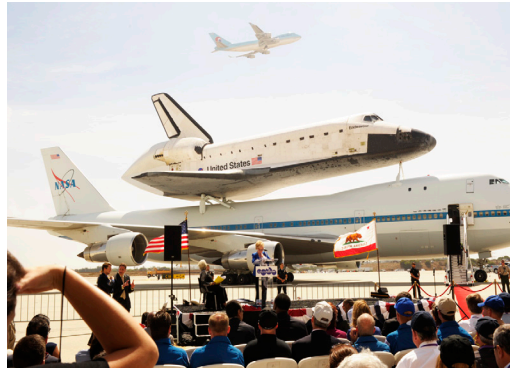


## COMMUNITY NEWS Endeavour at LAX



After a one-day weather delay, Endeavour finally landed at LAX on September 21. Guests waiting for the arrival welcomed the shuttle with open arms.

Westchester and Inglewood residents were the first to view the shuttle on city streets when it departed LAX on October 11 via self-propelled mobile transporters on its way to Exposition Park. For shuttle viewing information, visit the California Science Center website at [www.californiasciencecenter.org](http://www.californiasciencecenter.org).

## Sepulveda Tunnel Upgrade Project

In a collaborative local and state agency effort, CalTrans initiated a project on October 2 to upgrade the Sepulveda Tunnel to improve visibility and safety concerns. In addition to retrofitting current lighting with new and improved LED lights and conduits, the project also includes pressure washing and repainting the tunnel walls.

During the improvement project, one lane in both northbound and southbound directions will be open and the two lanes closest to the median will be closed. Project work hours are Monday through Friday from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and weekends from 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

During the holiday season, traffic mitigation plans have been developed for periods of heavy traffic. Work will be suspended on November 16 through January 2, 2013. Tunnel upgrades are expected to be completed in June 2013.

## New Bradley West Exhibit Opening Soon at Flight Path

Flight Path recently was selected to host a major exhibit spotlighting design features of the new LAX Bradley West international terminal improvements. The "Now Boarding" exhibit,

presented in cooperation with Fentress Architects and Los Angeles World Airports, is scheduled to debut near the end of 2012 in advance of the planned opening of the terminal project in early 2013. A companion exhibit will be hosted at the Pacific Design Center in West Los Angeles with assistance from Flight Path staff.

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Bradley West will provide the most significant improvement in international passenger service at LAX since the original Tom Bradley International Terminal opened in 1984, the year of the Olympic Games in Los Angeles. The improvements were conceived to unify, functionally and aesthetically, the existing airport, as well as to remind travelers of the airport's proximity to the Pacific Ocean.

For a sneak peek of next year's ad promoting the new and improved Tom Bradley International Terminal, see above picture. The exhibit at Flight Path, with free admission and parking, will offer an easy way for the public to preview and understand the full scope of the Bradley West project. Visit the museum's website at [www.flightpath.us](http://www.flightpath.us) for exhibit information. To learn about the Bradley West Project, visit [www.laxdevelopment.org](http://www.laxdevelopment.org).

## LAX Sponsorships

LAX is a proud sponsor of civic, educational, and community programs via its long-standing memberships with local chambers of commerce



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and service clubs. LAWA was among the first group of businesses to be inducted into the South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce's "Business Hall of Fame."



LAWA Deputy Executive Director of Airports Development, Roger Johnson, graciously accepted the honor on behalf of the airport on November 2.

- Salute to the Military/El Segundo Chamber of Commerce - October 31
- Police & Fire Appreciation Day/ Inglewood Chamber of Commerce & Rotary Club of Inglewood - January 16, 2013

Sponsorship requests are managed by Community Relations. For program inquiries, call (424) 646-7450.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS Summer ACE Update

This past summer, the LAX-sponsored ACE (Aviation Careers Education) Academy recruited students from Orville Wright, Century Community Charter, and other middle schools to participate in an educational program that focuses on aviation industry careers.

ACE is a week-long program that provides students with a basic understanding of career opportunities within aviation, as well as general knowledge about LAX. As part of the curriculum, students are introduced to flight simulators, aviation history, physics of flight, design and maintenance of aircraft, and aviation experts.

Field trips are also part of the program. To learn how your school can participate in ACE, contact Community Relations at (424) 646-7450.

## LAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS New Terminal Gate Open for Business

The new Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) opened its first gate of the new terminal, Gate 134, on September 6. Its first aircraft arrival was Qantas Flight 11, an Airbus A380. This was the second time an A380 had been parked at the gate. The first A380 was parked at the new terminal on August 17 for the gate fit to ensure everything worked properly prior to the gate opening for operations. To view photos of the new gate, visit the LAX Development Program website at [www.laxdevelopment.org](http://www.laxdevelopment.org).

## Curbside Improvements at Tom Bradley International Terminal



Curbside improvements in the Central Terminal Area in front of the Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) started in July. The \$23.5-million improvement project will replace the existing 28-year-old glass canopies with modern ones that incorporate the architectural theme of the new TBIT currently under construction.

The curb appeal improvement project will be performed in phases while the terminal is open for travelers. After the north entrance to the Bradley Terminal is completed and reopened, construction will begin on the center doors. When the center entrance is completed and reopened, work on the south entrance will begin.

Work also will include replacing exterior escalators, installing new building signage, and replacing existing street lamps with modern-looking and energy-efficient lighting in and around the terminal roadways. The project also includes replacing the

Lower/Arrivals Level vestibule between the sidewalk and entrance doors with a passenger-friendly exit plaza with new landscaping, improved lighting, and new seating areas for arriving travelers.

The temporary vehicular and pedestrian restrictions in front of TBIT will be in effect through Spring 2013. For additional information on the curbside improvements, visit the LAX Development Program website at [www.laxdevelopment.org](http://www.laxdevelopment.org).

## "Gab's Corner"

Questions about LAX?  
Ask [gpacheco@lawa.org](mailto:gpacheco@lawa.org)



## Q: What facts can you tell me about Endeavour?

A: Well, the Space Shuttle Orbiter Endeavour successfully completed 25 missions into space, including the first service mission to the Hubble Space Telescope. Its inaugural launch date was May 7, 1992, and its final launch was May 16, 2011.

Manufactured in Palmdale, California, the shuttle has traveled a total of 122,883,151 miles. It measures 122 ft. long; 57 ft. high; and 78 ft. from wing tip to wing tip. It was the first and only shuttle named by elementary and secondary students. Physician and NASA astronaut, Mae Carol Jemison, became the first African-American female to travel in space when she went into orbit aboard the Endeavour on September 12, 1992.

For more fun facts about space and flight, visit the Flight Path Museum website at [www.flightpath.us](http://www.flightpath.us) and the California Science Center website at [www.californiasciencecenter.org](http://www.californiasciencecenter.org).



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