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From hot spots and hidden gems to lots of local flavor It's your guide to L A the unscripted way And tonight we answer the question hey where all the cool places to hang out Hello everyone and welcome to L A unscripted I'm Devin and this is the pain of social The fabulous new food hall at the westfield to pay them all Tonight we're checking into some cool new gathering spots And so and this made the top of our list Oh my God That is the best piece of shrimp I've ever had Oh it is all smashed I love that Wow that is good Topanga Social is a food hall It's a community hub 23 of las most talked about restaurants It's where people can come together They can dine socialize and shop all in the same place These are really cool screens and they're all over the place What are they Yes So these screens it allows guests to order from a single interface throughout the whole place You can order from any of the 23 restaurants It aggregates the orders sends to the respective restaurant They prepare the food it sends you a text and you pick up your order no more Having to wait in line at each individual restaurant So shrimp daddy really started between two families that came together and they wanted to have traditional Hawaiian cuisine And so they do a tail on shell on it It really keeps it fresh with all the juices in there What do we have going on here We have rice we have the garlic shrimp We have the macaroni and then we have the pineapple on the back OK Ready Cheers Cheers Amazing L A is definitely a food town We have food from all across southern California I've heard that this is one of the best burgers in L A Is that the case It's amazing That is so good I think that the Valley was looking for a place to come together socialize dine shop and to p A social method We are at mini kebab kebab What is this Mini kebab So this is a mix of the chicken and beef kebab served with hummus and lavash No it's so good Everything here has been knocked out of the park so far My favorite restaurant here is probably D town pizza Their pizza's amazing It's traditional Detroit style pizza This is their supreme pepperoni mushrooms pickled onions banana peppers sausage scallions Amazing There's a funny way to eat this right there is there Show me show me here we go Mm We're really good We have burgers hot dogs Classic hot dog tail of the pub started in 1946 This is our our classic all beef hot dog I love it Order us we have Mexican food We have katsu sand that's served on milk toast That's their own bread that they came up with It's a milk toast That is so good And in the mushroom it's so meaty Yes We're open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the

week and we close at 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday night Jay Birds is the very best of Nashville hot chicken So it's a very specific style of chicken Very specific style of brining seasoning layering with with flavor And now you've made it to L A Tell me what it means for you to be in L A and to be showing your food to the Los Angeles audience Obviously it's one of the biggest markets in the world We're very thrilled to be here The thing about Topanga Social is the no change Everything in here is a real L A real food food real really worth coming to check it out So this right here is our blazing fry which is crinkle cut fries Mac and cheese chopped up tender A little bit of comeback sauce and a little bit of buttered hot sauce This is the Mac Daddy This is the sandwich that has Mac and cheese on it What's great about Topanga Social is you can bring the family everybody gets to have something different The kids can have hot dogs parents can have sushi Katsu Sandu have a beer and everybody gets to have what they want Honestly the food choices here are But if you would like to wander around out in the sunshine in search of cool clothes or small locally made goods Have we got the spot for you Banks Journal is a modern coastal lifestyle brand with a sustainable element to it Jackets I'm all about the shacks a contemporary menswear brand with um Japanese and Australian heritage And what we're trying to create is something that is timeless and effortless within color uh prints or fabrications Is this the classic kind of military under jacket We don't see ourselves as super on trend or behind the trend We sit somewhere in the middle which we want to make you feel good now and for the next 5 10 years which helps the earth and not throw away as much product I want someone to buy something from us and hold on to that for a really long time and feel confident and comfortable in our products It's amazing I love it We sell obviously like our own brand but we also try and sell what it is to be a bank's journal person and to do that you need to complement it with like towels We sell like books that make sense for us We sell sunscreen which kind of goes on with our coastal lifestyle And um any any types of like complimenting products that go along with our brand really nice for layering keeps you warm When I first got here it was just like a it was the whole place was an empty shell And that really excited me because there there was nothing else like this in L A The row have done a really good job of uh curating a bunch of stores that help each other grow and and bring in unique customers So it's been really enjoyable being here So my brother won making the cut in March of 2020 right at the beginning of all the pandemic action that ended up being advantageous in a number of ways I think because

everybody was stuck at home on lockdown looking for some good news I think it's the coolest thing in the world I I think that that's what like helped the brand take off He's got a whole new set of eyeballs He used to be able to hide behind our brand of skin graft Now his name is on the door And so that's a different kind of pressure that I think he likes But I think it also like it's a lot to deal with I think the idea is like progressive affordable luxury kind of like on that cusp of luxury but accessible Try to push the limits for people looking to up their style game a little bit Do you have this jacket because that's rad We chose Road DTL A for a number of reasons other than the fact that it's a beautiful place to be We love the vibe here It feels good Coming to work every day People that come into our store are in such a better mood than they used to be It's a little ecosystem here where you can get all your needs met in one way or another And here's another great place to gather up on the roof Not only can you watch movies under the stars at the Montavon rooftop cinema you get your own headphones for the perfect experience We have 1000 seat classic theater underneath us And in 2009 Nike partnered with us to create this beautiful rooftop Hi I'm Gilbert Smith and I'm the president of the Mont Company When people come here they book either a love seat or individual seats So we have a an eclectic set of different types of films all year long From the classics in the 19 thirties and forties from romance to sci fi or eclectic fun films that are from the 19 eighties nineties and into the two thousands the headphones are made by sound off They're stereo headsets So not only can we use them for movies we can use them for Silent Disco and listening to music People put the headsets on and they are in their own room So it's dual purpose we protect the neighbors from the loud soundtracks At the same time people are more immersed with the theater here in the Mantel bar When people arrive we have various ways of entertaining themselves whether it's games or snacks pizza or beverages or New Indian food And we also offer a full bar I was in Dennis the Menace the first series in 1958 and the pilot in the first season I'm a curious individual And when I was a child actor I used to walk around the back lots at four star or 20th century Fox And I imagined what the world could be as I imagined it through the eyes of other people in the business And when I got here I started searching and when I came up to the roof I instantly said this is a place where it can be a destination for tourists and the local community members In the summer of 78 I was a young photographer and I met Anita Montauban I convinced Anita to go out with me and we did some testing we presented and we never separated got married and had 40

years of really the most wonderful life together Ricardo Malon represented diversity and opportunity He was just a magnificent man and he did so much for our community Most people remember that he was in Fantasy Island as the star as Mr Rourke He also was K and it was Star Trek Two when the opportunity came for us to establish the Montauban Theater He saw this as his life's legacy and put together the dream board and started the process and he asked me to come in to assist him I mean he became my father with all the years together It was just a remarkable relationship we had as a family love that place We had such a good time and we are not done hanging out with you just yet I'm going to have a really great hangout spot when L A unscripted continues Welcome back to L A unscripted hang out spectacular from the pen of social And I got to tell you you guys this is the most amazing food I've ever eaten and drink This is the boba from hey hey now I'm going to try the match stick and by the way just look at the pattern in the glass But they've also got the hey hey they got the baby and they've got the man OK Try this Oh my God It's so good And it's got this like whipped cream salted whipped cream on the top I'm dying and look at all this sushi from Tamaki by Seaweed D Town Pizza I just need you to take a look at this and look how funny it is It you have to stick your head in here So when you eat because I'm a super big mess When I eat you're all protected Oh my God Look at this pizza It's like a cake It's like a pizza cake This is such a fun spot to hang out in But if you want to get a little sporty with your gathering head to Elsa Gun and yell four we're growing the game everywhere We make it non intimidating It's fun There's many different ways that somebody can come work on their game as a beginners expert It doesn't matter We're for everybody at top golf El se yes Our facility is 65,000 square feet with 26 acres over at the golf course And it's 102 climate controlled hitting bay that you can fit up to eight guests per bay and six can play We have three different bars one on each level This is so nice So if you want to watch some tennis you want to watch it on this TV That's exactly right You see kids here you see families you see business professionals and you see pros occasionally practicing here as well So it's a great combo boom See a difference That was so much better Yeah top golf It's target oriented practice and that's what top and top golf means And we have different targets all the way from 25 yards up to 220 yards in the trench and top golf scores in all targets And another cool technology that we have is top tracer We have these high tech cameras that are on the venue that break down the speed trajectory and angle of your golf ball So we have these neat courses like ST Andrews

and these virtual golf and we have something called Angry Birds which is cool Tell me how it all started Yeah I love to say this story because we evolved off an idea in a golf ball was two brothers They were twins in the United Kingdom a little over 20 years ago were coming up with a fun way to track their golf ball and they came up with that RF ID microchip in the golf ball And now we've grown to over 70 locations around the world Oh yeah I have to say Not only is it top tier Gulf This is top tier food wings and doughnut holes and fried chicken sandwiches and pretzel bites OK I could not be more excited about this one though So we have Bavarian cream chocolate and raspberry and you can fill that right in the doughnut And for every order that we do sell we donate a dollar to make a wish foundation Very important with our charity All right we better is that my face It's on my face More places to hang out coming up from family crafted cocktails to a not so creepy cemetery Cinema Two more great gathering ideas when L A unscripted returns Welcome back to L A scripted from the Pen of Social a spectacular new food hall at the Westfield to pay them all There's even this full bar here rocking Riley and they have some amazing cocktails This is a strawberry whiskey sour Have you ever heard of that before That is so delicious That might be my new drink of choice And then we have this Passion Fruit Hibiscus Salt Margarita That's the Hibiscus Salt Oh my God This is so good That is so refreshing I love this place and this brings me to our next school hangout spot A distillery in downtown L A This is where the magic happens Clearly Whiskey tanks behind us infusion tanks to the right of us canning line to the left of us A lot of moving parts and pieces that end up in something that makes you pleasantly surprised Oh my gosh Wow Wow Dana I'm inside L A's first distillery since prohibition but it's their non alcoholic drinks That's got everybody buzzing We make the world's largest collection of organic spirits Oh my gosh so good This is perfection My gosh Green Bar began in 2004 as L A's first distillery since the prohibition We make vodka We make gin we make rum we make whiskey we make sweet liqueurs we make bitter liqueurs we make bitters we make non-alcoholic as well as alcoholic canned cocktails What is your favorite That's like trying to tell asking me to pick a favorite child How dare you My wife and I met in graduate journalism school And after 10 years of courting her she finally said yes And we were all being toasted of course But my wife to be really didn't like any of the liquor we were serving So I began to make her something that she could drink at these events involving complex infusions of fruits and herbs and flowers Anything that I thought would make her

happy drinking with the family And 19 years later here we are Does it taste alcoholic to you It does actually like you're having a it does taste like I'm having a cocktail and our vision was to make things that would make beautiful cocktails And then we started to make gin and then rum and then whiskey liqueurs bitters bitter liqueurs even tequila about three years ago when we took a left turn into you know canned cocktails and then non alcoholic cocktails most recently So we changed everything to organic as well as to began to plant trees and use uh very lightweight bottles and recyclable and recycled labels Yes we're not big companies We can't like you know change the laws and make huge moves But as a tiny little company we've planted over a million trees Oh my goodness This on gin and tonic is really good And I'm a gin and tonic girl My work is done here It is it is there's a heart on all green bar products and it's really about it's really about the other partner my husband Mel Conn and me You know it's our love for each other It's the love of what we do and and the love of Los Angeles Oh my God Such a lovely couple Now if the great outdoors is calling you this is one of the coolest things to do in L A Grab a picnic basket and a blanket and head to Hollywood for a little cinema in the cemetery I think what people in L A love so much about SIA is the experience We have DJ S playing music Everyone brings a little picnic we have popcorn we have candy and then we have our beautiful photo booths My name is John Wyatt I'm the founder of Sins Sinesia is an outdoor movie series that happens in and around Los Angeles And this is our 22nd year and one of our main places to show movies is here at Hollywood Forever Cemetery on the beautiful Fairbanks lawn This is one of our favorite locations So many people from the golden era of Hollywood are interred here People like Judy Garland Mickey Rooney Douglas Fairbanks Peter Laurie John Houston So many of the greats If someone has never been to Sinesia before I would suggest that you get all your friends together and you bring a picnic blanket you can bring your own beer and wine And if you don't we do have concessions and a bar and we sell beautiful Sinesia blankets on site this year We partnered with Tony's Chocolate Lonely and we're so excited that we get to have our own chocolate bar We have some new locations for the past couple of years We've been in the Los Angeles State Historic Park near downtown Los Angeles just right near Chinatown And it's a beautiful park that's been restored by the city and we've been in Griffith Park as well next to the Greek on the beautiful lawns There people come to CS P A for all kinds of occasions It is a very very good date But um it's really great to bring good friends to and anyone you

love being outside together It's a great time hanging out the cemetery Such
an L A thing Right Well that is all the time we have for tonight Thank you so
much for hanging out with us and thank you to the pain of social for letting
us gather here today We see you next time everyone