

## **SOCAL INSIDER**

2005, the 3.4-mile loop around the reservoir has been slowly and carefully restored over the past seven years and was reopened to the public in April. Though it's only 10 minutes from U.S. 101, the trail, curving through oaks, eucalyptus, and sage trees and visited by deer and hawks, seems a world away from the city's jangle. Sunrise to 6 p.m.; gates at Wonder View Dr.

and Tahoe Dr.; park on Lake

Hollywood Dr.

Wiped out by landslides in





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## Craft your own adventure

The first weekend in October.

Crafting Community, a three-

day family art retreat, takes over the posh and hip Ace Hotel. Hosted by L.A. artist Karen Kimmel, the event gives parents and kids the chance to make stuff together in more than 20 workshops. Forget wobbly Popsicle-stick creations; activities include leatherworking with handbag

designer Clare Vivier, sneaker-

decorating, and designing a

family crest. For those who

can relax only when they're

moving, there's underwater

photography, nature walks, and

\$250 for each additional family member; 701 E. Palm Canyon Dr.; craftingcommunity.com. DO / Los Angeles How L.A. got

## that wav

A new permanent exhibit at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County (celebrating its centennial this year) offers visitors a frank and fascinating look at the city's 500 years of existence-the good,

Skateboarding 101. Adults will

have time to chill by the pool or

and the whole family can listen

to storytelling under the stars.

From \$1,500 for family of 3

(includes lodging and meals),

indulge in Ace's spa services,