



SACRAMENTO AREA
MUSEUMS

Sacramento Area Museums Offer Special Hands-On Activations and Thought-Provoking Exhibits to Explore

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (December 6, 2021) -- In addition to its fascinating Gold Rush past, the Sacramento area is rich with an amazing array of state-of-the-art museums and historic sites that offer visitors the chance to explore California's fine art, history, science, and wildlife treasures all year long. In December, many Sacramento Area Museums are offering special activations and new exhibits, a sampling of which includes the following:

- **Aerospace Museum of California Offers Winter Break Activities -- 12/27-12/31**
The community is invited to visit the Aerospace Museum of California for family fun holiday activities over the winter holiday break. *Tinkering with Toys* is offered on December 27 and 29 and will explore STEM through toys. Participants will be able to make and take home their own marshmallow launching catapults, straw rockets, paper airplane launchers, and more. Then on December 28 and 30, the Museum will be hosting *Gingerbread Mars Rovers* where families will have fun learning about NASA's Mars Perseverance Rover while designing and building their own edible rovers using holiday-themed sweets and treats. Then, the Museum will ring in the New Year with a special *New Year's Eve at Noon - Frozen Celebration* on December 31. Elsa and Anna will be at the Aerospace Museum to celebrate the joys of winter with songs and stories. In addition, the Museum will be hosting "Frozen" themed STEM activities like "Wanna Build A Snowman" and igloos out of marshmallows, galaxy snow globes, paper snowflake making, and a noon countdown party. For more information about the Winter Break STEM fun for the whole family, please visit <https://aerospacemuseum.org/events/>
- **California Museum Presents "The Negro Motorist Green Book" Exhibition – thru 2/27/22**
The California Museum invites the region to journey through stories of African American community, business innovation and creative self-determination in "The Negro Motorist Green Book." This traveling exhibition offers visitors an immersive look at travel during the era of Jim Crow, revealing how the guide was an indispensable resource for the nation's rising African American middle and business classes. Created by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) in collaboration with curator Candacy Taylor, author of "Overground Railroad: The Green Book and the Roots of Black Travel in America," the exhibition is sponsored by Exxon Mobil Corporation. For more information about the traveling exhibition on view through February 27, 2022 – exclusively in Northern California at the California Museum – please visit www.californiamuseum.org/green-book.

- **Verge Center for the Arts Presents Personal Histories: Work by 2021 AYP AIR Artists – 12/11 thru 2/20/22**

Personal Histories: Work by 2021 AYP AIR Artists marks the culmination of Verge's three-year collaboration with the Ali Youssefi Project, an organization founded to honor the late developer and community leader, Ali Youssefi. This will be the third exhibition produced by Verge on behalf of AYP, representing the work of local and national artists. This year's artists in residence (AIR) developed work explores personal narratives relating to race, domestic labor, social injustice, the importance of grandmothers, cultural archetypes, and the temporality of human existence. The disciplines, methods, and approach each artist takes in examining these concepts runs the gamut from traditional media like painting and ceramic sculpture to spoken word and fountain construction. For more, visit www.vergeart.com/exhibitions/personal-histories-work-by-2021-ayp-air-artists/

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About Sacramento Area Museums (SAM)

Comprised of 25 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 California'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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