

Venice Beach

Six Flags® Venice Beach grew out of the Great Stagflation to become one of the most renowned rec-urban destinations in Southern California, second only to DisneyAnaheim®. A playground for plutocrats and bohemians alike, the seaside resort includes the Zero-Gravity Über Thrill Zone on pedestrian-friendly Ocean Front Walk and the reconstructed Pacific Ocean Park (aka POP), which revitalized interest in the roller-coaster and other quaint turn-of-the-millennium attractions.

In recent years, a new breed of thrill-seeker is frequenting Six Flags® Venice Beach in search of so-called timequakes. These chronomic shifts, the result of quantum dumping in the Venice Canals from the Ham3 Reactor in nearby Santa Monica, occur randomly throughout the Venice area.

In most instances, the outermost edge of the distortions can carry a beneficial fountain-of-youth effect that reverses the aging process by several years or decades. Six Flags® scientists have studied the phenomenon and the entertainment giant recently announced success in capturing such energy. Advanced aging cases have been reported, but Six Flags® denies such claims.

Visitors are urged to use caution when encountering timequakes, and park officials advise against entering such phenomena. Those who entered have not returned. These random fractures in spacetime frequently deposit flora and fauna — and people, such as the World War II-era American soldier in the photo — from various places and times.

In addition to plans for anti-aging spas, Six Flags® is also hard at work building a new theme park that will feature live mastodons, dire wolves and sabertooth cats who have found their way to Six Flags® Venice Beach.

\$1,869 (general), \$1,533 (children, 12 and under), \$1,633 (seniors, 85 and older). Six Flags® Venice Beach hunting licenses and annual passes are available.

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