



18TH ANNUAL
Sacramento
Museum Day
February 6, 2016

**California State Library to take part in the
18th Annual Sacramento Museum Day
Saturday, February 6, 2016, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Sacramento, Calif. – For the first time in 18 years, the State Library’s branch in the Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building at 914 Capitol Mall, will be participating in **Sacramento’s Annual Museum Day, Saturday, February 6, 2016**. The building will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. **This free event** will feature docent-led and self-guided tours. Docent tours will start at the top of each hour, the first one beginning at 10 with the last tour at 4.

The Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building reopened in 2014 after four years of extensive renovations, bringing it back to its original splendor. Museum Day offers a great opportunity to see this magnificent building on a day of the week it’s usually not open.



Maynard Dixon Mural “A Pageant of Traditions” - Gillis Hall

Among the treasures you’ll find:

- The Maynard Dixon Murals in Gillis Hall and the second floor main hallway
- Original architectural drawings from the firm who designed the building, Weeks and Day
- A 1501 French bible used by governors and other state officials for their swearing in ceremonies
- The State Library’s first handwritten catalog
- A copy of the Federalist Papers
- The Memorial Vestibule dedicated to the men and women who fought during the First World War which features Frank Van Sloun’s mural, “War through the Ages”
- The beautiful carved statuary by Edward Field Sanford, Jr.
- The State Library Meeting Room, originally built to house the State Supreme Court

Gillis Hall, the Witkin Law Library and Government Publications reading rooms will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with librarians and other staff there to answer questions.

Museum Day is coordinated by the Sacramento Association of Museums (SAM) and the Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau.

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About the State Library

Founded in 1850, the California State Library has an extensive collection of documents from and about the state's rich history, ranging from books, maps, miners' diaries, newspapers and periodicals to photographs, paintings and posters. The State Library also holds federal and state publications, and is home to the Bernard E. Witkin State Law Library, and the Braille and Talking Book Library. www.library.ca.gov

About the Sacramento Association of Museums (SAM)

Comprised of nearly 30 greater Sacramento area museums working in partnership with the Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau, 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. www.sacmuseums.org