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## **Go Metro to Lummis Day Festival June 3 for Less Than the Cost of a Gallon of Gas**



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Travel in comfort via Metro Sunday, June 3, to celebrate Southern California's rich and varied cultural traditions in music, art, dance, food, poetry and history at the second annual Lummis Day: The Festival of Northeast Los Angeles. Take the Metro Gold Line to the Southwest Museum station, exit the train and walk 10 minutes to the Lummis Home. It's easy and you can relax while you ride for less than the price of a gallon of gas on a \$3 Metro day pass.

Last year's inaugural Festival drew more than 1,500 participants. More than 25 community groups, a dozen galleries and a half dozen restaurants participated in the free event.

Lummis Day takes its name from one of Los Angeles' founders, Charles Fletcher Lummis, who served as the Los Angeles Times' first city editor upon his arrival in L.A. in 1885, following a trek across the country from Cincinnati. Lummis, who was one of the city's first librarians, founded the Southwest Museum, was a published poet and author and helped introduce the concept of multiculturalism to Southern California.

Principal activities will begin at the Lummis Home, 200 E. Avenue 43, with an 11 a.m. poetry reading, followed by a "trek" along the Arroyo Seco riverbed to Sycamore Grove Park, 4900 N. Figueroa St. At Sycamore Grove Park, music, art, multicultural performances and food service will begin at noon and run continuously until 7 p.m.

Lummis Day is presented by Occidental College and sponsored in part by Metro, the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council, the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council, the Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council and the Autry Center for the American West.

For more information on getting there, go to [www.metro.net](http://www.metro.net). For more information on Lummis Day go to [www.lummisday.org](http://www.lummisday.org)

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