# 2016 Metro Pop-Up Gold Medalist Series Event Roster

### Paul Gonzales – August 5 – Metro El Monte Bus Station

- Gold Medalist Boxing Light Flyweight '84 Los Angeles Games
- Val Barker Trophy top pound-for-pound boxer of the Games
- 1983 United States Light Flyweight Champion
- IBF World Bantamweight Champion
- 18 National AAU titles

### Shirley Babashoff – August 8 – Union Station

- 3-time Gold Medalist Swimming '72 Munich Games and '76 Montreal Games
- 8 total Olympic Medals
- 6 world records 37 U.S. records
- International Swimming Hall of Fame
- 2005 Olympic Order Highest honor of the Olympics movement

### John Naber – August 9 – Sierra Madre Villa Station of the Metro Gold Line

- 4-time Gold Medal Swimming '76 Montreal Games
- Each Gold was won in world record time
- Two world records stood for 7 years
- 1977 James E. Sullivan Award Top American Amateur Athlete of the Year
- Led USC to 4 NCAA swimming titles
- Member of the International Swimming Hall of Fame
- Broadcaster, writer, motivational speaker

### John Naber – August 10 – Culver City Station of the Metro Expo Line

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### Julianne McNamara – August 11 – North Hollywood Station of the Metro Red Line

- Gold Medal Uneven Parallel Bars 1984 Los Angeles Games Score of perfect 10.0
- Silver Medal Team Competition 1984 Los Angeles Games
- U.S. National Champion 1981
- United States Olympic Team 1980

• Television commentator

## Brenda Villa – August 12 – Atlantic Station of the Metro Gold Line

- Gold Medalist Women's Water Polo 2012 London Games
- 2 Olympic Silver Medals and 1 Olympic Bronze Medal
- Female Water Polo Player of the Decade 2000-2009 FINA Aquatics World Magazine
- 3-time Gold Medal World Championships
- Most decorated athlete In the world of Women's Water Polo
- Led Stanford to 2012 NCAA championship

## Rafer Johnson – August 15 – Chatsworth Station of the Metro Orange Line

- Gold Medal Decathlon '60 Rome Games "World's Greatest Athlete"
- Flag bearer for the United States team at '60 Rome Games
- Silver Medal Decathlon '56 Melbourne Games
- 1958 Sports Illustrated "Sportsman of the Year"
- 1960 James E. Sullivan Award as top amateur athlete in the United States
- Helped found California Special Olympics

# Valerie Brisco – August 16 – 7<sup>th</sup> Street/Metro Center

- Gold Medal 200 meters dash -1984 Los Angeles games
- Gold Medal 400 meters dash 1984 Los Angeles games
- Gold Medal 4x400 meters dash 1984 Los Angeles games
- Silver Medal 4x400 meters dash 1988 Seoul games

## Lisa Fernandez – August 17 – Downtown Long Beach Station of the Metro Blue Line

- 3-time Gold Medal winner Softball, '96 Atlanta Games, 2000 Sydney Games and 2004 Athens Games.
- Led UCLA to national titles in '90 and '92
- 4-time All American
- 3-time Honda Award as College Player of the Year
- '93 Honda-Broderick Cup as outstanding collegiate female athlete in all sports

## Bryan Clay – August 18 – APU/Citrus College Station of the Metro Gold Line

- Gold Medal Decathlon 2008 Beijing Games "World's Greatest Athlete"
- Silver Medal Decathlon 2004 Athens Games
- 2005 Decathlon World Champion
- 2008 & 2010 Gold Medal IAAF Heptathlon World Indoor Championships
- Coach Azusa Pacific University

### Mark Spitz – August 19 – Downtown Santa Monica Station of the Metro Expo Line

- 9-time Gold Medalist swimming '68 Mexico City Games and '72 Munich Games
- Won 7 Gold Medals in '72 a record that held for 36 years
- All 7 Gold Medals in '72 won in world record times never equaled
- World Swimmer of the Year 1969, 1971 and 1972
- 8 NCAA national titles at Indiana University
- 1971 James E. Sullivan Award as top amateur athlete in the United States