SAN DIEGO HISTORY CENTER

November 2025
NOW

HISTORY IS HAPPENING NOW: EXCITING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

Celebrate a New Era for Women's History

Join us Thursday, November 6, as the San Diego History Center in Balboa Park launches the **Center for Women's History**—honoring past **San Diego Women's Hall of Fame** inductees and the legacy of the Women's History Reclamation Project and Women's Museum of California.

Featured Speakers:

Starla Lewis, Professor Emeritus, life coach, and founder of C.E.L.L. (Celebration of Everlasting Life & Love) Consulting, is a 2016 Women's Hall of Fame honoree recognized for over 40 years of leadership in African American Studies and women's studies.

Monique Henderson, a 2009 Women's Hall of Fame inductee, Olympic gold medalist, and educator, earned her degrees at San Diego State University and 2008 Beijing Games. Today, she is a professor at Golden West College in Huntington Beach and serves on athletic boards and committees that champion fairness, representation, and opportunity in collegiate athletics.

Be part of this historic moment—celebrate the women who built San Diego, connect with the community shaping its future, and help launch a new era of women's history.

San Diego History Center/Women's Museum of California Members: $85
General Public: $150 VIP: $250

Space is limited and tickets will sell out fast!

RSVP TODAY

Interested in the Center for Women's History and supporting this event? Sponsorships are available. Contact **Sheila Thomas** for additional information by emailing **SThomas@sandiegohistory.com** or calling (619) 232-6203 ext. 126.

EL PRESIDIO DE SAN DIEGO
ALTA CALIFORNIA'S LOST CITY

SPEAKER: LAURENCE R. PARKER, ARCHITECT/ARTIST

NOVEMBER **13** 6:30PM

Explore The Lost City Beneath San Diego

Be part of a fascinating evening on November 13 as the San Diego History Center presents the launch of *El Presidio De San Diego: Alta California's Lost City*, the newest book by local author and archaeologist **Richard L. Carrico.**

This groundbreaking publication is the first to take a deep dive into the archaeology and history of the San Diego Presidio—the site of Alta California's first mission and European settlement. Through vivid storytelling and evocative illustrations, Carrico brings to life the people who lived and died at this pivotal site, illuminating a essential chapter of our region's past.

The evening will feature a panel discussion exploring the broader historical, cultural, and Indigenous context of the Presidio with:

Erica Pinto,
Chairwoman,
Jamul Indian Village

Seth Mallios,
Professor of Anthropology,
San Diego State University

Fred Grand,
California decendant and Executive Director, *Old Town Chamber of Commerce*

Tickets: Member Ticket: **$10** | General Public: **$20**

RSVP HERE

HOLIDAY GIFT SALE

NOVEMBER **29-30**
10AM - 4:30PM

Looking for the perfect gift for the history lover in your life? Don't miss this unique opportunity to purchase historic prints of San Diego books from local authors, and peel volumes of *The Journal of San Diego History!* Stop by the San Diego History Center on Saturday, November 29 and Sunday, November 30 to browse a stunning collection of photographs, including vintage beach scenes, Balboa Park landmarks, Old Spanish Days/Fiesta, iconic county landmarks, and more. Each photo captures a captivating moment in time, offering a window into the rich history of our region.

Explore our selection of books about San Diego's beginnings, notable architects, and memorable locals. This is your chance to bring a piece of San Diego's past into your home—or share it with someone special this holiday season!

A wide variety of thin and 16x20 black & white prints available for $20 – $25. Books $20 - $70.
Peel volumes of *The Journal of San Diego History* $15.
Discounts offered to SDHC members.

LEARN MORE

SAN DIEGO HISTORY CENTER IN THE NEWS

San Diego History Center Chair Emeritus Sam Fatter received the "Mr. San Diego 2025" Award from former Governor Pete Wilson at the San Diego Rotary's annual luncheon on October 16.

Learn more about Fatter's lifelong dedication to the San Diego History Center and our region in this CBS 8 News report.

SEE CBS8 NEWS STORY

Bill Lawrence, President & CEO of the San Diego History Center, shared with Drew Schlosberg on the Spotlight on The Community podcast how connecting our past and present helps build a vibrant, inclusive future for all San Diegans—and offers a special preview of the reimagined History Center planned for the museum in Balboa Park.

LISTEN TODAY!

The San Diego History Center and Lambda Archives of San Diego were featured in a new exhibition at San Diego City Hall in partnership with the LGBTQ

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NOVEMBER EVENTS

COMMUNITY RESEARCH ACCESS DAY
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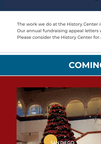
Drive Deep into the Archive! Remember that the 2025 San Diego History Center offers a free, Community Access Day. Reservations are required and space is limited.

RSVP HERE

Balboa Park Women's History Tour
Sat
15
2:30pm

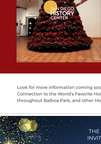
Come along on a free guided tour —starting at the Bea Evenson Fountain on the east end of the Prado—to discover the remarkable women who helped shape Balboa Park and San Diego's vibrant history.

Help Make History And Make An Impact On The Future!



The work we do at the History Center is not possible without your support. Our annual fundraising appeal letters will be going out in late November. Please consider the History Center for a year end gift.

COMING SOON



Join Us In December To Celebrate The Season!

Look for more information coming soon about Poinsettia Day (Sept.) Connection to the World's Favorite Holiday Flower, December Nights throughout Balboa Park, and other History Center festivities.

THE SAN DIEGO HISTORY CENTER INVITES YOU TO MINGLE & SINGLE!

DONOR, MEMBER & VOLUNTEER

Appreciation PARTY

TUESDAY, **DECEMBER 2** | 6PM - 8PM
The San Diego History Center
In The Heart Of Balboa Park

CURRENT EXHIBITIONS IN BALBOA PARK

Explore our flagship museum in Balboa Park and the Junipero Serra Museum in historic Presidio Park, where visitors and locals alike can discover why the history of San Diego matters today.

Immerse yourself in our fascinating exhibitions and interactive experiences that bring the region's history to life.

SAN DIEGO HISTORY CENTER
BALBOA PARK

HOURS:
Wednesday through Sunday
10AM - 4PM

GET TICKETS

Reserve Tickets

JUNIPERO SERRA MUSEUM
PRESIDIO PARK

HOURS:
Friday, Saturday & Sunday
10AM - 4PM

GET TICKETS

Please check the site for scheduled closures

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