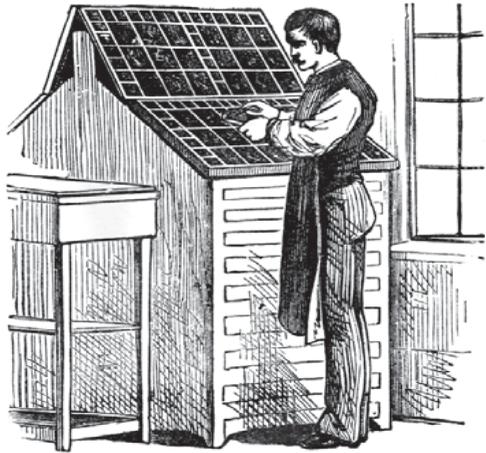


ONGOING LIVING HISTORY ACTIVITIES.

Every Wednesday & Saturday: A variety of free activities and demonstrations that are fun and informative.

Blacksmithing: Every Tuesday–Thursday & Saturday.

Woodworking: Every Tuesday.



First Saturday.

- Print Guild, using period technology to produce newspapers, cards, etc.
- Historic Dance Society social, open to both dancers & spectators.

Second Saturday.

- Californio Day, celebrating the early settlers in San Diego.
- Woodworking Guild.

Third Saturday.

- Fiber Arts (carding & spinning wool, weaving, knitting, crochet).
- Historic Quilt Guild.
- Mormon Battalion Museum (games, crafts, & other activities).

Fourth Saturday.

- Soap Makers (demonstrating historical techniques).
- Mountain Men (music & other activities).
- 1800s Tintype Photographers.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES & 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, be a part of the history, and help others!

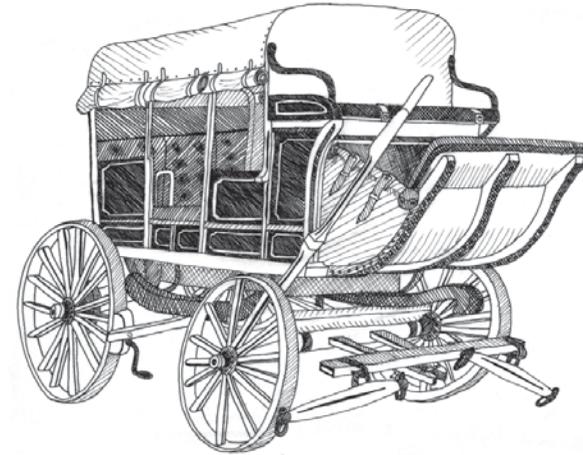
CONSIDER US FOR YOUR NEXT GROUP ACTIVITY!

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:

- Educational Tours
- Scavenger Hunts
- Special Interest Tours
- Behind-the-Scenes Tours
- Lectures & presentations
- Hands-On History Tours
- Scout Troop Badge Activities

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 call the Visitor Center at (619) 220-5422.)*

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.



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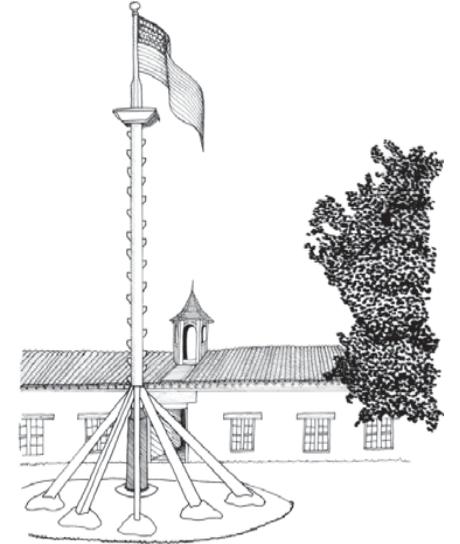


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OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO STATE HISTORIC PARK.

2015 Event Calendar.



All our annual events are FREE unless otherwise specified. Events are subject to change. Please check our website for current information on events & activities in the park. The Merchants Association hosts additional events; check www.facebook.com/fiestadereyes

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS.

January 18th (12:00 am–3:00 pm).

This annual Benediction of the Beasts celebrates St. Anthony of the Desert, the patron Saint of Animals. *(For more information, call 619-297-3100)*

MORMON BATTALION DAY.

January 31st (10:00 am–3:00 pm).

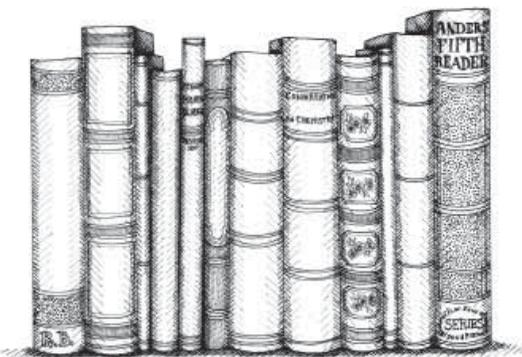
Learn about the Mormon Battalion's unique contributions to early San Diego's history and enjoy historic children's crafts, a Dutch oven bake-off, cannon firing, and other activities. *(For more information, call 619.298.3317)*

FIESTA DE REYES

FOLKLORICO COMPETITION

May 2nd & 3rd.

Sponsored by Fiesta de Reyes, the event in the park is part of the Old Town Community Fiesta Cinco de Mayo. The competing groups will be performing traditional folk dances that originated in various regions of Mexico. This colorful event will be both entertaining and informative for the entire family. *(for more information, call 619-297-3100)*



OLD TOWN 4TH OF JULY.

July 4th (11:30 am–4:00 pm).

A parade, music, dancing, crafts & activities of early San Diego recreate an American Independence Day as it was celebrated on the frontier.

STAGECOACH DAYS.

Saturdays in July 11–Aug 22nd (12:00–4:00 pm).

Saturday events centered around early San Diego's culture and history.

A Taste of the Past July 11th

Learn about early San Diego through the foods they ate, both local and exotic.

Women of the West July 18th

What was life like for the women of an American frontier town? The 4th Annual Quilt Walk will be part of the activities and demonstrations celebrating the women of early San Diego.

Days of the Vaqueros July 25th

See *vaqueros*—the original cowboys—ride, rope, and talk of life on the *ranchos*.

Trades That Shaped the West Aug 1st

See our blacksmiths, printers, woodworkers, and more to help you decide what job you would have chosen in the 1800s.

Soldiers & Citizens Aug 8th

San Diego's military history stretches back to its settlement in 1769. See historic uniforms, weapons, and hear their stories.

TwainFest (11:00 am–4:00 pm) Aug 15th

Literature comes to life through games and activities in the park.

The West on the Move Aug 22nd

Take a wagon ride through the park and see our own historic coaches on display.



FIESTAS PATRIAS.

September 12th (12:00–4:00 pm).

Celebrate Mexican Independence Day with a festival to commemorate and experience the rich and diverse culture of Mexican California. Music, dancing, parade, games, and activities for the entire family.

OLD TOWN'S FALL FESTIVAL.

October 10th. (12:00–4:00 pm)

Celebrations and festivals have been held during the fall since ancient times. The summer crowds are gone, the children are back in school. It is an excellent time for a family outing to explore the park. Join us for a day of crafts, games, and activities celebrating the changing of the seasons.

HALLOWEEN.

October 31st (4:00–6:30 pm).

Find treats for yourself and friends while enjoying extended shopping hours at a variety of in-park stores. The little ones can enjoy showing off their Halloween costumes while trick-or-treating at the participating locations throughout the park.

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS.

November 1st & 2nd.

Traditional altars commemorating the people who once lived here in Old Town will be set up in three of the museums. Additionally, some contemporary altars will be set up around the community.

BATTLE OF SAN PASQUAL.

December 6th (10:00 am - 4:00 pm).

Annual event at San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park. The event includes a variety of demonstrations and entertainment commemorating the U.S.-Mexican War.



HOLIDAY IN THE PARK.

Saturdays December 5th–26th. (Special Open House December 12th with additional holiday treats, activities, & music)

Looking for unique and interesting gifts this holiday season? The Merchants in the Park are extending their hours and will help you find just the right thing for the people on your list. The stores, restaurants, and museums in the park will be decorated to evoke the spirit of the season during the 1800s. From dusk until 9:00 pm you may take a break or end your evening with songs and a special holiday treat around the crackling fire on the plaza sponsored by Fiesta de Reyes.

65TH ANNUAL LAS POSADAS.

December 13th.

Based on the biblical journey of Mary and Joseph, this event has been part of Old Town San Diego's celebration of Christmas for many years. Sponsored by the Park Merchants Association and others. *(For more information, call 619-297-3100)*

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