OUTREACH PROGRAMS

We come to your classroom and facilitate a memorable hands-on program using photographs, artifacts, and other primary sources from the History Center’s collection.

LGBTQ+ Stories of San Diego
Students will engage in lessons and materials that highlight identity, facing adversity, and overcoming challenges. They will gain a historical perspective of the LGBTQ+ community while examining their own place in the world and how communities are built on the intersectionality of our many identities.

Coming to California
By assuming the role of “detective” and examining historic artifacts, students explore the identities, perspectives, and contributions of diverse groups of people who settled in California.

Diversity in San Diego
Through the examination of photographs and other primary sources students discover the many different cultures that make up San Diego, and how each has contributed to San Diego in its own way.

Indigenous Groups of San Diego
Through touchable artifacts and first-person narratives, students learn about the lifeways and perspectives of the region’s first inhabitants.

Grade Level: Elementary, Middle, High
Program Length: 1-1.5 hours per session.

INTRODUCTION TO HISTORICAL RESEARCH

The Research Archives is home to our extensive document and photograph collections that tell the stories of the people and places of San Diego. The region’s history can be accessed through books, ephemera, original maps, manuscripts, architectural drawings, public records, and the comprehensive photograph collection.

Introduction to the Research Archives
Students will receive an introduction to the collections and an orientation on how to use the Research Archives by San Diego History Archivists.
Grade Levels: Middle, High

Research Visit
For groups working on specific projects, appropriate resources will be pre-selected and students will be guided during their research visit.
Grade Levels: Middle, High

For more education program information or to schedule a program please visit:
www.sandiegohistory.org/school_programs/ and submit a program request via our online form.
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WELCOME TO THE SAN DIEGO HISTORY CENTER!

We offer interactive, multi-sensory, and immersive learning about San Diego history and community at our two sites: San Diego History Center in Balboa Park and the Junípero Serra Museum in Presidio Park.

All K-12 programs are designed as an extension of classroom learning, and are aligned with California State Standards and the Common Core. In addition to the programs described in this brochure, the Education Department can work with teachers to customize a museum experience that will meet the specific needs and interests of a particular class.

PROGRAM PRICES

Guided Programs
at the San Diego History Center and Junípero Serra Museum
$7 per student

Outreach Programs
No more than one class, or approximately 30 students, per session. Additional mileage fees applied to schools outside the City of San Diego. $125 per session

Self-Guided Programs
Self-Guided programs are available at SDHC only.
$10 reservation fee only

Programs at the Research Archives
$6 per student, teacher, or chaperone; additional charge for photocopies

A $10 reservation fee is collected for each program scheduled.
Confirmation and pre-visit materials are sent upon receipt of reservation fee.

Title I funding available for all Guided Programs.
Programs are available Monday through Friday, year round.

All Guided Programs require at least 1 adult per 8 students; these adults are included in student admission. Additional adults are welcome to join at the student price.

LISTEN UP!

Oral History Training Workshop
In this program, students are introduced to the importance of oral histories and the unique role they play in documenting and understanding our past. Over 4-6 class sessions led by a trained oral historian, students listen to examples of fascinating oral histories in SDHC’s permanent collection and learn how to create and stage their own museum-quality oral histories.

Grade levels: Middle, High (cost varies)

PROGRAMS AT THE SAN DIEGO HISTORY CENTER

Stories of San Diego
Through the examination of artifacts, documents, art, historic photographs, and other activities, the past comes alive and students discover how the history of San Diego is reflected in our culture today. Student investigations focus on the contributions of the diverse people that settled here, the events and personalities that have shaped San Diego, and the role that human-environment interactions have played in San Diego’s development.

Grade levels: K-5th

Mapping Balboa Park
Exploring the buildings and features from the 1915 Panama-California Exposition that form the foundation of the modern park, students will utilize cartography, navigation, and spatial awareness skills as they learn about Balboa Park “then and now.”

Grade levels: 3rd-6th

San Diego Before Statehood
Journey back in time and tread in the footsteps of the padres, soldiers, and settlers who established the first mission and presidio in Alta California. Students explore a section of Presidio Park, learning about the plaza, stables, jail, chapel, and commander’s house that lie protected underground today.

Grade levels: 3rd-6th

PROGRAMS AT THE JUNÍPERO SERRA MUSEUM

Exploring San Diego’s LGBTQ+ Community
Students will participate in educational activities that center around identity, diversity, justice, and action. Through a tour of the LGBTQ+ San Diego: Stories of Struggles + Triumphs, students will gain insight into the historical presence of the LGBTQIA+ community and the road to social justice.

Grade levels: middle, high

Self-Guided Visits
Groups may reserve a self-guided program to explore the galleries at their own pace. Self-guided programs booked in advance include a free pre-program teacher visit to the space, along with a variety of materials to help facilitate your experience. Reservation guarantees that your group will have access to the museum on the day and time you choose.