

Sonoma and Petaluma Adobe State Historic Parks

September 2018 Events



Docent Orientation and Mixer ~ Thursday, September 6. (RSVP for time and location.)

Our Docent Training Program begins this month! Take this opportunity to share your passion for local history with visitors from around the world. Attend our casual docent orientation/mixer to learn more. RSVP to the volunteer coordinator at 707-938-9547 or Joleen.Ossello@parks.ca.gov.

Nature and Optics Festival ~ Saturday, September 8, 10:00am - 4:00pm

The 8th annual festival takes place at the Casa Grande area of the park, 20 East Spain Street. Exhibits include live owls, bats and raptors! Non-profit groups share nature displays and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service brings its airboat. Vendors of optics, cameras, and binoculars are on hand with equipment for demo and sale. Nature crafts entertain the kids. All ages, free of charge.

Campfire Program ~ Saturday, September 15, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Enjoy an early fall program around the campfire in the historic Sonoma Barracks Courtyard. Join in the fun with a short talk, songs and, of course, a marshmallow roast! All ages, free of charge.

Lecture: General Vallejo's Printing Press and its Role in California History by Dr. Peter Meyerhof ~ Thursday, September 20, 7:00pm

During the early years of the pueblo, General Vallejo seized the only printing press in California and brought it to Sonoma. This massive piece of American-made machinery issued the first medical book ever printed in California. The lecture takes place in the Mission Chapel. \$10 general admission, \$5 for SPPARKS members, docents and staff are free.

Twilight Nature Hike ~ Friday, September 21, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Our Nature Hike series continues with an early fall evening adventure! Meet in the Vallejo Home parking lot. This is a one mile, slow-paced hike with minor elevation changes. Sturdy shoes and water recommended. All ages. Free of charge. No reservation needed.

FANDANGO! at Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park ~ Saturday, September 22, Noon - 4pm

Welcome autumn's arrival by experiencing the dance and music of 1840's California with a "Fandango". Dances performed and taught by the **Baile de California** and **Yesteryear Dancers**, accompanied by a traditional folk-instrument orchestra of guitars and violins. Admission is \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for youth ages 6-17, Free for children under 5. 3325 Adobe Road, Petaluma.

Farmer's Market ~ Every other Tuesday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Stop and see us at the Tuesday Night Farmers Market in the Sonoma Plaza. We share information on State Parks, display educational items, and have crafts for kids. Sonomie Bear is there too!

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