywood/Highland Tour Led by Mayor Includes Sneak Peek of Future Home of the Oscars. See [Gallery](#) for virtual tour.**

By GAYLE ANDERSON, Associate Editor
(March 21) A crush of media greeted Mayor Richard Riordan and MTA officials as they arrived by subway to tour the Metro Red Line station at Hollywood/Highland Tuesday morning.

"We're here six months ahead of schedule and under budget," announced a triumphant Dennis Mori, North Hollywood construction chief whose refrain was immediately echoed by media reports.





The Mayor and Hollywood business leaders celebrated the subway as a major player in Hollywood's renaissance during a press conference attended by more than 20 news media outlets, including seven newspapers, three radio news stations, and eight television news crews.






Following a tour of the station's artwork led by Metro Art Director Maya Emsden, the entourage emerged from the subway for a sneak peek at the construction site of TrizecHahn's *Hollywood & Highland* entertainment and retail complex. The 640,000-square-foot development, that features the Academy Theater, (the future home of the Oscars), shops, restaurants and cinemas, is a \$430-million joint venture with the MTA. It is expected to open in Fall, 2001.

The opening of the 6.3-mile subway extension to the San Fernando Valley is scheduled to open June 24.

GALLERY
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	View from the Mezzanine at Hollywood/Highland station.
	Mayor Richard Riordan arrives by subway.
	Quote of the day from Dennis Mori: "Six months ahead of schedule and under budget."
	Mayor Richard Riordan: "Smooth ride."

	Metro Art Director Maya Emsden on station's artwork.
	Media Relations Director Marc Littman lines up press conference.
	Media's eyes wide open at stairway entrance.
	The sky above reveals TrizecHahn construction.
	TrizecHahn developer David Malmuth and MTA COO Allan Lipsky on the set of Hollywood's renaissance.

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