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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're getting centennial from the 100 year old built more Hello everyone and welcome to L A unscripted I'm Devin And tonight it is good to be 100 years old Like this stunning hotel The built more in downtown Los Angeles celebrating its 1/100 birthday this year It is hands down one of the most visually beautiful places to stay and it's got quite the history Just ask Olivia in L A the Biltmore Hotel opened its doors in 1923 and has made keeping its history alive its main priority The Biltmore Hotel is one of the oldest hotels in Los Angeles throughout the years There's certainly I'm sure have been pressures and trends to keep with the modern and adjust But my predecessors and myself have felt a sense of duty to be the custodians and preserve the history the heritage the architecture and design of this amazing place The Biltmore Hotel is one of the iconic hotels in Los Angeles It was founded in 1923 just as Hollywood was coming onto the scene as a major player L A was becoming a major city with the likes of New York Paris and London When the hotel first opened it had over 100 rooms and it was the largest hotel west of Chicago And it was known at the time as the host of the coast Since then we have increased the size of the hotel rooms We've actually sort of reduced the overall number of rooms And today we have 683 guest rooms and 70,000 square feet of meeting space We have two restaurants a bar a full fitness center Not many hotels can claim what we can claim We're celebrating 100 years this year and we're going to be celebrating by hosting a series of really interesting and unique events from an evening with Mermaids inside our original 1923 Roman style pool We're doing a fashion show We're reintroducing the high tea which was always a classic and the Biltmore is known for So we're going to Sprinkle in a number of different events to bring attention and awareness to this milestone We are in the gorgeous galleria right here in front of this amazing photo What is this photo So this photo was the gala event when the hotel first opened its doors and you're doing something special this year right In our 1/100 anniversary Gala event Well I should be replicating the silver plate photo to basically look very similar to this Over 300 movies have been filmed at the Biltmore It is rumored that the actual Oscar statue was designed in a napkin at the Biltmore Hotel You could experience part of Hollywood and L A history by staying at the Biltmore We hosted eight of the 1st 10 Oscar ceremonies The hotel is known as the hotel of 1000 angels because the

designers and sculptors inserted 1000 angels throughout the hotel So it's like a scavenger hunt for angels I love that Staying with us is like living a part of L A in Hollywood history Thank you Olivia I mean such a cool hotel All right Now on to the happiest place on earth Jasmine Simpkins is taking us to Disneyland at the Disneyland Resort celebrating 100 years of Disney There's so much to share Let's not waste another magical moment 1923 is where it all started You know Walt Disney suitcase in a dream So 100 celebration This is the heart of the celebration here at the Disneyland Resort Listen Disney 100 is it Would you give it to Paul We take pride in that We are just stewards of the 100 that we're celebrating And so we want everyone to feel that ownership that this is your Disneyland right This isn't my Disneyland So everybody come and enjoy and that's what it's about Friends family Fun Ok Donald are you ready to party Strike your best This is one of my favorite parts talking to you guys about all the yummy food that you guys put together Our lemon tea cake is going to be one of our most popular items We do have our cheddar and potato burger There's a steamboat Willie Shake We have our travel sipper We have our popcorn bucket The tea cake out here was Walt's favorite It was So who's was it His mom's recipe family recipe Oh come on That's Disney Magic We can't tell you all Ok Ok But I can't have you tasted the lemon Z makes my heart sing Now it's time for the icing on the cake A brand new attraction Mickey and many runway railway guys I've been waiting to write this and we're one of the first Oh my God let's go We are here at El Capito Theater So we actually get the opportunity to enter into the cartoon with Mickey and Minnie The whole agenda is to go see Mickey and Minnie's Perfect Picnic which is their debut film for Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse where they're trying to find the ideal spot to have a picnic The unique thing about our attraction is that it sits in the heart of Mickey's to town There's something for everyone here We found the hostess with the mostest for all the night time Magic Many happy 100 Can you blow a kiss with me to the camera Right World of color was It's basically celebrating the impact that one person while Disney has had on this company for for so long It's completely new integrated Star Wars and the Avengers Happy 100 Pluto Wait what is that in dog years Ok Journeys is fantastic because to celebrate Disney's 100 years of Wonder celebration we have created a spectacular that pays tribute to 62 62 of our featured animated film fireworks We have pyrotechnics we have flames which is incredible I love when the guest reaction When the flames go up you have a bit of lasers the incredible digital mapping like this is such an innovative show and I'm so excited for guest to

get to see it for our celebration Now that's a show come celebrate Disney 100 all year long because there's only one word to describe it wondrous Thank you Jasmine And we will be right back with the 100 year old Margarita Now you have my attention Lots more unscripted from the built more in just a moment Welcome back to L A unscripted centennial celebration I'm Devin from the 100 year old Bmore and we are highlighting some of the incredible places also turning 100 this year How cool is this far I kind of feel like I'm in the shining All right moving on and this next place may be old but it never gets old Thanks to Killer Mexican food and a Margarita that will literally put you on the floor No joke I celebrated my 90th and El Cholo celebrating their 100 It's kind of a great year I'm Ron Salisbury I'm very fortunate and very blessed to be the owner along with my family of the El Cholo restaurants Cholo was a restaurant first started by my grandparents in 1923 When they first started the restaurant they call it Sonora Cafe because they came from the state of Sonora and then two years into it a gentleman walked in and while I was waiting for his lunch to come he doodled a little man who's our character and wrote El Cholo underneath My mother was the waitress and she took it to my grandfather and he said I like that so much Today we're changing the name of the restaurant to El Cholo And we're gonna use this man as our figure who is this beautiful woman This is my mother when she was in her you know her young age and my mother loved the camera So this is one of my best pictures I think of my mother and your mother and father actually met at the original El Cholo Right Correct My earliest memories are in his restaurant setting in the booth and the people and the noise and and the people moving and everything and that registered right here Ok That's where my mother taught me how to count I stopped using with the coins Yeah In L A of course you're going to get celebrities and you guys have had so many celebrities in your this Madonna the Beach Boys Well it's our 100th anniversary and it dawned on me The appropriate title theme for it should be that we've been creating memories I have a letter from Michelle Phillips from the papa is telling me how she did not know what Mexican food was and Jack Nicholson was dating her and said well I'm going to show you the best Mexican food in town and took her here I have a letter from Louis Zamperini who was the theme for the book Unbroken And he wrote me a letter saying that one of the things that kept them alive in Japanese prison camp was why don't they come back here and eat a number one combination I've been an El Cholo regular for years and in my opinion there's not a bad seat in the house but according to Ron this is the worst seat in the house

because it's right near the kitchen So if you sit here which is what I'm going to do you get free nachos So this is the nacho table It's nacho bad Our cheese is a year old cheese comes from Special Ranch in Wisconsin and it's one year old which gives it the sharpness and the mail ability You can taste the difference Yeah OK And tell me how nachos got introduced to L a it was Carmen Rocha came here as a server applied for a job as a server She brought nachos with her I toast Carmen with this nacho Carmen This is to you I love you Oh this is the famous taste of history plate right But it's a special plate and tell me what's on it Cheese enchilada My favorite A rolled taco OK chili reel and a pork tamale So this is really a tribute to our first early menu It's so good I heard Tom Hanks had this That's correct What do you say Well it was kind of sad They asked him the last meal he'd eat before he died What would it be And it was this this history right That's that's a ringing endorsement from Tom Hanks in our 100th anniversary Now I'm getting asked a lot to look back I've never spent my life looking back I always get up every morning seeing what we're gonna do today It's a restaurant and I learned from the beginning to go in the restaurant business You don't go in it to make money you go into it because you love doing what you're doing and if you do it well enough you'll be rewarded El Cholo's been in L A for 100 years Cheers to 100 more Cheers Yay Thank you Ok I may or may not still be a little tipsy from that Shoot All right back with more 100 when L A unscripted returns Welcome back to L A unscripted centennial celebration from the 100 year old Bill Moore I'm Danny Devin and we've rounded up a few spots turning 100 this year like this incredible spot built in 1923 The Coliseum is a national historic landmark and cherished by all Angelenos The L A Coliseum is a absolutely incredible national historic monument We are a 100 year old building sporting events entertainment events political community events we really do it all and have done it all for the last 100 years The Coliseum wrote ground on December 21st of 1921 and it was almost a 18 month building project They broke ground with the Coliseum on May 1st of 1923 we actually started and we opened up with the intention of being a memorial to those who served in World War One That was the original intention of the Coliseum opening it up Additionally we looked to bring the 1932 Olympics to the region So with that we needed to have a place for athletes to perform and to compete when the Olympics returns to Los Angeles in 2028 It will actually be the third time that the L A memorial Coliseum hosts the Olympics making us the only venue worldwide to do so three times So we hosted the first time in 1932 2nd one was in 1984 and the third one in 2028 we have hosted six presidential visits here total So just going back to the political events JFK Ronald Reagan Franklin Delano Roosevelt President Dwight D Eisenhower was here Richard Nixon Martin Luther King spoke here Billy Graham speak here as well Nelson Mandela We are in like the hallway of the Great right Is this what you call Absolutely So this is the Court of Honor here at the Coliseum all these pillars with a whole bunch of plaques up here showing a variety of different L A icons that have made an impact on the city So you mentioned the original building of this Coliseum but I'm sure there have been some renovation since Right Yes absolutely So actually most recently in 2019 we renovated the entire seating b if you guys look behind us here 78,000 brand new seats were installed about three shades darker than the colum or UC cardinal red and just that they would fade into the perfect you see red color So that's kind of what you see today behind us The legacy not just as a national historic landmark but also just everything that's happened here It's been the stage for some of the most extraordinary athletic events It's been the stage for some just incredible talent really just over the years it's made itself known sort of as that And next on our list for turning 100 this year one of your favorite movie studios Jasmine is back and checking in with the home of Friends Ted Lasso and Sex in the city 100 years ago the studio was really small We've now expanded into 100 and 10 acres So in that time we've been able to make timeless films movies TV shows things that everyone loves and watches with their family and their friends here at Warner Brothers studio Tour Hollywood We plan on celebrating the 100 years by bringing in a nice little exhibit in our lobby So that way people can walk around and understand what we've done how we've done it the impact that we've made to society in the world we're here on the lot So I had to get you a private cart Let's jump on the cart What how I unscripted Let's go The studio is turning 100 but the tour actually turns 50 years this year When you start the tour you start in this amazing arrival hall where you get to learn about the brothers about classics about television about innovation animation and television The second part is learning So you go out with a tour guide to really ride on the back lot sets to knock on walls and see doors and see where your favorite actors and actresses have done their job This is the house for the prom episode and where I was just sitting on the stairs That was where Ross was He was like playing his Cassi on the first stop We're about to go to is Hennessy street and Tenement Alley Hennessy street and Tenement Alley are one of our oldest back lots So it's been here from the twenties and 30 where you've got the gangster films And actually what's really cool Dale Hennessy actually brought fire escapes from New York to make it look like an urban kind of rundown location Magician Where are we going next Next We're gonna go to stage 48 321 Wait a minute Are these costume from Abbott Elementary These are costumes from Abbot Elementary They've been taken home so many awards lately And what's really cool is here in the 100th year anniversary We're making sure that we turn our front room here at stage 48 script to screen and a Heritage Month So right now it's Black Excellence and then we'll have Hispanic Heritage We'll have Asia Pacific Islander Month Heritage Month and we'll just make sure that we can let people see themselves in film and television here in this section of stage 48 we've got my fair lady Casablanca We've got the leading ladies of Hollywood Like these are must see costumes that if you're a classics fan or a casual fan that wants to check out some of our classic movies This is the location for that And then the last part of the tour is the immersion part where you get to touch some see some things see some vehicles that you may love for movies and TV shows the legacy of being here 100 years It's priceless Going from the brothers selling their dads watching their horse to make their first nickelodeons to where we are today with the numerous companies the millions of viewers and I feel in our 100 years we've done a really good job of pinpointing places in life and time Both the good the bad the ugly to showcase how life can imitate art So many hits from that studio Ok Last stop on our 100 celebration tour The ultimate symbol of Hollywood the Hollywood sign you know it's a penultimate symbol of Southern California They could do beaches but there are beaches everywhere We have a nice architectural buildings but there's other buildings that are just as significant elsewhere But the one symbol that nobody else has is that Hollywood sign If you think about it there would be no Hollywood sign if it weren't for the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce So the Hollywood sign started as a promotion for a real estate development The development was called Hollywood Land It was built by a consortium of las leading citizens including the Chandlers from the L A Times as part of it They put this big sign on the hill that said Hollywood land So by the 19 forties it was in pretty bad shape And in fact in 1948 there was a windstorm that blew down The h and the residents started complaining to the city This thing is a disgrace It's an embarrassment tear it down So the city was planning to tear down the Hollywood sign At which time the chamber stepped forward and said well we think it should be safe and the chamber is willing uh to rebuild it if the city will allow us The city said ok the chamber

can rebuild the sign but you've got to take off the land and just says Hollywood by about 1978 the first O in Hollywood the top half had blown down and the second O had completely fallen down again The chamber stepped forward and said to the city we'd like to raise the money and completely rebuild it and re engineer it to modern standards So it's going to last this time They did several things to raise the money They had tried to find sponsors for the letters Alice Cooper was the first sponsor and uh the last letter was sponsored by Groucho Marx So that signs in great shape today they continually monitor it to be sure it's seismically safe even though it's fallen down in numerous movies It has been a tremendous advertising vehicle for Los Angeles Hollywood and southern California for 100 years And that is all the time we have for tonight Thank you so much to the Biltmore for celebrating your 1/100 birthday The unscripted way and go out and visit all of these 100 year old places So they get to stay around for another 100 years Good night everyone We'll see you next time