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Two Capital District Museums to Debut New Exhibits With Unifying Theodore Roosevelt Themes this June

*“This Means War!” Opens at the State Capitol Museum on June 14;
“The Great Dreamer and The Great Doer” Opens at the
Leland Stanford Mansion SHP on June 29*

SACRAMENTO, Calif. -- This June, both the California State Capitol Museum and the Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park (SHP) in the Capital District State Museums and Historic Parks will unveil exciting new exhibits that highlight Theodore Roosevelt and demonstrate his lasting impacts on California.

The California State Capitol Museum will debut a visually-enticing new exhibit titled **“This Means War!: California’s Role in the Spanish-American War”** on Monday, June 14, 2010. This powerful and educational exhibit showcases four colorful flags from the Spanish-American War, an authentic Rough Rider’s uniform (Theodore Roosevelt served as a Lieutenant Colonel of the Rough Riders), weapons used during the war and a fully-outfitted war horse. Designed to educate visitors about how the Spanish-American war was a turning point in American foreign policy that had far-reaching affects on California, this exhibit will continue through May 31, 2011.

Then on Tuesday, June 29, the Leland Stanford Mansion SHP will unveil an exhibit titled **“The Great Dreamer and The Great Doer: Theodore Roosevelt’s Impassioned Life.”** Through artifacts from Roosevelt’s trip out west in 1903, compelling images and campaign memorabilia, this inspirational exhibit will showcase Roosevelt’s life and dreams, nature and conservation beliefs, his accomplishments as well his lasting impact on California. This exhibit will continue through June 24, 2011.

For more information about “This Means War” or any other exhibits or activities happening at the California State Capitol Museum, please call (916) 324-0333 or visit www.capitolmuseum.ca.gov. For more information about “The Great Dreamer and The Great Doer” or events and activities happening at the Leland Stanford Mansion SHP, please call 916-324-0575 or visit www.parks.ca.gov/stanfordmansion

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Two Capital District Roosevelt Exhibits Continued

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About the California State Capitol Museum

The California State Capitol Museum is operated by California State Parks under contract to and supported by the California State Legislature. Open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for guided and self-guided tours of the Capitol Building and its extensive outdoor gardens, the Museum is located in the California State Capitol, in downtown Sacramento on 10th Street between L and N Streets. Admission is free. For more information, call (916) 324-0333 or visit <http://www.capitolmuseum.ca.gov>

About The Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park

The Visitor Center and Museum Store are open Tuesday – Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years Day. Guided tours are offered on most days between 10:00 and 5:00, with the last tour at 4:00 p.m. Please call (916) 324-0575 or check our website www.stanfordmansion.org for more information. Admission (Tour) Fees: Adults - \$5, Youths (ages 6-17) - \$3, Children (ages 5 and under) Free.

About the Capital District State Museums and Historic Parks

California State Parks' Capital District State Museums and Historic Parks encompasses the California State Capitol Museum, California State Indian Museum, California State Railroad Museum, Governor's Mansion State Historic Park, Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park, Old Sacramento State Historic Park and Sutter's Fort State Historic Park. For more information, visit www.parks.ca.gov/capitaldistrict.

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