

Bottle Village Press Release July 18, 2012

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Shutterbug Sunday at Bottle Village

Sunday, July 29 from 4:30 to 6:30 PM.

Photography enthusiasts seeking a unique setting to practice their skills are encouraged to sign-up for a rare opportunity to photograph Bottle Village, a national historic place. Take advantage of the summer sunlight on Sunday, July 29, 2012 from 4:30 pm to 6:30 PM to capture the colorful and unusual bottles and mosaics composing this rare environmental folk art landscape. The Preserve Bottle Village committee is now accepting a limited number of reservations online at bottlevillage.com or by calling Alice at 805.338.7832. A donation of \$30 per photographer is suggested and will support site restoration efforts.

About Bottle Village: Located at 4595 Cochran Street in Simi Valley, California, Bottle Village is a one-third acre site folk art environment consisting of various shrines, wishing wells, follies, mosaic walkways, garden walls, artistic structures and a trailer which was the living quarters of self-taught artist, Tressa “Grandma” Prisbrey. The site’s artistic improvements were constructed from 1958 to 1978 out of bottles and other discarded objects retrieved from the artist’s daily visits to the local dump. The entire site, with its ensemble of structures and artifacts, is recognized as a significant example of American folk art. Bottle Village is a City of Simi Valley, County of Ventura and State of California Cultural Landmark and it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

About Preserve Bottle Village Board: Established in 1979, Preserve Bottle Village is an all-volunteer 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization dedicated to preserving, restoring, and re-opening Bottle Village as a folk art and glass cultural center with ongoing educational programs.