



## SACRAMENTO AREA MUSEUMS

### Local Museums Offer a Variety of Must-See & Must-Do Experiences Before Summer's End

**SACRAMENTO, Calif. (July 20, 2022)** – Sacramento area museums offer plenty of must-see and must-do experiences perfect to explore before summer's end. The community is encouraged to visit their favorite destinations (or discover new ones) with friends, family, or as solo explorers.

A sampling of must-see and must-do experiences and activations offered by local museums this summer include the following:

- **California Museum** – Museum guests are invited to get their bodies moving and dance to reveal a personal identity collage in the “Proud to Be Me” exhibit at the California Museum’s Unity Center. Home to the official California Hall of Fame and many more inspiring exhibitions, the California Museum celebrates the Golden State’s history, arts, diversity, and unique influence on the world.  
[www.californiamuseum.org](http://www.californiamuseum.org)
- **California State Railroad Museum** –The community is invited to help welcome a new must-see locomotive to the world-class museum. The Virginia & Truckee No. 18 – the *Dayton* – was originally built in the Sacramento Central Pacific Shops in 1873. On temporary loan from the Nevada State Railroad Museum, the *Dayton* will be on display for a limited time. This beautiful locomotive was a workhorse in Nevada and spent its retirement starring in Hollywood movies and TV shows. Museum visitors will learn about the significance of this beautiful steam locomotive and so much more. [www.californiarailroad.museum](http://www.californiarailroad.museum)
- **Crocker Art Museum** – This summer, the Crocker Art Museum is offering “Thursday Nights at the Crocker” when the museum is open on Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. for concerts, films, and more. With special activations happening in the outdoor courtyard and gallery spaces, ArtMix evening extravaganzas are designed with adults in mind (second Thursdays); Movies Off the Wall, the summer film series screened outside against the wall of the iconic Teel Family Pavilion (third Thursdays); and Jazz Nights at the Crocker, Sacramento’s longest running outdoor jazz concert series (fourth Thursdays).  
[www.crockerart.org/summerthursdays](http://www.crockerart.org/summerthursdays)
- **Sacramento Children’s Museum** – Every Thursday around 11:30 a.m., the Children’s Museum will host special performers and presentations as part of an exciting program “Story Factory Stage Presents.” This new offering will highlight many good friends of the museum such as musician Lisa Phenix, the great Richie Bee and his one-man circus, and an introduction to some animal and reptile friends. Free with museum admission. [www.sackids.org](http://www.sackids.org)

- **Sacramento History Museum** – Day or night, the Sacramento History Museum has must-do experiences that await. In the daytime, Old Sacramento Underground Tour guests stay cool in underground spaces. Guests explore what has been hidden beneath the city for more than 150 years, while uncovering the facts and legends that lie below Old Sacramento. Then at night, guests explore a different side of history with After Hours or Paranormal Investigation evening tours. These experiences divulge stories not told on the daytime tours: murder, mischief, madness, mayhem, and madams. Old Sacramento Underground Tours are offered every day and After Hours and Paranormal Tours on weekends.  
[www.sachistorymuseum.org](http://www.sachistorymuseum.org)
- **Sacramento Regional Fire Museum** – A great summertime must-see for all ages is the Early Sacramento Central Fire Alarm Station at the Fire Museum. On special display, it is the original fire alarm system installed in Sacramento in 1932. It was the reception point for all of the cities' street fire alarm boxes. The system remains operational and the only known working model in California.  
[www.sacfiremuseum.org](http://www.sacfiremuseum.org)
- **Sutter's Fort State Historic Park** – Back by popular demand, Sutter's Fort is offering extended hours on Friday and Saturday evenings through Labor Day. An iconic midtown destination, Sutter's Fort is open until 8 p.m. when visitors can enjoy a leisurely evening visit that often provides more shade, a nice delta breeze, and must-see sunsets during self-guided tours of the park. For more information, visit [www.suttersfort.org/event/extended-summer-hours-2/](http://www.suttersfort.org/event/extended-summer-hours-2/)

For more information about upcoming activities offered by Sacramento area museums, "like" them on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/SacMuseums](https://www.facebook.com/SacMuseums), follow them on Instagram and Twitter @SacMuseums or visit the user-friendly website at [www.SacMuseums.org](http://www.SacMuseums.org).

#### **About Sacramento Area Museums**

*Comprised of approximately 25 greater Sacramento area museums, 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](http://www.SacMuseums.org).*

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