

Van Nuys Airport Monthly Newsletter May 2025

Dear Van Nuys Airport Community,

I'm excited to share the latest updates and highlights from Van Nuys Airport (VNY). From participating in meaningful community celebrations with some of our local partners to recognizing the incredible workforce that supports our airport, we have a lot to be proud of at VNY.

As always, we remain dedicated to keeping you informed and engaged. We look forward to continuing our shared journey and invite you to be part of our ongoing story.

Best regards,
Jacob Haik
VNY Airport Manager

VNY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AIRPORT ACADEMY CELEBRATES SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION

This past April, Van Nuys Airport successfully completed its first Youth Leadership Airport Academy (YLAA), designed to empower youth through leadership development and to introduce them to potential career pathways in aviation over four sessions.



Throughout the academy, participants gained valuable insights into airport operations, developed leadership skills, and explored how young voices can shape community decisions, laying the groundwork for the next generation of aviation professionals. Initiatives like YLAA are part of a broader effort to ensure the airport remains a hub not only for aviation, but for youth empowerment and community growth.

VAN NUYS AIRPORT IN THE COMMUNITY

VAN NUYS AIRPORT CELEBRATES NATIONAL AVIATION MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN DAY

On May 24, Van Nuys Airport recognized National Aviation Maintenance Technician Day, honoring the dedicated professionals who keep aircraft safe, reliable, and ready for flight. This annual observance commemorates the birthday of Charles E. Taylor, the pioneering mechanic who built the engine for the Wright Brothers' first flight on December 17, 1903, earning him recognition as the "Father of Aircraft Maintenance."



VNY's skilled maintenance technicians perform critical inspections, repairs, and preventative maintenance, ensuring the highest standards of safety for every takeoff and landing.

Their expertise and commitment are vital to the airport's operations and the broader aviation industry. VNY is proud to recognize and thank the individuals behind the scenes who make safe and reliable flight possible every day.

VAN NUYS AIRPORT IN THE COMMUNITY

VNY HONORED AT MAGNOLIA SCIENCE ACADEMY 2'S COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS CELEBRATION

On Friday, May 30, Van Nuys Airport took part in the Magnolia Science Academy 2's Community Champions Celebration, where the airport was honored as a Community Champion. The event celebrated community partners who have supported the school and its students.



VNY was acknowledged for its role in the Youth Leadership Airport Academy, in which eight participating students came from the Magnolia Science Academy 2. Educating and inspiring the next generation of aviation professionals is a key priority for Van Nuys Airport, and partnerships like this help build a stronger, more inclusive future for the industry.

TENANT SPOTLIGHT

DREAMLINE AVIATION

With over 35 years of experience in private aviation and aircraft management, Dreamline Aviation is not only a trusted operator at Van Nuys Airport but also a committed community partner. In 2023, Dreamline Aviation teamed up with Signature Flight Support and nonprofit Arts Bridging the Gap to host a vibrant aircraft painting event on the airport tarmac.



The event brought together youth and families from across Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley to transform a decommissioned Learjet 60 into a public art installation. The effort supported arts education in under-resourced communities and gave participants a unique opportunity to engage directly with aviation in a creative and inspiring setting.

Van Nuys Airport is proud to recognize Dreamline Aviation for its continued dedication to meaningful community engagement and support of the San Fernando Valley community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Tuesday, June 3** – Van Nuys Airport Citizen Advisory Council Meeting
- **Friday, June 6** – United Chambers of Commerce of the San Fernando Valley Small Business Breakfast
- **Thursday, June 5** – Board of Airport Commissioners Meeting
- **Wednesday, June 25** – North Valley Occupational Center Summer Program Kick-off & VNY Tour
- **Saturday, June 28** – San Fernando Valley PRIDE March and Festival

Van Nuys Airport (VNY): VNY is one of two airports owned and operated by Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), a proprietary, revenue-generating department of the City of Los Angeles. VNY serves as a valued San Fernando Valley resource, providing ongoing leadership in general aviation, business and community service. Dedicated to noncommercial air travel, more than 200 businesses are located on the 730-acre airport, including four major fixed-base operators and numerous aviation service companies. For more information, visit iflyvny.com.



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