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## Academy Awards to Affect 5 Bus Lines, Metro Red Line

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(Feb. 19, 2004) Metro will begin rerouting several Hollywood Boulevard bus lines on Monday, Feb. 23, to accommodate preparations for the Feb. 29 Academy Awards ceremony.

The detours will be in place near the Kodak Theater at Hollywood and Highland.

Beginning at 11 a.m., Monday, Hollywood Boulevard will be closed between Highland Avenue and Orange Drive for six days to allow for construction of press risers, fan bleachers and pre-show stages for the 76th Annual Academy Awards red carpet area.

The Metro Red Line station at Hollywood and Highland will be closed all day on Sunday, Feb. 29. Trains will continue to operate, bypassing the Hollywood/Highland station. No public access will be permitted at the station that day. Regular service at the station will resume on Monday, March 1.

## No Hollywood Blvd. service

No Metro Bus service will run on Hollywood Boulevard between La Brea Avenue and Vine Street or on Highland Avenue between Santa Monica Boulevard and Odin Street on Sunday, Feb. 29.

All Metro Bus stops will be posted with instructions on where to board buses during the detours. Hollywood Boulevard will be reopened by noon on Monday, March 1.

The detours will affect Metro Bus lines 212, 217, 156, 210 and 163.

Lines 212 and 217 will not run on Hollywood Boulevard between La Brea Avenue and Highland beginning Tuesday, Feb. 24 through noon Monday, March 1.

## Detour onto Sunset

On Sunday, Feb. 29, lines 212 and 217 will run on Sunset Boulevard between Vine Street and La Brea. Line 156 will detour on Vine Street between Santa Monica Boulevard and Hollywood Boulevard.

Lines 210 and 163 will not run on Hollywood Boulevard between Highland Avenue and Vine Street beginning Thursday, Feb. 26 through Monday morning, March 1.

Line 163 will start service at Argyle Avenue and Hollywood Boulevard from Thursday through Monday. Line 210 will start at Vine Street and Hollywood Boulevard.

All detours are subject to change on Sunday prior to, during and after the awards ceremony due to additional unscheduled street closures as

ordered by LAPD.

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