

CONSIDER US FOR YOUR NEXT GROUP ACTIVITY!

California State Parks offers a number of programs in history and culture staffed by experienced historians, interpreters, and crafts people. Our staff can create a memorable program for your organization or occasion. A sampling of our programs includes:

- Special Interest Tours
- Behind-the-Scenes Tours
- Lectures & Presentations

The only limitation is your imagination. Let us make an impression on you as you travel through time. *(For more information, please check our website: www.parks.ca.gov/oldtownsandiego or email us at sd.specialevents@parks.ca.gov)*

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND INFORMATION.

Volunteers at Old Town San Diego State Historic Park are an integral part of Museum and Park operations. Dress up in Period Attire (1821-1872) and help bring history to life by sharing your enthusiasm, creativity, and passion with others. If you have experience and/or are interested in participating in any part of the park experience, we welcome you to be a part of the park. Meet new people, share San Diego's history, and help others!

ADDITIONAL PARKING AVAILABLE AT THE CALTRANS PARKING LOT ON WEEKENDS.

The CalTrans parking lot is located just off of Taylor Street on Sunset Street.



Thank you for your interest in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park, a part of the California State Parks system. Inquire at the Robinson-Rose Visitor Information Center or visit our website to find additional ways to experience California's history. Feel free to share your State Park adventures with us on our Facebook and Twitter. *#inventyouradventure*



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OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO STATE HISTORIC PARK.

2020 Event Calendar.

All our annual events are FREE unless otherwise specified. Events are subject to change. Please check our website at www.park.ca.gov/oldtownsandiego for current information on upcoming events & activities in the park.

WOMEN OF THE WEST

May 30th (12:00 pm-4:00 pm)

Learn about the past during our Fashion Promenade, where our staff and volunteers will show off various clothing trends of the nineteenth century. There will be two shows in La Casa de Estudillo during the event, one at noon and the other at 3:00 PM. Space is limited and entry will be on a first-come first-served basis. During the rest of the event, come see the role women played in Old Town San Diego, with historic activities like quilting, spinning, and 1800s penmanship.

OLD TOWN 4TH OF JULY

July 4th (11:00 am-4:00 pm).

Celebrate a historic Independence Day with Old Town San Diego! With a parade around the Plaza, crafts, & activities of early San Diego, visitors can experience a Fourth of July like it would have been in the 1800s. There will also be living history activities that are fun for the entire family.

HISTORIC SUMMER SATURDAYS

Saturdays in July and August.

On Saturdays in July and August, unlock the past with living history in the park. Each Saturday highlights one or more of our historic trades or guilds.



TRADES THAT SHAPED THE WEST

August 1st (12:00 pm-4:00 pm)

This event features volunteers and staff demonstrating 19th century trades you would see in communities throughout the West. Watch our blacksmith and woodworkers create useful objects from raw materials. View the printer hard at work on a printing press that is over 100 years old. Learn how hard it was to build a wheel from a piece of timber and metal scraps and much more.

TWAINFEST

August 15th (11:00 am-4:30 pm)

The 11th annual TwainFest celebrates the literature, music, culture, and history of 19th century America. People of all ages can engage with games and activities inspired by literature, attend the Authors' Salon, explore a Civil War Field Encampment, converse with giant puppets, have tea with Alice and the Mad Hatter, and so much more, all the while collecting participation tickets to exchange for free books to take home. It is all free and you won't want to miss it!

FIESTAS PATRIAS

September 12th (12:00 am-4:00 pm).

Enjoy Mexican Independence Day with music and fun historic activities. Living history activities and crafts will be found throughout the park so the public can experience the rich and diverse culture of Mexican California and commemorate this important day in Mexican history.

HALLOWEEN

October 31st (4:00-6:30 pm)

Enjoy trick-or-treating around the park.

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS

November 1st-2nd.

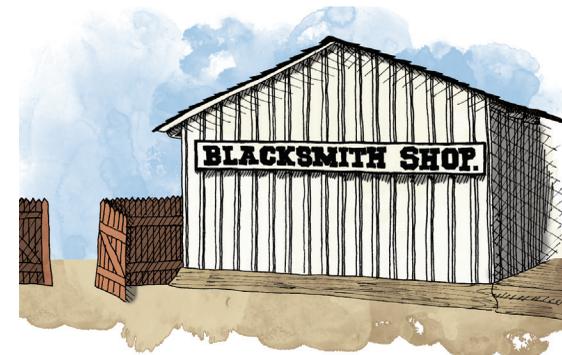
Many Día de los Muertos altars will be set up throughout the park and greater Old Town community during this event for visitors to enjoy. Altars commemorating the people who lived and worked in Old Town during the 1800s can be found in various museums throughout the park. There will also be a chalk graveyard set up where the public can write a memorial to a loved one.



ONGOING LIVING HISTORY ACTIVITIES.

Wednesdays & Saturdays: A variety of free activities and demonstrations that are fun and informative.

Blacksmithing: Every Monday-Thursday & Saturday



HISTORIC GUILDS AND TRADES

- Historic Contra Dance Society social, open to both dancers & spectators
- Historic Foodways, demonstrating historic cooking techniques
- Mountain Men, music & other activities
- Print Guild, demonstrations in historic printing techniques
- Fiber Arts, including carding & spinning wool, weaving, knitting, and crochet
- Historic Quilt Guild
- Californio Living History, including adobe brick making, colcha embroidery, and more
- Soap Makers, demonstrating historical soap making techniques
- Woodworking Guild, demonstrations using period woodworking tools
- 1800s Penmanship Guild, historical calligraphy demonstrations