

## Most Influential: Sixteen People to Watch in Orange County Next Year

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Over the 10 days ending Sunday, the Register presented its 100 Most Influential People in Orange County for 2015.

We have one more list to present this year -- 16 To Watch In 2016.

In 2016, we will elect a new president. We will compete in the Olympic Games. We will watch the final season of "American Idol."

2016 could be an amazing year.

Several people from Orange County are poised to be major influencers on our lives in the upcoming year.

Here's a look at 16 people to watch in 2016. They are entertainers, writers, athletes, politicians, chefs and philanthropists.

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Larry Webb

**Job:** Chief executive, New Home Co.; Irvine

**Background:** Webb is the former CEO of John Laing Homes, which sold for \$1 billion to a United Arab Emirates real estate outfit, netting Webb more than \$200 million. After that sale the market crashed, and John Laing Homes went into Chapter 7 bankruptcy.

**Why he's one to watch:** Webb and former Irvine Co. homebuilding chief Joe Davis formed the New Home Co., now a growing private builder.

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