



State Library to Display Historic Treasures for 3rd Annual "Sacramento Archives Crawl" on October 5

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Sacramento, CA –In celebration of National Archives Month, the California State Library will join with archives and special collections libraries from throughout the region to showcase rarely-seen holdings during the 3rd annual Sacramento Archives Crawl on Saturday, October 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free and open to the public, crawl participants can expect to see a wide range of historic materials plus receive helpful advice and “how-to” information about caring for their own family archives.

The State Library is one of four host locations showcasing historic artifacts from twenty-three Northern California institutions. Treasures from the library’s collection slated for display include a 16th century bible owned by Father Junipero Serra, founder of the California missions, rare photographs of buildings that once stood in Old Sacramento, and an 1849 pencil sketch of the Sacramento Embarcadero during the height of the Gold Rush.

On exhibit from the state’s “wild west” days will be artifacts from the jail cell of Tiburcio Vasquez before he was hanged in San Jose in 1875. Vasquez was a notorious stagecoach robber, horse thief and murderer. Preserved in the collection are his rosary, lock of hair, a piece of the noose, and a ticket to the execution.

The State Library also will be hosting the archival collections of California State Parks, California State University, Chico, and University of California, Davis. The other host locations for the one-day-only event are the [California State Archives](#), the [Center for Sacramento History](#), and the [Sacramento Public Library](#). All four of the host locations for the Archives Crawl are located within downtown Sacramento.

Participants will start at any of the four locations and receive a passport. Those who get their passport stamped at three sites will be given a set of commemorative coasters. Free transportation between host locations will be provided via a 1950s-era transit bus.

For more information about the Sacramento Archives Crawl, please visit www.sacarchivescrawl.blogspot.com.

About the California State Library

Founded in 1850, the California State Library is the central reference and research library for the Governor’s office, legislature, state employees, and the general public. The State Library administers federal and state grants for programs in historical preservation, library construction, literacy, and broadband connectivity in public libraries. Please visit: www.library.ca.gov .