



# JPL HIKING CLUB

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## Getty Museum Day Hike

**Date: Saturday, May 20, 2000**

**Meet: JPL West Parking Lot (carpool to the Getty Museum)**

**Time: Leave promptly at 10:30 AM      Trip Limit: 14      Rating: Easy**

**Cost: \$5.00 per car to park (each person in car will share cost); museum is free**

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**Description:** "I am convinced that the true collector does not acquire objects of art for himself alone... Appreciating the beauty of an object, he is willing and even eager to have others share his pleasure." (J. Paul Getty)

The Getty Center Museum was created for the public through the generosity of oil millionaire J. Paul Getty. Mr. Getty was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota but lived most of his adult life in Europe where he began collecting art in

the 1930's. His interests centered mainly on Greek and Roman antiquities, Renaissance and Baroque paintings, and European decorative arts, but the museum has acquired other famous collections as well, which reflect the spirit and enthusiasm of Mr. Getty.

A very special collection of antiquities is temporarily on display in the West Pavilion at the Center until the Malibu Villa reopens after its remodeling. This collection features a fifth-century B.C. limestone and marble statue of a goddess believed to be Aphrodite and an early Cycladic harpist - one of only 10 known to exist - dating back to 2500 B.C. Also on display are such famous antiquities as Lansdowne Herakles (Roman, about A.D. 125), and Victorious Youth (Greek, late fourth century B.C.). The museum also acquired a collection of very famous Old Master drawings and manuscripts during the 1980's, even though Mr. Getty himself did not collect them. This very famous collection of drawings includes Christ with Lamb (Leonardo da Vinci, about 1503 - 1506), Woman with a Snake (Rembrandt, about 1637), Joseph Roulin (van Gogh, 1888), and Michelangelo's The Holy Family with the Infant Saint John the Baptist. There are other famous and noteworthy collections on display, as well as the beautiful gardens to walk and explore. We will meet at the JPL west parking lot and carpool to the Getty Center Museum. We will leave promptly at 10:30 am. Our parking reservations are for 11:30 am, and we will have the rest of the day to stroll through the museum and the gardens. We will carpool from the museum back to JPL at approximately 5:30 pm.

You must RSVP to attend by May 19. There is a limit of 14 people. If the trip is over-subscribed, Hiking Club rules apply.