Get ready for anything

Disneyland fireworks
The best place to watch Disneyland’s nightly fireworks display is from inside the gates, but it’s not the only place you can see them. Just outside the gates of Disneyland and Disney California Adventure is the main esplanade. If you face the entrance to Disneyland, it’s almost like having a front-row seat.

Ralph Brennan’s Jazz Kitchen in Downtown Disney has upstairs balcony seating that gives you an amazing view. The outdoor seating at Naples Italian Restaurant also has a few tables that give you a direct view.

Want something a little more private? Hotel Menage, located right by Disneyland and Interstate 5, has one of the best views around. It has an outdoor bar and patio that gives you a direct view of the Matterhorn, where you can actually see the fireworks shooting off the top of the mountain.

Head outside and explore Orange County

As one of the largest dental conventions in the nation, CDA Presents The Art and Science of Dentistry offers seemingly countless opportunities for learning, socializing and more.

For the next three days, you can earn C.E. credit while getting the scoop on the latest clinical and technological advancements, see hundreds of West Coast product launches and explore a comprehensive exhibit floor featuring approximately 575 companies.

Educational sessions
With a myriad of choices, ranging from lectures to hands-on workshops to corporate forums, it’s hard to know where to start when it comes to obtaining those C.E. credits. Here are what promises to be some of the educational highlights of the show.

• “Why Porcelain Breaks: Occlusion for the Esthetic Restorative Practice” — This course, presented by John...
Cranham, DDS, will provide attendees with the necessary occlusal information to perform complex cosmetic and restorative procedures. Takes place from 9–11:30 a.m. today.

• “Demythifying the Endo/Implant Controversy: A Panel Discussion” — Moderated by Frank T. Curry, DDS, this lecture will feature a panel discussion with six expert dentists who will discuss the endodontic vs. implant controversy. Attendees can expect to take away an understanding of treatment planning for endodontic treatment vs. implant replacement of a compromised tooth. Takes place from 12:30–3 p.m. Friday.

• “The 360 Experience” — Hosted by four industry-leading, nationally recognized speakers, this full-day lecture series includes individual breakout sessions for restorative, assisting, hygiene and business management roles within the dental team. Takes place from 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Friday.

**New products**

The CDA Presents event in the CDA app has been updated to include information for the Anaheim convention. The app features easy access to meeting schedules and speaker information, exhibitor and product listings, interactive maps, real-time alerts such as course availability, an integrated social media hub and information on local hotels, restaurants and attractions. Search C.E. courses by day, topic and speaker. Download the CDA app from the App Store for iPhones or the Google Play Store for Android users.

The exhibit hall floor at CDA Presents will boast nearly 100 new West Coast product launches, allowing dentists to stay current on the latest trends in the industry. Some of these products include the Excellerator RT from Propol Orthodontics (booth No. 1640), the MinerOss X from BioHorizons (booth No. 1373), the DrQuickLook SD Plus from DrQuickLook (booth No. 2437) and the BioRoot RCS from Septodont (booth No. 330).

After checking out the latest products, dentists can stop by The Spot, the educational theater on the exhibit hall floor, for C.E. opportunities. At The Spot, dentists can attend the Smart Dentist Series of free one-hour lectures on topics ranging from Medicare enrollment to managing patient conflicts and more.