

Dangerous streets are the leading cause of death of our children. It's time to finally make L.A. walkable

<http://www.latimes.com/opinion/livable-city/la-oe-podemski-walkable-city-20160912-snap-story.html>



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SEP 12, 2016

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Angelenos dream of a new 'citified' Los Angeles, but will we be able to practice what we preach?

<http://www.latimes.com/opinion/livable-city/la-oe-ulin-mid-city-development-20171002-story.html>



DAVID L. ULIN
OCT 2, 2017

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Neighborhood streets shouldn't be speedways, but they shouldn't be parking lots either

<http://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-ulin-one-way-streets-in-the-neighborhoods-20180928-story.html>



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SEP 28, 2018

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Speed kills. So do carbon emissions. So why does California give free rein to leadfoots?

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/editorials/la-ed-speed-limits-20181213-story.html>

THE TIMES EDITORIAL BOARD

DEC 13, 2018

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[Los Angeles is a city of parking lots. It doesn't have to be](https://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-karalis-sanders-los-angeles-parking-20181217-story.html)

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-karalis-sanders-los-angeles-parking-20181217-story.html>



NIK KARALIS & JAMES SANDERS

DEC 17, 2018

Nik Karalis is the chief executive officer of the global architecture studio Woods Bagot. He is an architect, interior designer and masterplanner who has held key positions in several leading global international practices, including more than two decades in senior roles at Woods Bagot, one of the Top 10 global architectural and design practices.

His experience covers residential, hospitality, retail, civic and commercial (including workplace interiors) projects, with a strong focus on masterplanning and the effective use of urban spaces.

He has worked at Woods Bagot's studios in London and Beijing – as well as in Melbourne – and manage major design projects across Australia, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and North America.

James Sanders is an architect, author, and filmmaker in New York City, whose work has garnered him a Guggenheim Fellowship and an Emmy Award, among other honors. He is the global architecture studio Woods Bagot's Design Council chair. He co-wrote the Emmy Award-winning PBS series, "New York: A Documentary Film."

[The LAPD's pedestrian safety program is just a jaywalker's Get Out of Jail Free card](https://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-ulin-pedestrian-20181220-story.html)

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-ulin-pedestrian-20181220-story.html>



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[All those scooters everywhere? That's a good thing](https://www.latimes.com/opinion/editorials/la-ed-scooters-los-angeles-ban-20190307-story.html)

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presumption that serious, non-partisan, intellectually honest engagement with the world is a requirement of good citizenship.

L.A. backs Venice Boulevard's controversial 'road diet' as activists threaten to sue

<https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-venice-mar-vista-bike-lane-20190308-story.html>



LAURA J. NELSON
MAR 8, 2019

Laura J. Nelson covers transportation and mobility issues across Southern California. She was part of the team of reporters awarded the Pulitzer Prize in breaking news for coverage of the 2015 terrorist attack in San Bernardino. Before joining The Times in 2012, Nelson wrote for the Boston Globe, the Tampa Bay Times and the Los Angeles Daily News. Laura grew up in suburban Kansas City in a family of journalists and graduated from the University of Southern California.

Free rides on Earth Day for L.A. bus, train and bike commuters

<https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-earth-day-deals-metro-bus-bike-20190421-story.html>



LAURA J. NELSON
APR 21, 2019

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More people are dying on L.A.'s streets despite a push to eliminate traffic fatalities

<https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-traffic-deaths-bike-pedestrian-los-angeles-vision-zero-20190425-story.html>



LAURA J. NELSON
APR 25, 2019

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Times staff writer Dakota Smith contributed to this report.

In L.A.'s future, you may not need a car, insurance or a parking space

<https://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-lopez-future-sustainability-garcetti-los-angeles-20190501-story.html>



STEVE LOPEZ
MAY 1, 2019

Steve Lopez is a California native who has been an L.A. Times columnist since 2001. He has won more than a dozen national journalism awards for his reporting and column writing at seven newspapers and four news magazines, and is a three-time Pulitzer finalist for commentary – in 2012, for his columns on elder care; in 2016, for his columns on income inequality in California; and in 2018, for his columns on housing and homelessness. He is the author of three novels, two collections of columns and a non-fiction work called “The Soloist,” which was a Los Angeles Times and New York Times best-seller, winner of the PEN USA Literary Award for Non-Fiction, and the subject of a Dream Works movie by the same name. Lopez’s television reporting for public station KCET has won three local news Emmys, three Golden Mike awards and a share of the Columbia University DuPont Award.

Using California gas tax to reduce traffic lanes? Not how it should be spent, some say

<https://www.latimes.com/la-bio-patrick-mcgreevy-staff.html>



PATRICK MCGREEVY
SACRAMENTO
MAY 27, 2019

Patrick McGreevy covers the California Legislature out of the Sacramento bureau. Since joining the Los Angeles Times in 1998, he has worked in the City Hall and San Fernando Valley bureaus, writing about subjects including Valley secession, LAPD reform and city government during the administrations of Mayors Richard Riordan, James Hahn and Antonio Villaraigosa. He is a native of San Diego and a graduate of San Jose State University.

L.A.’s slow buses aren’t just shedding riders, they’re becoming climate liabilities

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/livable-city/la-oe-matute-bus-metro-climate-change-emissions-20190618-story.html>



JUAN MATUTE
JUN 18, 2019

As Deputy Director of the UCLA Institute of Transportation Studies, Juan Matute manages the Center’s operations, external relations, research, and student programs. As a Lecturer in Urban Planning, Juan teaches graduate classes Policy and Planning for the Mobility Revolution and Environmental Assessment for Urban Systems. Juan researches innovation in public transit, parking, and mobility services in response to climate change, congestion, and urban market dynamics. He led UCLA’s work on two strategic transit plans for the State of California and long-range climate action plans for Southern California communities. Juan has worked with research teams to quantify the number of parking spaces in Los Angeles County, assess life-cycle environmental impacts of the Los Angeles Metro system, and examine the cost-effectiveness of GHG reductions from California’s High Speed Rail. Juan holds an MBA and Urban Planning MA from UCLA and a BA from Pomona College.

L.A. is hemorrhaging bus riders — worsening traffic and hurting climate goals

<https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-bus-ridership-falling-los-angeles-la-metro-20190627-story.html>



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Metro is doing a bad job making transit habit-forming for Angelenos

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2019-11-29/los-angeles-metro-transit-riders-habits>



WENDY WOOD

Wendy Wood is a professor of psychology and business at USC. She is the author of "Good Habits, Bad Habits: The Science of Making Positive Changes That Stick."

San Francisco made one its busiest streets car-free. L.A. can do it too

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2020-01-30/san-francisco-made-market-street-car-free-la-can-do-it-too>

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Los Angeles is building plenty of housing ... for cars

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2020-02-05/los-angeles-parking-too-much-housing-for-cars>



ANTHONY DEDOUSIS
FEB 5, 2020

Anthony Dedousis is director of research and analysis for [Abundant Housing L.A.](#) and an Expo Line commuter.

Orson Bean's death on Venice street sparks mourning, concern over pedestrian safety

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-02-09/orson-bean-death-safety-pedestrians>



NINA AGRAWAL & IRFAN KHAN
FEB 9, 2020

Nina Agrawal is a staff writer for the Los Angeles Times. She previously reported for WLRN-Miami Herald News and for the Latin American affairs magazine Americas

Quarterly. A Southern California native, Agrawal is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism and School of International and Public Affairs.

Irfan Khan has been a staff photographer with the Los Angeles Times since 1996. He previously served as a freelance photographer for the publication beginning in 1989. Khan started his career as a commercial photographer in 1973 in Pakistan and moved to Dubai in 1977, where he worked for an advertising agency and at a leading English newspaper. Khan's assignments have taken across Southern California and the U.S. Internationally, he has photographed the Hajj in Saudi Arabia and war zones of the Pakistan/Afghanistan border in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. He was part of the team awarded the Pulitzer Prize in breaking news for coverage of the 2015 terrorist attack in San Bernardino. In his spare time, he enjoys listening to semi-classical music of the Indian subcontinent and playing cricket on Sundays.

Times staff writer Laura J. Nelson contributed to this report.

San Francisco bans most cars from Market Street. Will other California cities follow?

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-02-12/san-francisco-ban-private-cars-market-street>



RONG-GONG LIN

FEB 12, 2020

Rong-Gong Lin II is a metro reporter for the Los Angeles Times, specializing in covering statewide earthquake safety issues and Northern California. He won the California Newspaper Publishers Assn.'s Freedom of Information Award and the University of Florida's Joseph L. Brechner Freedom of Information Award. He was a finalist for the Ursula and Gilbert Farfel Prize for Excellence in Investigative Reporting and the Knight Award for Public Service. A San Francisco area native, he graduated from UC Berkeley in 2004.

Mayor Garcetti: Slow Streets L.A. To Launch In Two Neighborhoods

<https://www.lamayor.org/mayor-garcetti-slow-streets-la-launch-two-neighborhoods>

MAY 15, 2020

New initiative will calm traffic on residential streets to create space for safer outdoor recreation

With restaurants hurting, cities look to turn streets into dining rooms

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-05-19/long-beach-mulls-opening-streets-for-dining-and-recreation>



LUKE MONEY

MAY 19, 2020

Luke Money is a Metro reporter covering breaking news at the Los Angeles Times. He previously was a reporter and assistant city editor for the Daily Pilot, a Times Community News publication in Orange County, and before that covered education, politics and government for the Santa Clarita Valley Signal. He earned his bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Arizona, where he was the editor-in-chief of the college newspaper, The Arizona Daily Wildcat.

Times Community News staff writer Matt Szabo contributed to this report.

[Caving in to car ownership](https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2020-08-06/buying-my-first-car-in-los-angeles)

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2020-08-06/buying-my-first-car-in-los-angeles>



SEWELL CHAN
EDITOR OF THE EDITORIAL PAGES
AUG. 6, 2020

As the editorial page editor, Sewell Chan oversees the editorial board and the Op-Ed and Sunday Opinion pages of the Los Angeles Times. He was named to the position in April 2020.

Chan previously served as a deputy managing editor, overseeing foreign and national news coverage; the front page; the Data and Graphics Department; the multiplatform copy desks; newsletters; and the editorial library. He also supervised the home page and audience engagement teams and helped reorganize them into an integrated News Desk.

Before joining The Times in September 2018, Chan worked for 14 years at the New York Times, where he was a metro reporter, Washington correspondent, deputy Op-Ed editor and international news editor. Chan began his career in July 2000 as a reporter at the Washington Post, reporting on local government, education and social services. He has also written for the Wall Street Journal and the Philadelphia Inquirer.

A native New Yorker, Chan grew up in an immigrant family and was the first in his family to finish college. He graduated from Harvard with a degree in social studies and received a master's degree in politics from Oxford, where he studied on a British Marshall scholarship.

Chan is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the Pacific Council on International Policy, and PEN America, which defends free expression. He serves on the board of the News Leaders Association (formerly the American Society of News Editors) and the Board of Incorporators of Harvard Magazine. He was previously a member of the national advisory board at the Poynter Institute.

[Eyes on the Street: Downtown Culver City Expanded Outdoor Dining, New Bus Lane](https://la.streetsblog.org/2020/08/12/eyes-on-the-street-downtown-culver-city-expanded-outdoor-dining-new-bus-lane/)

<https://la.streetsblog.org/2020/08/12/eyes-on-the-street-downtown-culver-city-expanded-outdoor-dining-new-bus-lane/>

JOE LINTON
AUG 12, 2020

Streetsblog LA

[Why don't Angelenos jaywalk? It isn't because nobody walks in L.A.](https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-03-02/why-dont-angelenos-jaywalk-it-isnt-because-nobody)

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-03-02/why-dont-angelenos-jaywalk-it-isnt-because-nobody>



PATT MORRISON
MAR 2, 2021

Patt Morrison is a writer and columnist for the Los Angeles Times, where her work has spanned national politics and stories from the Los Angeles riots and earthquakes and the Space Shuttle to the Super Bowl – which she covered from inside a women's bathroom – and the death of the Princess of Wales. As a member of two Los Angeles Times' reporting teams, she has a share of two Pulitzer Prizes.

For her work hosting programs on public television and radio, she has received six Emmy awards and a dozen Golden Mikes. Patt is also a regular commentator on the Emmy-winning "L.A. Times Today" show on Spectrum 1.

Patt was featured on the cover of "Talkers" Magazine as one of its "Heavy 100" top radio hosts in the nation – a first for any local radio host. She created and hosted "Comedy

Congress,” a political satire on her radio show, which twice earned Golden Mike awards as best public affairs show.

Her nonfiction books, “Rio L.A., Tales from the Los Angeles River” and “Don’t Stop the Presses! Truth, Justice, and the American Newspaper,” were both bestsellers.

A few among her myriad interview subjects: Salman Rushdie, Jimmy Carter, both James Watson and Francis Crick, Al Gore, Frank Gehry, four past and present Supreme Court justices (Sonia Sotomayor, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Stephen Breyer and Sandra Day O’Connor), Norman Mailer, Carl Sagan, Gore Vidal, Kenneth Branagh, Jodie Foster, Jack Lemmon, Steve Martin, Edward Albee, Timothy Leary, Jane Goodall, Stephen Hawking, Eldridge Cleaver, Ray Bradbury, Leonard Cohen, Oprah Winfrey and five of the seven original Mercury astronauts.

She was an early regular panelist on the radio comedy show “Wait, Wait – Don’t Tell Me!” She has been a crossword puzzle clue, the central figure in a diptych called “The Triumph of Civility,” by Los Angeles painter John Martin. Pink’s, the renowned Hollywood hot dog stand, named its vegetarian dog, the “Patt Morrison Baja Dog,” after her.

[After the pandemic, outdoor dining and ‘slow streets’ should live on](https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2021-04-11/pandemic-public-spaces)

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2021-04-11/pandemic-public-spaces>

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[My friend was killed riding a bike. He wanted cities built for people, not cars](https://www.latimes.com/environment/newsletter/2021-04-15/biker-killed-safe-streets-los-angeles-boiling-point)

<https://www.latimes.com/environment/newsletter/2021-04-15/biker-killed-safe-streets-los-angeles-boiling-point>



SAMMY ROTH

APR 15, 2021

Sammy Roth covers energy for the Los Angeles Times and writes the weekly [Boiling Point](#) newsletter. He previously reported for the Desert Sun and USA Today, where he focused on renewable energy, climate change, electric utilities and public lands. He grew up in Westwood and would very much like to see the Dodgers win the World Series again.

[West Hollywood To Close Robertson Blvd. To Cars On Weekends](https://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2021/04/16/west-hollywood-to-close-robertson-blvd-to-cars-on-weekends/)

<https://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2021/04/16/west-hollywood-to-close-robertson-blvd-to-cars-on-weekends/>

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[West Hollywood debuts pedestrian zone along Robertson Boulevard](https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-04-17/west-hollywood-pedestrian-zone-robertson-boulevard)

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-04-17/west-hollywood-pedestrian-zone-robertson-boulevard>



ALEX WIGGLESWORTH
APRIL 17, 2021

Alex Wigglesworth is an environment reporter who covers wildfires for the Los Angeles Times. Before joining the newsroom in 2016, she was a general assignment reporter for the Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com. A Philadelphia native, she graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in medical anthropology and global health. She currently lives in Inglewood.

[Could West Hollywood’s New Pedestrian-Only Street Program Be a Model for All of LA?](https://la.eater.com/authors/mona-holmes)

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MONA HOLMES
APR 19, 2021

LA-native, explorer of all things food and drink in my city. Writer, Storyteller. Eater LA reporter, creator, backyard gardener, animal lover, wife.

[Eliminate parking requirements: Housing people is more important than housing cars](https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2021-04-26/editorial-eliminate-parking-requirements-housing-people-is-more-important-than-housing-cars)

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[LA City Council Takes a Huge Step in Making Outdoor Dining Program Permanent](https://la.eater.com/platform/amp/2021/5/13/22430671/los-angeles-city-council-vote-temporary-outdoor-dining-al-fresco-program-permanent-am-intel)

<https://la.eater.com/platform/amp/2021/5/13/22430671/los-angeles-city-council-vote-temporary-outdoor-dining-al-fresco-program-permanent-am-intel>



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MAY 13, 2021

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