

Ideas for Possible SBCHI Field Trips and Activities

Newspapers and other media provide information on events and activities as well as information on sources of materials and supplies.

FIELD TRIPS:

City Hall	Museums of all kinds
Hospital	Libraries of all kinds
Police Station	Parks & Recreation
Firehouse	Scenic gardens and nurseries
Post Office	Animal shelters or similar places
Dairy farm	Nursing homes and similar institutions
Planetariums	Tradesmen: electricians, mechanics
Music schools	Public library: story time, films, workshops
Dance schools	Historical sites, state and national landmarks
Fish hatcheries	Zoos: many zoos and entertainment facilities offer behind-the-scenes educational tours
YMCA & YWCA	Stores, businesses, & factories: many give tours, free samples, or let homeschoolers have all sorts of materials and discards.
Newspaper Office	
Telephone Company	
Farms and ranches	
Parks and wildlife centers	

ACTIVITIES:

4-H Clubs	Little League and other community athletics
Science Clubs	Classes: museums, recreation departments
Community theaters	Concerts, Theater: some college and community productions are excellent and less costly
Campfire Girls, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.	

SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Government Agencies	Museums of all kinds
Chamber of Commerce	Parks & Recreation
Art associations	County Agricultural Agent
Audubon Society	Mentors: people with special skills or information that they might be willing to share
Parks and wildlife centers	

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Additional Field Trip Ideas

(list sent to Fern in 11/07, so check for current info)

Misc. Field Trips

Avila Farm

Solvang Apple Farm

Monterey Aquarium

Hearst Castle

UCSB Ropes Course

UCSB sample dorm room (San Raphael)

UCSB Marine Lab

UCSB Physics Lab

UCSB Chemistry Lab

UCSB Nanotechnology Lab

UCSB Ed outreach program, science labs are supposed to do great experiments. Idea is to go to lab and then bring \$ and go to UCEN for lunch.

Field Trips from Past SBCHI Newsletters

California Living History

Grades 3rd-8th

Blue Dolphin Days/Chumash Life

September 29th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Carpinteria Beach

The program will focus on the Chumash and Gabriel Indian cultures, incorporating elements from the book, Island of the Blue Dolphins. Program activities will include: plank canoe construction, crafting plant material into cordage, trying to make fire with fire drills, and a survival scavenger.

Walk Through California

October 20th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Calvary Chapel Santa Barbara

Children travel in a "time machine" to periods of history and observe events played by other students. Individual task cards enable students to participate as experts throughout the program.

Tour of Presidio

November 10th, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

El Presidio, Santa Barbara

An engaging tour of the Presidio presents the story of Santa Barbara's founding and life in the early days and how it differs from the way we live today.

Gold Rush Days

January 12th, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Location: TBD

Students will be taken back in time to a 1850's gold mining camp. Program highlights will include hands-on activities demonstrating a typical gold miner's Sunday, and include panning for gold.

The fee for these four events is \$64.00.

Wende Museum --

5741 Buckingham Parkway, Suite E

Culver City, CA. 90230

The Museum is open to the public on

the first and third Friday of the month
(excluding national holidays) 10am -5pm

Tour of vault at 3pm

Admission is free

For visits by groups of ten or larger please call to arrange an appointment

(310) 216-1600

The Museum offers a broad and comprehensive collection of over 100,000 objects and archival materials, including household consumer products, clothing, folk art, diaries and scrapbooks, political iconography, photograph albums, posters, films, textbooks, paintings, sports awards and certificates, and children's toys. These resources, which are often outside the scope of official archives and traditional museum collections, present a valuable window through which to view the everyday interactions and relationships that shaped life behind the Iron Curtain.

Santa Barbara Museum of Art --

1130 State Street , Santa Barbara, CA

During your visit to the Museum, you are invited to join a docent led gallery tour. Gallery tours are informative and eye opening. They provide an opportunity to experience and discuss a selection of artworks in a relaxed, informal setting. Gallery tours are free with Museum admission, and begin in the lobby at the State Street entrance. For a customized tour of the permanent collection or special exhibitions, please e-mail spurcell@sbma.net. Just a short walk from the Museum is its off site facility dedicated to hands-on art education for children and adults: The Ridley-Tree Education Center at McCormick House. At the Ridley-Tree Education Center, a variety of art classes and camps provide an atmosphere where creativity, studio art practices, and fun combine to create an enriching experience for people of all ages.

Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum --

705 South McClelland Street, Santa Maria, CA

The mission of the Discovery Museum is to foster family and youth inspired learning by creating experiences to explore ourselves, our valley, our world, and beyond. The museum's exhibit and program based 'please touch' atmosphere engenders the best in self discovery as children and adults wonder together, getting into the spirit of learning.

Stowe House - Goleta Valley Historical Society --

304 Los Carneros Road, Goleta, CA

STOW HOUSE is one of the oldest landmarks in the Goleta Valley. It was once the headquarters of Rancho La Patera. In 1871, William Whitney Stow, a legal counsel for Southern Pacific Railroad in San Francisco, purchased 1,043 acres costing \$28,677 for his son, Sherman P. Stow. Sherman Stow built a Gothic Revival home on the site and moved into the house with his bride, Ida G. Hollister, in 1873. The family expanded the house in two major renovations in the 1880s and 1910s. You can visit the house, see family photographs and furniture, and hear the stories of Sherman and Ida and their descendants.

Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History --

2559 Puesta del Sol Road, Santa Barbara, CA

Inspiring a passion for the Natural World. Access to objects and ideas that pertain to the natural history of the Santa Barbara Region are the focus of the exhibits program at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Most museum exhibits are object centered and provide a unique visitor experience that cannot be found elsewhere. They are the tangible expression of a museum's mission. Exhibits educate and entertain. They stimulate interest, heighten awareness and convey knowledge. Museum visitors learn from and experience exhibits on many levels, both intellectual and emotional. Exhibits communicate to all of the senses through a blend of media techniques.

Sunset Kidd's Sailing --

125 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara , CA

Sail the California Riviera where the mountains meet the sea aboard Santa Barbara's finest charter sailing yacht. Offering spectacular sunset and coastal sails.

Jack House and Gardens --

536 Marsh Street, San Luis Obispo, CA

The Jack House is a unique piece of California's elegant and colorful past which will transport you back in time more than a century. Within the Jack Family, you'll meet some of the most prominent players in the drama of Central California history. Active in ranching, politics, travel, banking and land development, they were also friends and associates to the likes of railroad magnates Charles Crocker and C.P. Huntington, acclaimed statesman and pianist, Ignace Paderewski, and humorist Will Rogers. The Jacks lived in this fine two story Victorian house for over 90 years and much of the family's original furnishings, artwork, kitchen utensils, dishes and keepsakes are now on display for visitors. The family's library collection, alone, houses over 2000 volumes including several great literary treasures, a number of first editions and many of the Harvard Classics. Guided tours of the Jack House interior and gardens are conducted by volunteer docents, specially trained in the history of the Jack Family and its turn-of-the-century estate. The Wash House Gift Shop is open for browsing and souvenir shopping during regular tour hours.

Santa Barbara Maritime Museum --

113 Harbor Way Ste 190 , Santa Barbara, CA

Located in the Santa Barbara Waterfront Center, the museum's structure was formerly known as the Old Naval Reserve Center, which was built by the Federal Government's Works Project Administration (WPA) program during the late 1930s through early 1940s. In 1942, the City of Santa Barbara sold the Naval Reserve Center for \$1 to the Federal Government to support the war effort. The facility was used as a U.S. Navy training facility from 1942 until 1995, when the U.S. Navy moved out of the building. It was sold back to the City of Santa Barbara and in 1999, construction began inside the building for the new Santa Barbara Maritime Museum. The Museum opened its doors to the public for its Preview Opening Celebration on July 29, 2000. Lecture information, and details relating to programs, events, theater showings, and facility rental guidelines are all available upon request by calling our administrative offices or by e-mail.

Santa Barbara Zoological Gardens --

500 Ninos Drive, Santa Barbara, CA

Some things you won't want to miss at the Santa Barbara Zoo: The Barnyard, home to domestic sheep, which you can feed with specially formulated pellets available for purchase at the Bryant & Sons Kids' Marketplace adjacent to the barnyard. Feed the beautiful lorries and lorikeets at Lorikeet Landing, next to the barnyard. These birds eat fruit and nectar in the wild, and you can feed them here at the Zoo! The youngest visitors will find the carousel a treat. A Dentzel original, the carousel features hand carved exotic animals. Get up close and personal with the tallest residents of the Zoo! Hand feed Baringo giraffes and have the experience of a lifetime. And don't miss a ride on the Zoo Train! Two C.P Huntington trains that circle the perimeter of the Zoo delight visitors of all ages.

Charles Paddock Zoo --

9305 Pismo Avenue, Atascadero, CA

The Zoo was established in 1955 by Charles Paddock, a county park ranger who nursed wild animals back to health. His reputation for rehabilitating animals soon spread throughout the area and Mr. Paddock's animal menagerie increased to over 125 wild birds and mammals by 1959. The zoo took on the official name of "The Charles Paddock Zoo" in 1980, in memory of its founder. Over the years, the Charles Paddock Zoo has grown and improved into a fully accredited zoo, exhibiting over 100 animals on 5 park like acres within beautiful Atascadero Lake Park.

Gull Wings Children's Museum --

418 W. Fourth St., Oxnard, CA

Gull Wings features over 15 hands-on exhibits or, we like to say, imagination stations. Gull Wings is the only

children's museum in Ventura County. Visit Gull Wings with you family or your school soon. You'll see for yourself that Gull Wings is the place where imaginations soar!

Santa Barbara Botanical Gardens --

1212 Mission Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Dedicated to research, education and conservation, and display of California native plants. The Santa Barbara Botanic Garden is a place of beauty and serenity, of education, research and conservation, of history and stewardship. We welcome you to visit and enjoy our exquisite exhibits of California native plants set in beautifully designed landscapes.

Hearst Castle --

750 Hearst Castle Road, San Simeon, CA

The house and gardens are so large there are four different tours offered. As if the 115 rooms in the main house weren't enough for newspaper publisher William Randolph Hearst, there are also three guesthouses and 127 acres of grounds.

Fillmore & Western Railway Co. --

250 Central Ave, Fillmore, CA

Many train excursions to choose from. Enjoy a ride on a vintage or antique train for a special occasion or holiday, or just for fun!

Historic Camarillo Ranch --

201 Camarillo Ranch Road, Camarillo, CA

Walk through the richly restored ranch home and experience the grandeur of residing in a 6,000 square foot house. The breathtaking Victorian exhibits two staircases, 12-foot ceilings, extensive interior woodwork, and a generous wrap around porch. The house was built in 1892 by 28-year-old Adolfo Camarillo for his wife Isabel and their young family. An imposing 17-room mansion, the home was well suited for a man who would serve as a Ventura County Supervisor, manage a 10,000-acre ranch, found a city, develop a breed of horses (the Camarillo White Horses), and one day be known as the "Last Spanish Don". Camarillo lived in the house until his death in 1958. It was then occupied by family members and for a brief period by Augustine monks until it was acquired by the City of Camarillo in 1998. Guests are also invited to stroll through the gardens, explore the massive root system of the towering Moreton Bay Fig Tree, and visit the gift shop.

Buena Vista Museum of Natural History --

2018 Chester Ave., Bakersfield, CA

This museum is full of sciences combining geology, anthropology, paleontology and more. Check out the Science Camps for Kids, School Field Trips, Traveling Programs and other Fun Projects on the web site for more details!

Bakersfield Museum of Art --

1930 R Street , Bakersfield, CA

The Bakersfield Museum of Art provides a broad spectrum of visual arts experiences through the exhibition and preservation of fine art, educational programs, community outreach, and special events.

Kern County Museum --

3801 Chester Avenue, Bakersfield, CA

The Kern County Museum was founded in 1941 and features 56 historic exhibits, many in relocated structures, an award winning hands-on oil exhibition Black Gold: The Oil Experience and the Lori Brock Children's Discovery Center for youth eight and under. The museum is consistently recognized for providing some of the most outstanding educational programs in the state of California, such as Native American Life, and Frontier Life. In addition, the museum hosts temporary exhibitions and special events in an effort to achieve its mission.

Dr. Willella Howe Waffle House --

120 Civic Center Drive, Santa Ana, CA

The Dr. Howe Waffle House was built in 1889 by Dr. Alvin Howe and his wife, Dr. Willella Howe. In 1975, the house was moved from its former site on Bush Street, two blocks from its present site, to save it from demolition. It has been restored by the Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society as a house and medical museum, and is open for tours and events. Built during the Victorian era in the Queen Anne style, the house features two-and-a-half stories and twelve rooms. It took two years to build and cost \$3000, a grand sum in 1889. It is one of the finest Queen Anne Victorians to survive in Orange County.

Graber Olives --

315 East 4th Street, Ontario,, CA

Founded in 1894, the historic Graber Olive House is located in a pleasant residential area north of Ontario's business district, just minutes from the Ontario International Airport. Here in quiet and serene surroundings, visitors are welcomed and delighted to discover a bit of early California! Tours are available throughout the year and in the Fall visitors may view the many activities which center around the long and careful tradition of grading, curing and canning Graber Olives.

The Air Museum - Planes of Fame --

7000 Merrill Ave., #17, Chino, CA

The Air Museum displays aircraft spanning the history of manned flight, from a replica of the Chanute Hang Glider of 1896, through modern space flight, and includes numerous milestone achieving test and research flight vehicles. The Air Museum is a "living history" museum, where the aircraft are not only preserved, but are kept flying. Through the generosity of the many people who donate funds or aircraft parts to the museum and the dozens of volunteers who donate their time to restore and maintain the aircraft, many of these rare warbirds are in flying condition. To share their collection with the public, the warbirds are flown regularly, participating in air shows, military base open houses, and are often used in the making of television programs and motion picture presentations.

California Museum of Photography --

3824 Main Street , CA 92501 U.S.A., Riverside, CA

The museum's explorations of photographic media through exhibition, collection, publication, and the web examine the history of photography and showcase current practice in photography and related media. To serve an audience that is multi cultural, young and old, general and specialized, the museum presents programs that recognize the variety and complexity of cultural experience and explore the relationship between traditional expression and contemporary practice. The museum is vitally concerned with the intersection of photography, new imaging media, and society.

Fiesta Village Family Fun Park --

1405 E. Washington, Colton, CA

Miniature golf courses, laser tag, raceway, carnival rides, batting cages and more!

Heritage House --

8193 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, CA

An elegant reminder of the affluent homes which once graced Magnolia Avenue, Heritage House began as a project of the Riverside Metropolitan Museum Associates, a volunteer support group of the Riverside Municipal Museum. Restored and maintained in a manner reflective of its nineteenth century construction, this grand house is now a meticulously researched example of historic tastes, values, and lifestyle.

California Citrus State Historic Park --

1879 Jackson Street, Riverside, CA

The park pays tribute to the citrus industry and features a grove of orange trees. The visitor center is in a

Victorian house. Inside the museum visitors can learn how oranges came to Riverside County in the late 1800's and early 1900's and sparked California's second "gold rush".

Richard Nixon Library & Birthplace --

18001 Yorba Linda Blvd., Yorba Linda, CA

The nine acre Library & Birthplace is a three dimensional walk through memoir featuring a 52,000 square foot museum, 22 high tech galleries, movie and interactive video theaters, the spectacular First Lady's Garden, the President's faithfully restored 1910's birthplace, and the flower ringed memorial sites of President and Mrs. Nixon.

San Bernardino County Museum --

2024 Orange Tree Ln., Redlands, CA

The San Bernardino County Museum, in Redlands, California, is a regional museum with exhibits and collections in cultural and natural history. Special exhibits, the Exploration Station live animal discovery center, extensive research collections, and public programs for adults, families, students, and children are all part of the museum experience.

Kimberly Crest House and Gardens --

1325 Prospect Dr., Redlands, CA

Kimberly Crest, a picturesque French chateau style home built in 1897, is a well preserved example of the Victorian Era in California. The 7,000 square foot, three story chateau sits on a six and one quarter acre estate two miles south of downtown Redlands, and was originally built by Mrs. Cornelia A. Hill, a widow from New York State. The home was purchased by J. Alfred Kimberly (a co-founder of the Kimberly-Clark Corporation) and Helen Cheney Kimberly in 1905. Their widowed daughter, Mary Kimberly Shirk, lived in the home from 1920 until her death in 1979. The house's unique features include a French revival parlor complete with gilt furniture and silk damask wall coverings. Terraced Italian gardens, orange groves and ponds surround this historic landmark home.

Children's Museum at La Habra --

301 South Euclid Street, La Habra, CA

Encouraging enthusiasm about learning in a hands-on environment that opens the world even to the youngest child. The Children's Museum at La Habra opened in December 1977 and is located in a historic 1923 Train Depot. It features 7 galleries and 14 different hands on exhibits, many of which remain unique to the field today. In addition to these exhibits, an outdoor dinosaur topiary and historic 1942 caboose, the Museum features an exhibit which changes 4 times a year. The Children's Museum at La Habra was the first children's museum to open west of the Rocky Mountains, and was one of only a few such museums to open on the West Coast during the 1970s. The Children's Museum welcomes local, national and international visitors. Children can ride a kid size carousel, take a walk in T-Rex's footprints, pet an Arctic fox, pump gas, drive a bus, dress up and perform, and dig for fossils all in one afternoon! The Children's Museum at La Habra shows how important play is to learning. Through play, children develop skills, express creativity, discover the larger world and learn to work with others. A 90 minute guided tour is a great way for elementary classes, preschools, day camps, Mommy and Me groups, church groups, and special needs groups to experience the Museum! Advance reservations are required for groups of 15 or more children, ages 3-years and older. Guided tour admission is a discounted \$5.00 per person. Tours are available Tuesday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance. All groups are provided with pre and post tour activities to get the most out of their fun and educational field trip. Walk in groups of 10 or more are asked to have a ratio of 1 adult for every 5 children. Group discount only applies to pre-scheduled guided tours. Please call (562) 905-9793 to schedule your tour.

Orange County Zoo --

1 Irvine Park Road , Orange, CA

The Zoo is nestled among the majestic 477 acre wilderness park. The Zoo's focus is on animals and plants

native to the southwestern United States. Animals on exhibit include black bears, mountain lions, bald eagle, island foxes, ocelot, red-tailed hawk, great horned owls, porcupine, coyotes, turkey vultures, coati and more. The zoo also features a barnyard with domestic goats, chevoit sheep, jacob sheep, pot-bellied pigs, doves and pheasants.

Fullerton Museum Center --

301 N. Pomona Ave., Fullerton, CA

The Fullerton Museum Center is dedicated to developing and presenting the best in multi-disciplinary exhibitions and educational programs in the areas of history, science, and art.

Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Garden --

1151 Oxford Road , San Marino, CA

The Huntington is a research and educational center set amidst 120 acres of breathtaking gardens. Three art galleries and a library showcase magnificent collections of paintings, sculptures, rare books, manuscripts, and decorative arts. The botanical collection features over 14,000 different species of plants.

La Brea Tar Pits --

5801 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90036

(323) 934-7243

Ever wonder how paleontologists study fossils? Get ready to explore and discover some of the most intriguing fossils excavated at Rancho La Brea, one of the most famous fossil sites in the world! See an osteoarthritis in a Harlan's ground sloth. Discover how mammoths grew their teeth. Get up close and personal with the ferocious teeth of a sabertoothed cat. School groups must have reservations at least three weeks in advance. Guided tours are available only for 3rd graders and above, and are offered on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, every half-hour between 9:30-11:00am, and until 10:30am on

Fridays. (No classes under 3rd grade will be scheduled during these guided time slots.) Self-guided visits are available for all age groups (Pre-K through 12) on Mondays and Tuesdays, and after 12 noon on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. www.tarpits.org

Jet Propulsion Laboratory --

4800 Oak Grove Drive, Pasadena, CA

Engaging students at all levels and in every segment of society to share the adventure of NASA's missions of discovery. Providing a hands-on learning environment and encouraging young people to pursue careers based on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Helping the general public better understand the process and benefits of space exploration.

Discovery Science Center --

2500 North Main Street, Santa Ana, CA

Explore more than 100 hands-on exhibits, participate in live science experiments and more! Be part of the fun! Visit Discovery Science Center today!

Pirate's Dinner Adventure --

7600 Beach Blvd., Buena Park, CA

If you are looking for an adventurous time while visiting Buena Park, California, then we should be your first stop! Pirate's Dinner Adventure is a dinner show attraction that puts you and your family right in the middle of all of the swashbuckling action. Just a few gangplanks away from Orange County's famous Caribbean pirates, a new breed of pirate has set sail in Southern California. Bringing local citizens and visitors a high seas adventure the likes of which hasn't been seen on the West Coast since Privateer Captain Hippolyte Bouchard set fire to Monterey, raided Santa Barbara and pillaged Mission San Juan Capistrano in 1818.

Kidspace Children's Museum --

390 South El Molino , Pasadena, CA

Explore, Investigate, Express! Kidspace Children's Museum exists to enrich the lives of children with programs and exhibits in the arts, sciences and humanities that promote investigation, exploration and expression for children ages 2 to 9.

Pacific Asia Museum --

46 North Los Robles Avenue , Pasadena, CA

Containing more than 14,000 rare and representative examples of art and artifacts from Asia and the Pacific islands, spanning a period of 3000 years.

Bowers Kidseum --

2002 N. Main St, Santa Ana, CA

Face painting, storytelling, preschool discoveries, summer art camps - and much more here at the Bowers Kidseum.

Bowers Museum of Cultural Art --

2002 N Main St , Santa Ana, CA

One of Southern California's finest museums and Orange County's largest, the Bowers Museum is one of the only museums in the United States devoted to promoting human understanding through art. Its state of the art special exhibition and collection storage facilities enable the Bowers to present world class exhibitions and preserve collections of cultural art for future generations. International partnerships have been developed with the Palace Museum, Beijing, the British Museum, and many others. Its location, close to four major freeways and four miles south of Disneyland, makes the Bowers an ideal destination for visitors to Southern California.

Knott's Berry Farm --

8039 Beach Blvd, Buena Park, CA

Just the place to go for family fun! More than 165 rides, shows, attractions, restaurants and shops in six themed areas. Since the park is centered around the pioneer and gold rush days you will have some great opportunities to make a full history lesson from your tour.

But don't overlook the history of Knott's Berry Farm itself from humble beginnings as a berry farm the place has really switched gears.

Independence Hall

Buena Park, CA.

Located across the street from Knott's Berry Farm this detailed replica has educational tours offered year round. But reservations are highly recommended.

Santa Ana Zoo --

1801 E. Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, CA

The Santa Ana Zoo at Prentice Park is committed to providing recreation and education while bringing the message of conservation to the Zoo's many visitors. It is a place to have fun, a place to learn, and a place that can be enjoyed by people of all ages every day of the year. Lots of Education offerings for teachers and students - see the web site for more details.

Alyce de Roulet Williamson Gallery --

1700 Lida Street ,, Pasadena, CA

The Williamson Gallery shows contemporary art and design, with an emphasis on experimental digital based work and projects at the intersection of art and science. Contemporary fine arts, sculpture garden, on going student exhibits.

Pasadena Museum of History --

470 W. Walnut Street , Pasadena, CA

The Museum's collections, exhibits and programs provide educational resources for the public to increase

understanding and appreciation of history, culture and science in Pasadena and neighboring communities.

Norton Simon Museum of Art --

411 W. Colorado Blvd , Pasadena, CA

The Norton Simon Museum of Art at Pasadena holds one of the world's finest and most prestigious collections of art. Reflecting the extraordinary effort and vision of its founder, it stands as a tribute to Human Civilizations, the visual arts, and the nobility of individual accomplishment. The permanent collections consist of Western and Asian art from a period spanning more than 2,000 years. European and American masterpieces including paintings, sculpture, works on paper and photography are complemented by stunning art works from India and Southeast Asia. The Museum holds an extensive print collection, which includes rare etchings by Rembrandt and Goya as well as a comprehensive collection of Picasso graphics. The collection also includes the Galka E. Scheyer Collection of works by the Blue Four artists: Feininger, Jawlensky, Kandinsky and Klee.

Downey Museum of Art --

10419 Rives Avenue , Downey, CA

For over 40 years, the Downey Museum of Art has provided the residents of Downey with exhibitions by California and national artists. It is the only art museum between Downtown Los Angeles and Long Beach. Its permanent collection includes hundreds of items donated and acquired over the years with a special emphasis on the artwork of Southern California. Many pieces from the museum's collection are from nationally recognized artists, including the largest collection of work by Los Angeles artist Boris Deutsch outside New York's Museum of Modern Art. Individuals, corporate donations and grants help fund the museum's operations. Schedule and events are subject to change. Call the Museum for the most current information.

Columbia Memorial Space Science Learning Center --

11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA

While planning for the learning center is still in early stages, following are some of the components that visitors to the learning center may find. A Challenger Learning Center, featuring an exciting simulated space mission. Students will work in teams at Mission Control and aboard a Space Station as they test their decision making skills, solve problems and communicate by alternative means during this innovative space theme science and math lesson. Teachers will use both pre- and post flight activities that integrate the experience into traditional classroom instruction. At the Space Science Discovery Zone, visitors will find a variety of interactive exhibits that help them explore subjects such as the principles of flight, living in space, the search for life beyond earth, and the origins of the universe. The Mars Robotics Lab will allow young visitors the opportunity to design and program their own robots in order to complete a remote exploration mission to the planet Mars. Aerospace Resource Center and Research Library: In conjunction with the Aerospace Legacy Foundation. We are currently cataloging hundreds of artifacts and records left in place at the former NASA site. These will become the core of a research archive which will specialize in the history of aviation and aerospace development at the Downey site. An oral history project is also planned to help capture a historical perspective based on personal experiences of those who worked at the site. Historical Displays will help to tell the story of the men and women who contributed to the spirit of invention and innovation that drove the development of the aviation and aerospace in Downey, Southern California, and beyond.

Opera Pacific --

600 W. Warner, Santa Ana, CA

Opera Pacific has established itself as one of the finest professional opera companies in the nation. Opera Pacific's main stage productions, extensive community outreach programs, and energetic Guild Alliance combine to create a cultural resource for all of Southern California. More than 670,000 people have enjoyed Opera Pacific's productions at the Orange County Performing Arts Center, while over 575,000 young people have discovered the world of opera through the company's in schooled presentations, Student Previews, and nationally recognized Opera Camps. For information on individual ticket sales or for subscription tickets , please call 714-546-6000 or toll free 800-34-OPERA (800-346-7372). Main Stage performances are held at the Orange County Performing Arts Center, located at 600 Town Center Dr, Costa Mesa, Ca. 92626.

Heritage Square Museum --

3800 Homer Street, Los Angeles, CA

A living history museum reflecting the settlement and development of Southern California from the Civil War to the early 20th Century, Heritage Square Museum offers visitors a look into the everyday lives of Southern Californians at the close of the 19th Century. From the simplicity of the Octagon House to the opulence of the Perry Mansion, the Museum provides a unique look at the lifestyles of the people who contributed so much to the development of modern Los Angeles and Southern California.

Southwest Museum of the American Indian --

234 Museum Dr , Los Angeles, CA

The galleries are closed due to extensive rehabilitation of the building and conservation of its rare collection of Native American artifacts, with the goal of moving most of the collection to a new state of the art home by 2009. Plans call for the infrastructure improvements to the Southwest Museum to be completed by 2010, when the building will be open for a new cultural use, fulfilling founder Charles Lummis' vision and belief that all indigenous peoples be understood.

Irvine Museum --

18881 Von Karman Ave Ste 100 , Irvine, CA

The Irvine Museum is dedicated to the preservation and display of California art of the Impressionist Period (1890 - 1930). The Irvine Museum embraces a principal role in the education and furtherance of this beautiful and important regional variant of American Impressionism that has come to be associated with California and its remarkable landscape.

Edward-Dean Museum & Gardens --

9401 Oak Glen Rd., Cherry Valley, CA

The museum hosts three special exhibits a year and a variety of events. The Edward-Dean Museum & Gardens opened in 1958 and was founded by Edward Eberle and Dean Stout. The museum features late 16th to early 19th century European & Asian Decorative Arts. Dean Stout designed the interior spaces of the museum to create a home like atmosphere with the intent to share with the visitor a first hand experience of the ambiance of the time period. The museum and its 16-acre campus originally came under the County in 1964. Make the museum your own personal museum by taking a guided group tour. The friendly staff and docents at the Edward-Dean Museum will guide you in and out of the museum showing you the many cultural treasures hidden in the picturesque setting of Cherry Valley. Guided tours are by appointment only and are \$5 per person and non-guided walk-through tours are \$3. The friendly staff and docents also provide school tours. We invite teachers and students to discover the Edward-Dean Museum. Visiting students will enrich their knowledge of natural science, mathematics, and cultural diversity. School tours are by appointment only and are FREE. The Edward-Dean Museum has several programs for children which may interest you. These tours and presentations also cater to many grade levels and may be given on our grounds or at your school.

The Center for Water Education --

2325 Searl Parkway, Hemet, CA

The Center for Water Education is located in Hemet, California and is part of an 18-acre campus currently under construction. When completed, it will also include the Western Center for Archaeology & Paleontology. The Center is funded in part by \$16 million in grants from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The Center for Water Education weaves the story of water from its importance to Southern California to its impact worldwide, past, present and future. The Center will include 23,000 square feet of exhibit space, meeting rooms and administrative offices.

Latino Museum of History, Art and Culture --

112 S. Main St, Los Angeles , CA

The Latino Museum of History, Art and Culture is the first museum in the United States dedicated to presenting

the contributions of Latino culture. It sponsors several exhibitions each year and actively acquires artwork and publications related to its mission. Recent acquisitions include six drawings produced by Chicana artist Judithe Hernandez between 1974 and 1982, two prints by Mexican artist Felipe Ehrenberg, and a painting by Paul Sierra. The museum's archival collection is designed to constitute a tremendous resource for Latino history as recorded in print and to document Latino views on politics, social issues, and other topics of interest. At present, the archival holdings primarily consist of Latino magazines published in the greater Los Angeles area and across the United States. Many of these publications date back to the 1970s, with some dating to the 1930s.

Japanese American National Museum --

369 East First Street, Los Angeles, CA

Since its inception in 1985, the Japanese American National Museum has chronicled more than 130 years of Japanese American history—from the first Issei generation through the World War II incarceration to the present day. In 1999, the National Museum established the Manabi and Sumi Hirasaki National Resource Center (HNRC) to ensure that the story of Japanese Americans remains accessible to everyone.

Grier Musser Museum --

403 South Bonnie Brae Street, Los Angeles, CA

The Grier Musser Museum is a turn of the century historic Queen Anne house which displays fascinating antique collections in monthly holiday exhibits throughout the year. Visiting the Grier Musser Museum is educational, as well as, entertaining. As a visitor, you will be greeted at the door and shown the architectural features of the house, such as, the intricate woodwork. The museum is located near downtown Los Angeles and close to the new Red Line Subway Station. There are many historical sites in area around the museum, such as, Olvera Street, Union Station, Angelino Heights, and West Adam's Historical Homes. Other places of interest near the museum are Chinatown, Little Tokyo, IMAX theater, the Bradbury building, the newly restored Central Library, L.A. Convention Center, Angel's Flight, Queen of the Angel's Cathedral, New Disney Hall, and the Japanese American Museum.

Autry National Center --

4700 Western Heritage Way, Los Angeles, CA

The Autry National Center explores the experiences and perceptions of the diverse peoples of the American West, connecting the past with the present to inform our shared future. The Autry National Center celebrates the American West through three important institutions: the Museum of the American West, the Southwest Museum of the American Indian, and the Institute for the Study of the American West. The Autry was established in 2003 following the merger of the Southwest Museum, the Women of the West Museum, and the Museum of the American West (formerly the Autry Museum of Western Heritage). Through innovative exhibitions, a broad range of programs and extensive collection of art and artifacts, the Autry National Center explores the distinct stories and interactions of cultures and peoples, and their impact on the complex, evolving history of the American West.

The Orange County Museum of Art --

850 San Clemente Drive, Newport Beach, CA

The Orange County Museum of Art champions and interprets the art and culture of our time for a diverse and changing community. The museum is guided by the conviction that exhibitions and programs should link historical and contemporary art, bridge local and global cultures, and inspire the sense of inquiry, creativity, and imagination within all people.

Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens --

5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles, CA

The Los Angeles Zoo is located in the heart of the nation's second largest city. Each year 1.4 million visitors pass through the gates to view a collection of 1,200 animals from around the world. The Zoo is also an accredited Botanical Gardens featuring lush vegetation and thousands of plants throughout the grounds. Special

exhibits include the new Sea Lion Cliffs, a saltwater habitat for sea lions featuring filtered, underwater viewing of these animals. Explore a dark cave, discover a desert, and make contact with barn yard animals at the Winnick Family Children's Zoo. Swing into the Red Ape Rain Forest, a multi-level tropical habitat for the zoo's group of orangutans. For more primate fun, check out Chimpanzees of Mahale Mountains, home to one of the largest troops of chimpanzees in the United States. Dragons of Komodo, features the largest lizard in the world, the Komodo dragon. Animal collection highlights include koala, okapi, tiger, giraffe, lion, hippopotamus, lemur, rhinoceros, a walk through aviary, a reptile house, and much more.

Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden --

1250 Bellflower Blvd, Long Beach, CA

A place for learning, cultural exchange and contemplation for all! Each year over 5,000 school children enjoy field trips to the garden or participate in special programs arranged by the garden's Education Department. In addition, through the support of the Friends of the Japanese Garden the garden offers a calendar of public education events. In 2000 an Educational Outreach Committee was formed to support the educational experience at the Japanese Garden and the utilization of the garden's aesthetic and cultural resources. Committee members include CSULB faculty and teachers from the Long Beach Unified School District. You are invited to explore the educational opportunities at the Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden!

California Science Center --

700 State Drive, Los Angeles, CA

The California Science Center offers fun and informative permanent exhibits presented in interactive worlds. Through hands-on experiences in the galleries, you'll learn about human inventions and innovations, the life processes of living things and more. The Science Center also features fantastic special exhibits that change all the time, so visit often to find out what's new! If you are with children under 7, stop by the Discovery Rooms in Creative World, World of Life and the Air and Space Gallery for some hands-on learning.

Rancho Los Cerritos --

4600 Virginia Rd., Long Beach, CA

Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site is a public museum open for tours, programs and events. Built in 1844, the adobe home and grounds echo with the rich history of Spanish, Mexican and American California and with the families who helped transform Southern California from its ranching beginnings to a modern, urban society. The two story Monterey style adobe is primarily furnished to reflect occupants and lifestyles from the 1860s-1880s. The site, a National, State and Long Beach Historic Landmark, also includes historic gardens and a research library and archives. It is owned by the City of Long Beach and operated through the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine.

Dominguez Rancho Adobe Museum --

18127 Alameda Street, Rancho Dominguez, CA

The Rancho San Pedro is the site of the First Spanish land grant in California. The land was granted in 1784 by King Carlos III to Juan Jose Dominguez, a retired Spanish soldier who came to California with the Portola expedition and later with Father Junipero Serra. The original land grant encompassed 75,000 acres, including the entire Los Angeles harbor. The land has passed through successive generations and remains in the Dominguez family.

Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County --

900 Exposition Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA

Visit one of the world's most extensive and valuable collections of natural and cultural history. As the largest natural and historical museum in the Western United States and an active research center, NHM safeguards more than 33 million spectacular, diverse specimens and artifacts covering 4.5 billion years of history.

California African American Museum --

600 State Dr (Cross Street: Exposition Boulevard) , Los Angeles, CA

Many permanent exhibits, exciting current exhibits, public programs and events, and educational classes and workshops to choose from! During weekends at the museum, CAAM encourages children and their families or individuals to participate in workshops and family festivals that expose them to a variety of artistic media, creative activities and lively, engaging entertainment. Check out the art and design classes. Throughout the year, young people and adults can enjoy a variety of workshops: graphics, photo journalism, studio classes, creative writing, architectural structure and design, interior design, fashion design, African dance, storytelling, video workshops, voice, and African American arts and crafts.

Newport Bay Harbor Cruise --

600 Edgewater Place, Balboa, CA

45 and 90 minute narrated harbor cruises of Newport Bay, with frequent departures, seven days a week, from the same location since 1948. Our vessels depart on the hour from the cruise docks adjacent to the Newport Beach Nautical Museum in The Balboa Fun Zone, Newport Beach Ca. The most popular harbor cruise is the Sea Lion Tour. You will cruise out to the harbor entrance to spot SEA LIONS in their natural environment. Or take a narrated bay tour of "homes of the rich and famous." featuring Newport Bays' majestic, multi million dollar homes and their celebrity owners. 90 minute tours view the whole harbor, combing both tours. All of the sights and sounds, including, seven islands of the bay, will be pointed out by our experienced Captain and Crew. Fun Zone Boat Company was the first, and still the most experienced harbor cruise and charter boat company providing live narrated tours of Newport Bay. They continue to provide daily tours on Newport Bay as well as historical, sightseeing and charter tours of the bay for individuals and groups. Children of all ages especially enjoy our California Sea Lion tours that leave the docks on the odd hours (11,1,3 & 5)

Kodak Theatre --

6801 Hollywood Blvd, Hollywood, CA

Experience all of the renowned elegance and celebrity glamor that the Home of the Academy Awards® has to offer! See an Oscar® statuette, Find where your favorite celebrities sat during this year's ceremony, Visit the George Eastman VIP Room and other exclusive celebrity hot spots and View images from previous Academy Awards® ceremonies! Inspired by the elegance of a European opera house, with state of the art technical capabilities, Kodak Theatre has been host to many of the world's top performers including Celine Dion, Prince, Barry Manilow, Alicia Keys and the Dixie Chicks. Kodak Theatre is also the home of The ESPY Awards, The BET Awards, the American Idol finals and many other events.

Hollyhock House --

4800 Hollywood Blvd. , Los Angeles, CA

One of Frank Lloyd Wright's masterpieces. The interior of Frank Lloyd Wright's Hollyhock House is open for tours after a five year closure for a multi-million dollar renovation.

NBC Studio Tours --

3000 W. Alameda Ave., Burbank, CA

NBC Studios in Burbank is the only network TV studio which offers a guided tour - a 70-minute, indoor walking tour, offering a down to earth view of a working television studio.

Long Beach Museum of Art --

2300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA

The Long Beach Museum of Art is located on a magnificent bluff top site overlooking Long Beach Harbor and the Pacific Ocean. The campus includes the historic Elizabeth Milbank Anderson house and carriage house (built in 1912), oceanfront gardens, and a new pavilion with two floors of expansive gallery space for changing exhibitions. The historic buildings are home to administrative offices, the Museum Store and Café. In addition to changing exhibitions, the Museum offers extensive educational programs for children and adults, musical programs, festivals, and other special events.

Warner Bros. Studios --

3400 Riverside Drive, Burbank, CA

Warner Bros. Studios, one of the finest motion picture and television production facilities in the world, is the site on which hundreds of unforgettable films and television shows have been created, filmed and taped. The 100-acre facility is among the oldest of such sites to be continuously occupied by the same company, and has continually been updated, becoming a working tribute to the world class standards of creativity and technology pioneered by Warner Bros.

LA City Tours --

6806 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, CA

Join Los Angeles' most experienced and acclaimed tour guides as you are taken on a sweeping, thrill packed 5 and 1/2 hour tour of the Entertainment Capital of the World! Sample the rich history, diverse culture, sun drenched beaches and pulsating movie tempos of Los Angeles. With a "movie star on every corner," and surprises galore awaiting you, LACityTours.com has packaged the most popular and requested sites throughout the vast experience known as the City of Angels. Have your picture taken in front of the World Famous Hollywood sign overlooking Mulholland Drive.

Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens --

- 5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90027
- 323-644-4200

Our Zoo is a place for people of all ages to have fun while learning about animals, plants, and conservation. Discover the natural world and the role we all play - come explore with us!

Craft and Folk Art Museum --

5814 Wilshire Blvd , Los Angeles, CA

The Craft and Folk Art Museum champions cultural understanding by encouraging curiosity of our world through the presentation of folk art and contemporary craft. Exhibits and programs serve as a catalyst for the exploration of new art and ideas that reflect our world. Experience the fascination of ever changing exhibitions that range from the historical to contemporary, traditional to eclectic in an intimate setting. Whether learning about ancient global harvest rituals, or unraveling the mystery of Haitian Vodou, a visit to CAFAM is always an enlightening experience.

Los Angeles County Museum of Art --

5905 Wilshire Blvd , Los Angeles, CA

Art Exhibitions, Music, Art, Film Classes for All Volunteer docents provide tours of the permanent collections and current exhibitions. Public tours are offered every afternoon the museum is open. The monthly schedule of public tours can be found in the calendar on the web site.

Aquarium of the Pacific --

100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach, CA

Experience the world's largest and most diverse body of water at the Aquarium of the Pacific, the fifth largest aquarium in the United States. Its more than 500 species fill 19 major habitats and 32 focus exhibits and take visitors on a journey throughout the Pacific Ocean's three regions: Southern California/Baja, the Tropical Pacific, and the Northern Pacific. The Aquarium of the Pacific offers a variety of marine theme hands-on education programs for people of all ages, including Friday night family sleep overs and kayaking programs.

O'Neill Museum - The San Juan Capistrano Historical Society --

31831 Los Rios Street IHCL, San Juan Capistrano, CA

The O'Neill Museum is housed in the historic home of the Garcia/Pryor family. The house is recognized as one of the first frame houses in San Juan Capistrano. It is the home of the San Juan Capistrano historical society, a group of community residents dedicated to preserving the history and heritage of the area.

Wildlife Waystation --

14831 Little Tujunga Canyon Road, Angeles National Forest, CA

The Wildlife WayStation is a nonprofit corporation that operates a unique animal sanctuary located on 160 acres just north of the San Fernando Valley in the Angeles National Forest, California. Founded in 1976, the WayStation is committed to a two fold mission: To rescue, rehabilitate, relocate, and provide sanctuary to wild and exotic animals from around the world, as well as native wildlife, and to educate the public about the global plight of wildlife, especially near cities.

Zimmer Children's Museum --

6505 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 100, Los Angeles, CA

The Zimmer is an interactive space for learning, play, imagination, and exploration. Each exhibit has a different learning opportunity and provides for hours of fun. You and your child can splash at the water table, cook up a storm in the Blue Bagel Café, snuggle up for a story in Bubbie's Book Store, and sing a song on the Mann Theater stage. Your child will also be challenged to fly around the world in the Zimmer Jet, create beats from around the world at Music Island, and share their thoughts with the Newsroom's Big Questions. The journeys you can take at the Zimmer Children's Museum are endless.

Banning Residence Museum --

401 East M Street, Wilmington, CA

This restored 18 room Greek Revival mansion was the home of Wilmington's founder, Gen. Phineas Banning.

Museum Of Tolerance --

9786 W Pico Blvd , Los Angeles, CA

This is no ordinary museum! The Museum of Tolerance provides a unique and provocative experience that challenges visitors to become witnesses to history, confront the dynamic of intolerance that is still embedded in society today. Through powerful interactive exhibits, arts and lectures, special events and customized educational programs for youths and adults, the Museum engages visitors' hearts and minds in a journey of discovery to inspire change.

The Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History --

1116 Phillips Street, Augusta, GA

This small house museum was once the home of famed black educator Lucy Craft Laney, who founded the first black kindergarten in Augusta, as well as the first black nursing school and the Haines Normal Industrial Institute. It is the only black history museum in the Central Savannah River Area. Exhibits include the Ebony Legacy Exhibition, a collection of photographs and documents highlighting the contributions made by African Americans with an Augusta connection.

Winchester Cheese Company --

32605 Holland Road, Winchester, CA

You and your children will enjoy your visit to The Winchester Cheese Company and Dairy. Tour the Dairy Farm and watch cheese being made!

Children's Museum of Los Angeles --

14410 Sylvan St., 7th Floor, Van Nuys, CA

Hansen Dam location is coming soon! Watch the web site for details on opening hours and admission. In the meantime check out the many other activities available through the web site. When open, the CMLA will be providing children and youth with a fun, interactive, safe and imaginative space where they can explore thoughts, produce creations and communicate ideas beyond the realm of their everyday experiences. Immerse yourselves in an experience where pride in community and appreciation of others, the environment, and "modes" of communication are the most predominant themes. CMLA provides programs and exhibits that transcend age and experience and empower its young visitors with the ability to set their own pace as they explore and learn.

Dana Wharf Sportsfishing --

34675 Golden Lantern, Dana Point, CA

Take an Ocean Adventure Cruise! This cruise looks for various marine life including whales, dolphins and sea lions. Every trip is a new experience, great idea for a party. Get more information on the web site about this and other tour offerings. See the web site for many other offerings, such as a Kid's Club, 4th of July Fireworks Cruise, Evening Coastal Cruises and more.

Franklin D. Murphy Sculpture Garden --

10899 Wilshire Boulevard , Los Angeles, CA

One of the most distinguished outdoor sculpture collections in the country, the Franklin D. Murphy Sculpture Garden spans more than five acres in UCLA's North Campus. The Sculpture Garden features over seventy sculptures by artists such as Jean Arp, Alexander Calder, Claire Falkenstein, Barbara Hepworth, Gaston Lachaise, Jacques Lipchitz, Henri Matisse, Henry Moore, Isamu Noguchi, Auguste Rodin, David Smith and Francisco Zuñiga.

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium --

3720 Stephen M. White Drive, San Pedro, CA

Discover the underwater world of Southern California...Public classes, marine laboratory workshops, field trips, and voyages for all ages. Programs for schools and groups including guided and unguided Aquarium tours, Sea Search marine biology workshops, Ocean Outreach, Aquatic Nursery, Exploration Center and Whale watch Trips. A pre visit guide for tour groups visiting the aquarium and coastal areas is available. It's also helpful for classroom and field trip studies.

California Heritage Museum --

2612 Main St., Santa Monica, CA

In addition to the permanent collection of California furniture and pottery, the Museum features special exhibits highlighting various aspects and periods of decorative and fine arts in California.

Imagination Workshop, The Temecula Children's Museum --

42081 Main Street, Temucula, CA

Children of all ages are welcome in the home workshop of Professor Phineas T. Pennypickle, Ph.D., scientist, time traveler, and inventor of wacky and wonderful contraptions that amaze, delight and educate! Your whole family will enjoy exploring the Professor's latest inventions, secret passageways, puzzles, machines, and whimsical gadgets & gizmos found in this innovative, award winning facility.

Hart Ranch and Museum --

24151 San Fernando Road, Newhall, CA

Tour the former home and ranch of William S. Hart, silent film cowboy star and director. The Museum sits atop a hill within a large park area. The Spanish colonial Revival style mansion contains original furnishings, an impressive collection of western art, mementos of early Hollywood and Native American artifacts. In addition, there is a furnished 1910 ranch house which is open for unguided tours.

US Borax Inc. --

Borax Road, Boron, CA

Discover Hidden Treasure - Buried deep in the Mojave Desert is one of the biggest and richest deposits of borax on the planet. You will also find the Borax Visitor Center, one of the best kept secrets of the Southern California desert.

Leonis Adobe Museum --

23537 Calabasas Road, Calabasas, CA

L.A. Historic Cultural Monument # 1. Built in the Monterey style in the 1840's, it was occupied by Miguel Leonis as early as the 1870's, one of the most colorful, influential and prominent figures of early Los Angeles. Also on the grounds is an barn built in 1912 as well as the Plummer House known as the "oldest house in Hollywood".

Feline Conservation Center --

3718 60th Street West, Rosamond , CA

Cat lovers of all ages who discover this desert zoo/wildlife museum north of Los Angeles are surprised and amazed at the variety of wild cat species found here. Dedicated to the protection and preservation of the world's endangered felines. Recorded directions and information at (661) 256-3332.

Palm Springs Air Museum --

745 North Gene Autry Trail , Palm Springs, CA

The Palm Springs Air Museum, is a non-profit educational institution, whose mission is to exhibit, educate and eternalize the role of the World War II combat aircraft and the role the pilots and American citizens had in achieving this great victory. In addition to flying aircraft, related artifacts, artwork, and library sources are used to perpetuate American history.

Palm Springs Art Museum --

101 Museum Drive , Palm Springs, CA

Check out the web site for current and upcoming exhibitions, art classes and programs, lectures and symposia and information on group and school tours.

California Surf Museum --

223 N Coast Hwy, Oceanside, CA

Each year the California Surf Museum presents a unique standing display of surfing equipment and photographs. The exhibit may highlight a high profile pioneering legend, a spectacular surf spot, surfboard styles and/or shapers, a special time in surfing history, or one of many cultural spin-offs this exciting lifestyle has fostered. The museum also has a small gift shop that retails surfing related merchandise. 20,000 people visit the museum annually.

Historic Adamson House --

23200 Pacific Coast Hwy, Malibu, CA

This 1920s residence features Moorish, Spanish, and Colonial influences with colorful tile, and handcrafted wood and iron work. The house and grounds share one of the most beautiful beach locations in Southern California where one can view the Malibu Lagoon, Malibu Beach and the Malibu Pier. In addition to its world famous Malibu Tile, the house contains hand carved teakwood doors, hand painted murals, molded ceilings, hand wrought filigree ironwork and lead- framed bottle glass windows.

The Discovery Center for Science and Technology --

5655 Lindero Canyon Road, Suite 422, Westlake Village, CA

Even though it hasn't been built yet, there is a lot happening at the Discovery Center for Science and Technology. Since 1996, The Museum Without Walls has fulfilled the educational mission of the Discovery Center. Until the building opens, the Center will come to you! The Museum Without Walls offers innovative educational opportunities at schools and at other venues. Current outreach programs include: Family Science Night, RAYS, Science Theatre, STARLAB, and the teen program. These programs seek to inspire interest in science and technology for students of all ages.

Bates Nut Farm --

15954 Woods Valley Road, Valley Center, CA

Experience a hands-on educational zoo based on the Bates family history and role in the agricultural

community. Valley Center's oldest working farm provides groups of 15 or more a memorable experience. Learn about a variety of nuts. Acquire a knowledge of nut histories, how they are grown, harvested and their nutritional values. Smell the wonderful aroma of freshly roasted nuts as you tour through the roasting and packaging rooms. Enjoy a hay ride around the farm and a little snack. Feed the goats, chicken, sheep and geese in the farm zoo. Have a picnic on the farm. Then shop at the Bates store filled with a variety of nuts, dried fruits and our new old fashioned candy counter filled with truffles, chocolate and fudge! During October there are even more field trip options to explore with hayrack rides and a straw maze!

LEGOLAND California --

One LEGOLAND California, Carlsbad, CA

At LEGOLAND California everyone in the family becomes a hero. There are more than 50 rides, shows and attractions. Be Pirates and sail a galleon in the new Splash Battle. Or brave Knights for the Knights Tournament. Or Firefighters to put out fires at Fun Town Fire Academy. Be a Hero! Check out the web site for discount admission for groups, education, youth and home school for big savings and still enjoy all the fun!

Museum of Making Music --

5790 Armada Dr Carlsbad, CA 92008, Carlsbad, CA

The museum curates public exhibits that relate to the history of American popular music, the manufacture and retail of musical instruments and the history of the music products industry from 1890s to the present day. The museum's galleries consist of more than 450 vintage instruments and artifacts on display, hundreds of audio samples of popular music and an area for visitors to interact with a variety of live, hands-on instruments. The museum also organizes public events, performances and lectures whose purpose is to entertain, educate and inform audiences of the benefits and heritage of making music.

Children's Discovery Museum of the Desert --

71-701 Gerald Ford Drive, Rancho Mirage, CA

The CDMOD motto is "It's Not Just Play, It's Serious Fun!" A child's motivation to learn depends on meaningful activities and a supportive environment where imagination and curiosity are encouraged. This is a great opportunity to discover the emerging personalities of children. By visiting the Museum and participating in its programs or special interest activities you will be provided with an opportunity to better understand your child's interests and discover new ways to encourage their natural curiosity through activities at home and school.

Living Desert --

47900 Portola Avenue, Palm Desert, CA

This 1,200 acre facility specializes in plants and animals found throughout the deserts of the world. Many exotic and endangered species can be seen in natural surroundings such as bighorn sheep, oryx, wolves, striped hyenas, thick-billed parrots, leopards and golden eagles. The ten ecosystems of the North American deserts are represented in the immersion gardens. A state of the art wildlife hospital allows visitors to interact with the staff while procedures are being performed on animals. A desert children's play park, live animal shows, Discovery Room and many other features can be found in this unique zoo which sits in the middle of the Coachella Valley, just 15 miles east of Palm Springs.

Escondido Children's Museum --

380 N Escondido Blvd, Escondido, CA

Inspiring children to learn about our world through exploration, imagination, and experimentation.

Mingei International Museum - North County --

155 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, CA

Mingei is a special word increasingly used throughout the world for "arts of the people." It was coined by the revered scholar, the late Dr. Soetsu Yanagi, through combining the Japanese words for all people (min) and art (gei). His keen eye observed that many useful, pre-industrial articles made by unknown craftsmen were of a

beauty seldom equaled by artists of modern societies. From questioning why this might be, he gained insight as to the nature of beauty embodied in objects that are integrally related to life and born of a state of mind not attached to a conscious idea of beauty or ugliness. Within these timeless arts of the people (mingei), he recognized a quality of expression in which there was no fragmentation of body, mind and spirit. He realized that to balance the weight of increasing technology there was a growing urgency for man to continue to make and use objects that express his whole being. To communicate this profound insight, Dr. Yanagi and the renowned potters, Shoji Hamada and Kanjiro Kawai, founded the Mingei Association of Japan and in Tokyo the first Folk Crafts Museum.

Fillmore & Western Railway Co. --

250 Central Ave, Fillmore, CA

Many train excursions to choose from. Enjoy a ride on a vintage or antique train for a special occasion or holiday, or just for fun!

California Center for the Arts, Museum --

340 North Escondido Boulevard , Escondido, CA

The California Center for the Arts, Escondido is situated on a 12-acre campus in downtown Escondido adjacent to Escondido City Hall and Grape Day Park. The campus is comprised of a 1,523-seat Concert Hall, a 406-seat Center Theater, a visual arts Museum, art and dance studios, and a Conference Center containing meeting and banquet facilities. Ground breaking occurred on June 22, 1991. Since its opening on October 1, 1994, The Center has attracted more than one million visitors through its performing and visual arts presentations, events in the Conference Center, and education programs. The Museum has three main galleries and an outdoor sculpture court totaling approximately 10,000 square feet as well as secure collections storage and receiving areas, administrative offices, a Museum Store, and four studio classrooms.

Historic Camarillo Ranch --

201 Camarillo Ranch Road, Camarillo, CA

Walk through the richly restored ranch home and experience the grandeur of residing in a 6,000 square foot house. The breathtaking Victorian exhibits two staircases, 12-foot ceilings, extensive interior woodwork, and a generous wrap around porch. The house was built in 1892 by 28-year-old Adolfo Camarillo for his wife Isabel and their young family. An imposing 17-room mansion, the home was well suited for a man who would serve as a Ventura County Supervisor, manage a 10,000-acre ranch, found a city, develop a breed of horses (the Camarillo White Horses), and one day be known as the "Last Spanish Don". Camarillo lived in the house until his death in 1958. It was then occupied by family members and for a brief period by Augustine monks until it was acquired by the City of Camarillo in 1998. Guests are also invited to stroll through the gardens, explore the massive root system of the towering Moreton Bay Fig Tree, and visit the gift shop.

San Diego Wild Animal Park --

15500 San Pasqual Valley Road, Escondido, CA

See herds of animals roaming the plains, get up close with animal shows and encounters, watch a cheetah race by, see eye to eye with the gorillas. Innovative wild animal habitats give you an adventure you'll remember for a lifetime.

Birch Aquarium at Scripps --

2300 Expedition Way, La Jolla, CA

Enter the world of sharks, seahorses, living coral reefs and more, and discover a stunning variety of Pacific marine life in more than 60 habitats. Interact with exhibits that showcase the cutting edge discoveries of Scripps Oceanography explorers through hands-on displays and multimedia. Peek into the aquarium's nursery and view miniature fishes bred and raised by Birch Aquarium aquarists--a conservation effort that helps reduce collecting pressure on wild species.

Gull Wings Children's Museum --

418 W. Fourth St., Oxnard, CA

Gull Wings features over 15 hands-on exhibits or, we like to say, imagination stations. Gull Wings is the only children's museum in Ventura County. Visit Gull Wings with you family or your school soon. You'll see for yourself that Gull Wings is the place where imaginations soar!

Old Town San Diego State Historic Park --

San Diego Avenue at Twiggs Street, San Diego, CA

Old Town San Diego State Historic Park recreates life in the Mexican and early American periods of 1821 to 1872. Five original adobes are part of the complex, which includes shops, restaurants and a museum. La Casa de Estudillo is a mansion built around a garden courtyard. La Casa de Machado y Stewart is full of artifacts that reflect ordinary life of the period. Other historic buildings include a schoolhouse, a blacksmith shop, San Diego's first newspaper office, and a stable with a carriage collection.

Whaley House --

2482 San Diego Ave., San Diego, CA

Built in 1856, this two story brick home has served as a residence, store, courthouse, and theater. It contains period furnishings. The Whaley House Complex consists of several buildings including the Whaley House Museum, a not to be missed experience that will be enjoyed by persons of all ages. Also check out the historic Verna House, which houses the SOHO Museum Shop. This 1870s French Mansard was moved to its current location, right next to the Whaley House, to save it from demolition in 1965. The Museum Shop features Whaley House souvenirs and t-shirts, an eclectic assortment of gifts and greeting cards that will appeal to everyone, and a large selection of books on San Diego History, architecture, children's books, art, and L. Frank Baum's famous Oz books. Two historic 1870s false front buildings of which there are only one or two others in San Diego, moved from downtown San Diego to the Whaley House Complex in the 1960s to save them from demolition. The two at the Whaley House Complex currently house the New Orleans Creole Café. The Café offers indoor and outdoor patio dining. The replica nineteenth-century rustic gazebo seating area is the perfect place to relax after a hearty meal or a walk through Old Town State Park. There is also the historic Derby-Pendleton House. Although this 1852 wood frame and adobe structure houses SOHO's offices and is not open to the public, it provides a classic backdrop to the Whaley House grounds.

SeaWorld San Diego --

500 SeaWorld Drive, San Diego, CA

See the web site for many educational programs.

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J. Paul Getty Museum - Villa Malibu --

17985 Pacific Coast Highway, Pacific Palisades, CA

Greek, Roman, and Etruscan antiquities arranged by themes including Gods and Goddesses, Dionysos and the Theater, and Stories of the Trojan War, as well as Roman inspired architecture and gardens. An introductory film describes the history, collections, and setting of the Getty Villa.

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Leonis Adobe Museum --

23537 Calabasas Road, Calabasas, CA

L.A. Historic Cultural Monument # 1. Built in the Monterey style in the 1840's, it was occupied by Miguel Leonis as early as the 1870's, one of the most colorful, influential and prominent figures of early Los Angeles. Also on the grounds is an barn built in 1912 as well as the Plummer House known as the "oldest house in Hollywood". They also offer special group rates for school groups

Jack House and Gardens --

536 Marsh Street, San Luis Obispo, CA

The Jack House is a unique piece of California's elegant and colorful past which will transport you back in time more than a century. Within the Jack Family, you'll meet some of the most prominent players in the drama of Central California history. Active in ranching, politics, travel, banking and land development, they were also friends and associates to the likes of railroad magnates Charles Crocker and C.P. Huntington, acclaimed statesman and pianist, Ignace Paderewski, and humorist Will Rogers. The Jacks lived in this fine two story Victorian house for over 90 years and much of the family's original furnishings, artwork, kitchen utensils, dishes and keepsakes are now on display for visitors. The family's library collection, alone, houses over 2000 volumes including several great literary treasures, a number of first editions and many of the Harvard Classics. Guided tours of the Jack House interior and gardens are conducted by volunteer docents, specially trained in the history of the Jack Family and it's turn-of-the-century estate. The Wash House Gift Shop is open for browsing and souvenir shopping during regular tour hours.

Hart Ranch and Museum --

24151 San Fernando Road, Newhall, CA

Tour the former home and ranch of William S. Hart, silent film cowboy star and director. The Museum sits atop a hill within a large park area. The Spanish colonial Revival style mansion contains original furnishings, an impressive collection of western art, mementos of early Hollywood and Native American artifacts. In addition, there is a furnished 1910 ranch house which is open for unguided tours.

Andres Pico Adobe - San Fernando Valley Historical Society --

10940 Sepulveda Blvd., , Mission Hills, CA

The Andres Pico Adobe is one of the oldest residences in the City of Los Angeles. It represents a bygone era and the rich historical past of the San Fernando Valley. Inside are museum displays of native American beads, Mission and Spanish-Mexican era artifacts, costumes and clothing that span more than a century, and furniture from the Victorian era, when the Adobe was home to members of the Pico family.attending their educational programs.

Buena Vista Museum of Natural History --

2018 Chester Ave., Bakersfield, CA

This museum is full of sciences combining geology, anthropology, paleontology and more. Check out the Science Camps for Kids, School Field Trips, Traveling Programs and other Fun Projects on the web site for more details!www.seaworld.org

Bakersfield Museum of Art --

1930 R Street , Bakersfield, CA

The Bakersfield Museum of Art provides a broad spectrum of visual arts experiences through the exhibition and preservation of fine art, educational programs, community outreach, and special events.

Kern County Museum --

3801 Chester Avenue, Bakersfield, CA

The Kern County Museum was founded in 1941 and features 56 historic exhibits, many in relocated structures, an award winning hands-on oil exhibition Black Gold: The Oil Experience and the Lori Brock Children's Discovery Center for youth eight and under. The museum is consistently recognized for providing some of the most outstanding educational programs in the state of California, such as Native American Life, and Frontier Life. In addition, the museum hosts temporary exhibitions and special events in an effort to achieve its mission.

The Getty Center - Los Angeles --

1200 Getty Center Drive, Los Angeles , CA

The Getty Center presents the Getty's collection of Western art from the Middle Ages to the present against a backdrop of dramatic architecture, tranquil gardens, and breathtaking views. European paintings, drawings, manuscripts, sculpture and decorative arts, and European and American photographs. A selection from the special collections of the Research Library at the Getty Research Institute, as well as modern architecture and gardens. An orientation film gives an overview of the collections on view at the Getty Center.

Children's Museum of Los Angeles --

14410 Sylvan St., 7th Floor, Van Nuys, CA

Hansen Dam location is coming soon! Watch the web site for details on opening hours and admission. In the meantime check out the many other activities available through the web site. When open, the CMLA will be providing children and youth with a fun, interactive, safe and imaginative space where they can explore thoughts, produce creations and communicate ideas beyond the realm of their everyday experiences. Immerse yourselves in an experience where pride in community and appreciation of others, the environment, and “modes” of communication are the most predominant themes. CMLA provides programs and exhibits that transcend age and experience and empower its young visitors with the ability to set their own pace as they explore and learn.

Charles Paddock Zoo --

9305 Pismo Avenue, Atascadero, CA

The Zoo was established in 1955 by Charles Paddock, a county park ranger who nursed wild animals back to health. His reputation for rehabilitating animals soon spread throughout the area and Mr. Paddock's animal menagerie increased to over 125 wild birds and mammals by 1959. The zoo took on the official name of “The Charles Paddock Zoo” in 1980, in memory of its founder. Over the years, the Charles Paddock Zoo has grown and improved into a fully accredited zoo, exhibiting over 100 animals on 5 park like acres within beautiful Atascadero Lake Park.

Santa Monica Museum of Art --

2525 Michigan Avenue , Santa Monica, CA

The Santa Monica Museum of Art supports the art of our time through exhibitions and related programs that embrace diverse aesthetic, cultural, and ideological perspectives. The museum is an ideal environment for people of all ages, skill levels, and personal learning styles to develop their unique visions of the world through studio programs and workshops. At Emerging Artists Family Workshops, artists are teachers, and different ways of looking at the world through art are encouraged and applauded.

California Heritage Museum --

2612 Main St., Santa Monica, CA

In addition to the permanent collection of California furniture and pottery, the Museum features special exhibits highlighting various aspects and periods of decorative and fine arts in California.

Armand Hammer Museum of Art and Cultural Center --

10899 Wilshire Boulevard , Los Angeles, CA

Group tours/Adult Tours/Student Tours available at the Hammer Museum are led by UCLA student docents,

who develop age appropriate, interdisciplinary teaching methods that engage visitors of all ages. Groups have the opportunity to choose between viewing special exhibitions, permanent collections, the Franklin D. Murphy Sculpture Garden, and museum selections. All tours are conducted Tuesdays through Fridays between the hours of 11am and 3pm, and last approximately 45 minutes. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. Tours of the Sculpture Garden are available on during the same hours as museum tours, but require separate reservations. See web site for details on reservations.

Wildlife Waystation --

14831 Little Tujunga Canyon Road, Angeles National Forest, CA

The Wildlife WayStation is a nonprofit corporation that operates a unique animal sanctuary located on 160 acres just north of the San Fernando Valley in the Angeles National Forest, California. Founded in 1976, the WayStation is committed to a two fold mission: To rescue, rehabilitate, relocate, and provide sanctuary to wild and exotic animals from around the world, as well as native wildlife, and to educate the public about the global plight of wildlife, especially near cities.

Petersen Automotive Museum --

6060 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA

Take our journey through one of mankind's greatest achievements...The Automobile Explore the evolution of the Automobile and its impact on our culture. Experience the last 100 years of automotive history at our museum and here on our web site. There is always something new to discover for the whole family.

Warner Bros. Studios --

3400 Riverside Drive, Burbank, CA

Warner Bros. Studios, one of the finest motion picture and television production facilities in the world, is the site on which hundreds of unforgettable films and television shows have been created, filmed and taped. The 100-acre facility is among the oldest of such sites to be continuously occupied by the same company, and has continually been updated, becoming a working tribute to the word class standards of creativity and technology pioneered by Warner Bros.

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