ARTIST PANCA’S
“EL MÁS ALLÁ”

A mural by Panca contains a world of both whimsy and unease: rainbows, hearts and smiles share a space with undefinable, oversized creatures that walk the line between cute and creepy. Panca’s work spans from street art in Ensenada and Tijuana to murals throughout San Diego and Orange County. For her latest installation, “El Más Allá,” Panca (Paola Villaseñor) adds a message of healing to the mix. As part of The New Children’s Museum’s Mass Creativity artist residency, Panca invents an environment to help children process the effects of the pandemic as well as inspire them to future action. Her pyramid-shaped creature, Maslow, for example, is based on famed psychologist Abraham Maslow’s hierarchy of needs, and there will also be a giant slide that transports visitors from reality into the world of her immersive murals. “El Más Allá” is on view from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. Thursdays through Mondays. The New Children’s Museum, 200 W. Island Ave., downtown. $10 general admission; free for children under age 1; (619) 233-8792, thinkplaycreate.org

“American Perspectives IV: The Silver Score”: The La Jolla Music Society’s SummerFest continues with plenty of concerts, lectures and open rehearsals. One standout this week includes “The Silver Score,” a program that highlights music from the movies, including “Psycho” and “Star Wars.” The night also features performances by the Balourd St Quartet and Calder Quartet, as well as composer Aaron Zigman’s world premiere Rhapsody for Cello and Piano performed by Inon Barnatan and Alisa Weilerstein. 3 p.m. Sunday (a pre-concert interview begins at 2 p.m.). Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Ave., La Jolla. $45 to $95. (858) 459-3728, ljms.org

Brain Candy: The Art Collectors: Are you interested in getting into or learning more about art collecting? Vanguard Culture presents this virtual salon all about how to start and what to look for when putting together an art collection of your own. Featured speakers for this event include Sonya Sparks (Sparks Gallery); Elsie Arredondo (ENA Appraisals & Arredondo Art Gallery); Johnny Tran (Thumbprint Gallery); and Alexander Salazar (Salazar Fine Art). Noon to 2 p.m. Monday. Virtual event. $15 donation suggested. Register at vanguardculture.com.

Troupe Vertigo: The San Diego Symphony performs together with aerial artists, contortionists and ballet dancers from Troupe Vertigo, a Los Angeles-based circus company. Guest conductor Enrico Lopez-Yañez leads this mesmerizing performance that combines music, theater, dance and awe-inspiring acrobatics. 7:30 p.m. today. Rady Shell at Jacobs Park, 222 Marina Park Way, downtown. $25 to $95. (619) 235-0804, theshell.org

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