



## **Immediate Release**

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### **Discovering San Pedro's Unique Homes Home Tour & Celebration Event on Sunday, June 13, 2010**

The home and studio of nationally recognized public art sculptor Eugene Daub is one of six San Pedro homes to be featured on this year's *Spring for White Point Home Tour & Reception*, an annual fundraiser hosted by the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy and the Spring for White Point Committee to benefit the White Point Nature Preserve in San Pedro. The self-guided tour will be held on Sunday, June 13, 2010 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm followed by a reception and silent auction at the new White Point Nature Education Center on the Preserve from 4:30pm to 7pm.

Mr. Daub is one of the leading classical relief sculptors in the nation who has earned numerous awards in full-figure, monumental and bas-relief sculpture throughout his career of more than 30 years. His work is in the permanent collections of the Smithsonian Institution, The British Museum, Ellis Island Museum, as well as other public installations in the U.S. including the Harvey Milk Memorial in San Francisco, bronze bust of Harry Bridges on the waterfront in San Pedro, and the monument commemorating the crew of U.S.S. San Diego on the San Diego waterfront.

This event is a rare opportunity to view Mr. Daub's studio and home along with six others that reflect the rich diversity of architecture and lifestyles in the San Pedro community including:

- gorgeous water lily gardens, an atrium and footbridge over a 15,000 gallon Koi pond leading to the front door of a contemporary home that offers an unobstructed view of Catalina Island from its three viewing decks and backyard pool;

- a charming wood frame cottage built in the 1920's that captured the essence of San Pedro for its New Zealand owners, an established contemporary painter and a recognized architect, who designed and added a modern painting studio to the backyard.
- a mid-century California ranch nestled in a landscape with mature native plants and magnificent Pacific Ocean and Catalina views, this house has recently been remodeled for modern family indoor/outdoor living with a lovely designer kitchen and an outdoor kitchen and living room complete with fireplace.
- A colonial style home completely remodeled over 15 years by its current owners to create spacious rooms for entertaining with raised ceilings, marble floors, fabulous custom woodwork and wall coverings and to display their many 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century American and European antiques, china and glassware collections.

Included on the tour will be an opportunity to view the new White Point Nature Education Center that features multi-media exhibits of White Point's cultural and natural history and a native plant demonstration garden and which will serve as a community resource for students, families and community groups from all over Los Angeles. Local author Bungy Hedley will give a special presentation at the Center with stories about her family's life and adventures on the beach in a home they built of driftwood at Royal Palms in 1945. Before WWII, she used to play with the children of the Japanese farmers on the Preserve when her family lived right out on the cliff where the entrance kiosk is today! She will also sign copies of her book, "View from the Top of the Mast," about her experiences as a female crewmember on sailboats during the late 40's and 50's.

Tickets and more information are available on the Land Conservancy's website at [www.pvplc.org](http://www.pvplc.org) or call (310) 541-7613. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$50.00 per person or on the day of the event for \$55 each. Discounted tickets are available for groups of 6 or more.

**The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy** is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All proceeds will be used for continuing site improvements, habitat restoration, education and outreach programs at the White Point Nature Preserve.

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