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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 from the heart of Temecula Valley's Wine Country Hello everyone and welcome to L A unscripted I'm Danny Devin Coming to you from the stunning Sweet Oaks winery in Temecula California We've been sipping some magical wines during our stay here but right now it's time for breakfast and not just any breakfast How about the Rock's favorite cheat meal ever It is delicious This is the world famous or infamous However you wanna look at it Uh Rock toast four inch thick brioche French toast It is a French toast experience Uh A lot of people call it like the Louis Vuitton of French toast The recipe is a secret recipe uh made by myself and of course my amazing chef Chef Roy Mm So I started making this for my family my husband my kids my friends and then I started working for Dwayne Johnson and he requested on one of his cheat meals for French toast but he wanted a thicker style And as soon as I served him the first one he kept requesting it every week And then we both worked together on this and that's how brick came about The rock toast Here we go Oh my God I just got a whiff of the smell We got the opportunity to open up here in Westfield Century City Mall and it was a perfect location for us Cut brioche French toast comes with three toppings That's number one That's number one Number two Ok Vanilla bean with cream Three is the toasted coconut I started using brioche because it's super soft and it has a sweet flavor and a really nice texture And we make them every day to make the French toast It goes it gets dipped in a batter with cinnamon and then we make it with a lot of extra love Oh my God You know what It reminds me a little bit of like bread pudding We get that a lot It's just gooey in all the right places and crisp in all the right places and warm and and salty but sweet in all the right I mean it's just delicious Pet Derek Hough comes in a couple of times and Haley and also Chrissy Tegan stopped in with her daughter Luna which was amazing Super sweet I swear I think if you had like an anniversary or a birthday or something and you wanted to do like breakfast in bed this would be the most amazing breakfast in bed Surprise for someone This whole thing is 1000 calories But I gotta tell you if you've ever had French toast this is gonna rock your world Get it Rock rock your world Get it Enjoy your French toast Enjoy your cheat meals Well oh my gosh It was so good You guys that is a real brick of brioche They also have really cool merchandise You can get a hoodie to cover up all this in your belly All right Time for belly scratches now because we said Olivia

they were to to everyone's favorite spot the cat cafe and calling all cat lovers come sip your favorite beverage all while snuggling Adoptable adorable felines L A has like animal lovers all over the place You know like I think L A is like filled with people who love animals And so it just kind of to me felt like it's a cat cafe It's so L A We are a cat cafe What we do is we rescue cats who are at risk of euthanasia in shelters and bring them here and socialize them and put them up for adoption and people can drink coffee and play with cats and if they happen to fall in love with one of our cats or kittens they can actually adopt them and take them home It's amazing the entire time I've been here when I'm not playing with the other cats This little one curled up so sweet like a little angel I've been a huge animal lover My whole life And I think that the way we do adoptions is like you know the animals are in cages and shelters they're scared they don't really interact People don't get to like know their personalities or what they're like And it's just so not based on connection and I really wanted to help homeless cats and homeless animals get adopted And then also for people to adopt based on like actually having a meaningful connection with a cat and really getting to know the cat's personality because like here you know which cats are the playful ones and which ones are the lazy ones And you know it's really cool to be able to know that before you adopt we've saved over 3800 cats from Euthanasia We've found homes for almost 1800 cats and we've also donated over \$40,000 to different animal welfare organizations They're just such great companions and also very like low maintenance because they're not like dogs where you have to take so much care of them So I think like all of that makes them like a package deal for a pet Summer is here you guys Ok We'll be right back Stay tuned All right So I think I want to come to the on this year but I'm not really tech savvy Is it is it a good place for like newbies like me I think it's a great place for new is one of the largest consumer shows for people to meet and network with some of their favorite online creators and stars Been in Anaheim for more than 10 years and we look forward to them Coming back every year Anaheim has become home to some of the largest fan conventions in the country We've got that on the 23 some of the largest fan conventions in the country where like minded people can come together and bond over shared passions You don't really have to be tech savvy to enjoy vidcon I think you have to be ready to learn to be inspired and see an entire world that we've kind of been accustomed to it on our phones right How many times have you been I've been a couple of times I was here I had to look at my camera I was here all the way back in 2015 So there's a whole

bunch of people waiting to see their favorite creators meet and greets Then of course there's a lot of topics that people discuss So best cameras to use Best way to do this Best practice is how to make money on Instagram tiktok and all these different things I see it as kind of a two fold event You get to see your favorite creators but you also get to learn from them And that's the really interesting part I'm Sophie Doy and I'm a contortionist and content creator I started doing it when I was about 12 years old and I saw a youtube video and thought it was just so cool and I tried it and was able to put my feet over my head and I was like oh I am a contortionist It just slowly developed into something more where I went on America's got talent And then from there I took what I had and started a youtube channel I had never thought when I first started youtube that it would get this big I mean let's be honest we all have the best content creation tool in our pockets at all times And so we're all little influencers in our own way Some people have just found a really big way of taking it to the next level itself brings over \$85 million in economic impact to our local community Those attendees are staying in our hotels eating at our restaurants and supporting our local businesses So it's really great for our entire community What's great is that you can come for the full four days or just come for one day I think this might be my for here I love it a lot The energy comes alive when it comes here you can interact with top brands whether it's like Nickelodeon or Super Mario is going to have a booth So there's so much to see and do in that creative energy will just feel you no matter what you're into Ok we should take a selfie let's do it Welcome back to L A unscripted from the magical Sweet Oaks winery in the heart of the Temecula Valley wine country right now However we're trading grapevines for palm trees I think what people in L A love so much about sepia 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 Sin 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 only and we're so excited that we get to have our own chocolate bar It'll be available at our concessions all summer long This year we're doing our traditional big tent pole events uh July 4th We do a giant fireworks show here and show a movie this year We'll be showing the original Pewee's Big adventure with fireworks We also do an all night party here with movies going all night and dance party and that happens in August We have a special Halloween event that will be happening October 21st where we do something a little on the spooky side here in the middle of the cemetery 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 We'll be right back Welcome back to L A unscripted from the Sweet Oaks winery in Temecula California And if wine isn't your thing how about an icy cold brew Megan Tell us takes us inside a local L A brewery that focuses on quality culture community and craftsmanship And I hope it shows as what we do what we play what the feel the whole concept comes live Hi I'm Raul Tapia and I'm his brother Eric Tapia And we're proud to reveal Whittier's first speakeasy craft brewery La Bodega Brewing Company Salois Suerte La Bodega was a dream that came between our partner Abraham Eric and myself And it all started about seven years ago when we were home brewing we really had no idea how to make beer but Abraham had been home brewing for about six years We made our first batch of pale ale fell in love with it We thought we had something that we can promote and sell and bring to the community The concept behind the name came from La Bodega la Bodega in our culture is a warehouse So essentially us running around in that warehouse we knew that this was for us We were picking produce cleaning the warehouse cleaning restrooms and just growing up in a warehouse Tappy Brothers is a food service broad liner which means we sell everything and anything to restaurants Now we cover eight states have over 4000 clients for us We really wanted to focus on the beer but Whittier wanted a a restaurant component So we just wanted to open a tap room But when they said oh restaurant well we know a little bit about the restaurant business Uh So we dove right into it What is your mission What is your vision traditional Mexican dishes that we have here A

little you know modern presentation Got it a classic a chile verde you know a slow braised pork green chili stew A chile colorado Another classic a cut of meat When we talk Wagyu we're talking top of the line meat We're one of 10 restaurants that have this Wagyu So one of 10 and where we look at this food we think of the beer This is a perfect pair Like you're not only gonna come here and get good food you're gonna drink good beer You look around it is gorgeous in here Describe what is it that I'm seeing This is our brew house It's in the US We use barrels So this is a 15 barrel system which is equivalent to about 500 gallons of beer that we can make at a time What is this exclusive club People We're really trying to bridge the gap between German and Mexican beers and in Germany there's sign membership It's embedded in their culture where it's generations they walk in they grab their mug they get their beer they sit down so we wanted to replicate that So we hold the key Um we lock their stein we're responsible for the stein When they walk in we'll have it ready for them with their favorite beer And it's a talking point when you walk through that refrigerator door thinking it's a butcher shop thinking that there's a butcher shop in the back You walk into a pretty cool space 1920 speak users the whole prohibition realm and you could see it throughout the pictures in our round table room of the devil's in the detail And for us it was so we're hitting everything on all cylinders the food the beer the decor every portrait has a story and associated to to one of us three owners and their wives like try to guess who picked who and you know it becomes a talking piece For example we have you know Billy Idol you know you would never guess like oh Billy I who picked Billy Idol So Eric growing up was a huge fan of Billy Idol He wanted to dye his hair blonde so platinum blonde It's great to come from a city that has so many family roots invested in what we call the greater city of Whittier And I feel like the community has hugged the restaurant and made it its own that I will cheers to that and now a toast to pride as I get a ticket inside a local photo exhibit that tells the story of LGBT Q plus seniors who are finally living free here at the Watermark LGBT Q plus Seniors are making sure and not another second goes by without telling their story The Watermark is a luxury lifestyle senior living community that offers uh resort style amenities and a wonderful neighborhood to bring awareness to not just our members here in the community but to the greater population We have 3 million LGBT Plus uh seniors that are struggling with coming out to their friends their loved ones So we wanted to with partnerships age we wanted to bring an exhibition that really shows the struggles and the ongoing contributions that they provide to

the future generations There are people that lost a lot of time because of not being able to live as authentically as they should have been It's a portrait photography show about uh people from the LGBT Q plus community seniors actually older older people If you know my work I'm kind of specialized in photographing older people very old people Actually it's because I do that and because I got some recognition in the last years about doing that they asked me if I would like to to photograph it They don't expect too much I like this attitude I like working like that because there's no stress behind me There's no pressure that the people that have hidden their true selves from those either because of political or family or job reasons lost many years of their lives by not being authentic Watermark wanted to do this event out here on the west coast after having been in Brooklyn So we decided to partner with them help host it So we brought in Beverly Johnson to host and we brought in all the other members to help build out the event Seniors in general are overlooked And so I can just imagine you know being a part of that community it has a a double whammy so to speak They're so brave and courageous and inspiring for seniors Period of all seniors myself included I look around at these faces and they all tell a story and we are our story I think people especially younger people need to know that there were people there who made it possible for them to be who they are And I just hope that that people just accept people as people and why does it matter who you love or don't love All right Beaters bricks grails and kicks Those are just some of the words used to describe sneakers these days A \$79 billion industry Jasmine Simpkins laces up with one black owned sneaker spot laced is a lifestyle It's pretty much the way you carry yourself the way you look at life the way you dress the way you feel about yourself Yeah What up I'm Paul Jetter Um JB And we're the owners of lace We wanted to bring a space like this to Londell because for like 35 mile radius there's no store like this It started with a conversation at our buddy's barbershop in Inglewood called Platinum Cuts I've been playing pro basketball now for 16 seasons Uh the last eight years I've been in China I was always coming back home you know with some fresh pair of kit he had on a pair of shoes that he probably shouldn't had on It was like six months early So that turned into a conversation and we went outside and spoke for two hours standing on the sidewalk about opening up a business and neither one of us got a cut that night So I'm about to get some sneakers because I couldn't come in a sneaker store without getting laced Usually what I do when I buy a pair is like I just like smell Of course best smell ever You see lace but the acronym is Los

Angeles Creates endless streams All right That is all the time we have for tonight Thank you so much for joining us and thank you to the Sweet Oaks winery to me We'll see you next time Good night everyone