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**Los Angeles - March 10, 2011**

## The Weekend Guide

### Los Angeles Events and Diversions

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One lump or two?

## **SIP**

### **Kusmi Tea Tasting**

**What:** Sample brews from the Russian-born, Paris-based company that has the delicate blending process down to a, um, tea.

**Why:** Oolong is a well-known mood lifter — maybe because it's fun to say. Plus, DailyCandy readers get 15 percent off Kusmi and Odacité Skin Care, the culty, all-natural line.

**When:** Sat., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

**Where:** The Detox Market, 1524 Abbot Kinney Blvd., b/t Navarre Ct. & Rialto Ave., Venice (408-518-1655).

## **PLAY**

### **Scrabble Night**

**What:** Store/gallery space Deyermond Art + Books invites locals to use their words. Sore losers can nurse their pain with complimentary drinks. (How do you spell designated driver?)

**Why:** It's a spell-ebriation of fun and learning.

**When:** Thurs., 8-11 p.m.

**Where:** 2801 Main St., b/t Hill St. & Ashland Ave., Santa Monica (310-450-4400).

## **CHUG**

### **Angel City Art & Beer Garden**

**What:** Toast the soon-to-open brewery with a weekend-long indoor festival with live music, exhibits, and plenty of microbrews.

**Why:** Beer does a body good. Oh wait, that's milk.

**When:** Fri., 5 p.m.-1 a.m.; Sat. & Sun., noon-1 a.m.

**Where:** 216 S. Alameda St., b/t Traction Ave. & E. Fourth St., Downtown.

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **For the Record: Baz Luhrmann**

**What:** Performances of songs and scenes from the director's oeuvre with life-size green fairies

and a rotating cast of Broadway notables such as Arielle Jacobs.

**Why:** Head there early for absinthe cocktails and a French-inspired prix fixe dinner.

**When:** Fri. & Sat. Dinner, 5-7 p.m.; doors, 8 p.m.; show, 9 p.m.

**Where:** Vermont Kitchen & Barre, 1714 N. Vermont Ave., b/t Prospect & Kingswell Aves., Los Feliz. Dinner and show tickets (\$50) at 323-661-6163. Show tickets only (\$20) online at [showatbarre.com](http://showatbarre.com).

## STROLL

### Planned Parenthood L.A. Food Fare

**What:** More than 150 of the city's top restaurants, wineries, and caterers dish their gastronomic delights for a good cause.

**Why:** It's a rare opportunity to feel good about yourself after pigging out.

**When:** Thurs., 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. & 6:30-9:30 p.m.

**Where:** Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, 1855 Main St., b/t Pico Blvd. & Olympic Dr., Santa Monica (213-284-3316). Tickets (\$150-\$225) online at [ppaction.org](http://ppaction.org).

## HEAR

### ArtTalk

**What:** A six-hour spoken word marathon melding storytelling, communicative dance, music, and more.

**Why:** Pick up a few moves from Hula O'Hoaloha's performance of the traditional Hawaiian dance.

**When:** Sat., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Where:** Boston Court Performing Arts Center, 70 N. Mentor Ave., b/t Union St. & Colorado Blvd., Pasadena. Info at 626-744-0340. Admission is free.

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