Many Local Museums Reopen and Welcome Community Back with Enhanced Safety Measures in Place

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (November 2, 2020) – After being closed for more than seven months due to COVID-19 mandates, many of the nearly 30 members of Sacramento Area Museums (SAM) are now welcoming the community back for in-person visits in compliance with all state, city and county guidelines. After incorporating enhanced measures and protocols designed to keep visitors, staff members and the community safe and socially distanced, many museums have already reopened or have plans to do so soon. Some, however, have delayed their reopening for a variety of reasons specific and unique to the museum or destination.

While subject to change, below is a listing of Sacramento Area Museum (SAM) member museums and their current reopening status:

- Aerospace Museum of California – open four days per week, Thursday through Sunday
- California Agriculture Museum – open five days per week, Wednesday through Sunday
- California Automobile Museum – open three days per week, Friday through Sunday
- California Museum – reopening November 5 for four days per week, Thursday through Sunday
- California Pharmacy Museum – temporarily closed until further notice
- California State Capitol Museum – temporarily closed until further notice
- California State Library – temporarily closed for tours until further notice
- California State Railroad Museum – open seven days per week
- Center for Sacramento History – temporarily closed until further notice
- Crocker Art Museum – open four days per week, Thursday through Sunday with advance tickets required
- Fairytale Town – open four days per week, Thursday through Sunday with advance tickets required
- Folsom History Museum – open four days per week, Thursday through Sunday
- Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park – open seven days per week for 30-minute tours
- Locke Boarding House Museum – temporarily closed, will reopen on January 1, 2021
- Maidu Museum & Historic Park – open two days per week, Friday and Saturday (museum by advance appointment & free outdoor historic site trail for drop-ins)
- Museum of Medical History – temporarily closed until further notice
- Old Sacramento Schoolhouse – temporarily closed until further notice
• Roseville Utility Exploration Center – will reopen November 4 for five days per week, Tuesday through Saturday
• Sacramento Children’s Museum – temporarily closed until further notice
• Sacramento Historic City Cemetery – open seven days a week
• Sacramento History Museum – open six days a week, Tuesday through Sunday
• Sacramento Zoo – open seven days a week with advance tickets required
• SMUD Museum of Science and Curiosity’s (formerly Powerhouse Science Center) Powerhouse Discovery Campus - temporarily closed until further notice; new science center located at 400 Jibboom Street in Sacramento will open in late 2021
• Sojourner Truth African American Museum – status to-be-determined
• State Indian Museum – open seven days per week
• Sutter’s Fort State Historic Park – open seven days per week
• Verge Center for the Arts – open four days per week, Thursday through Sunday (now through November 21 then will reopen again in January 2021)
• Wells Fargo Museums (Old Sacramento & Downtown locations) – permanently closed

Interested museum guests are encouraged to reach out to each individual museum or destination for hours and necessary details prior to visiting. In addition, nearly all of the museums have introduced innovative virtual offerings and activations to stay engaged with the community, many of which are likely to continue far into the future.

For more information about upcoming activities offered by Sacramento area museums, “like” them on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/SacMuseums, follow them on Instagram and Twitter @SacMuseums or visit the user-friendly website at www.SacMuseums.org. Those interested can also sign up for emails to learn more about your Sacramento Area Museums via the website at www.sacmuseums.org.

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**About Sacramento Area Museums (SAM)**
Comprised of 30 greater Sacramento area museums working in partnership with Visit Sacramento, SAM’s mission is to raise awareness of local museums by giving the community the opportunity to discover the region’s fine art, history, science, and wildlife treasures. SAM achieves its mission through implementing cooperative promotions and developing strategic marketing alliances, by encouraging sharing of knowledge and resources among its partner institutions. For more information, visit www.SacMuseums.org.

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