



## The California Museum's California Hall of Fame Fact Sheet

### What is the California Hall of Fame?

The California Museum's California Hall of Fame was established in 2006 to honor legendary people who embody California's innovative spirit and have made their mark on history. The California Hall of Fame is a landmark destination featured in the Museum, which serves to inspire visitors by exhibiting the diverse, creative and extraordinary stories of trailblazers, leaders and legends who have called California home.

The California Hall of Fame celebrates inductees by:

- Installing the inductees into the California Hall of Fame institution in a formal state ceremony each year, at which inductees (or their families, if a posthumous award) receive the *Spirit of California* medal;
- Making inductees and their accomplishments part of the permanent record in the California State Archives;
- Recording the unique stories and personal achievements of inductees in an exhibit at The California Museum, serving as the visual, encyclopedic record of the California Hall of Fame, to which new inductees are added each year; and
- Highlighting the inspirational achievements of inductees through a year-round education campaign.

### Where is it located?

The 2011 California Hall of Fame induction ceremony will take place on December 8, at Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, located at 1515 J Street. The 2011 California Hall of Fame exhibition will open on December 9 at The California Museum, located at 1020 O Street in Sacramento.

### Who are the 2011 inductees?

The 2011 inductees are: **Buzz Aldrin, The Beach Boys, Dr. Elizabeth Blackburn, Father Gregory Boyle, Doris and Donald Fisher, Magic Johnson, Ed Roberts, Carlos Santana, Amy Tan, and Justice Roger Traynor.**

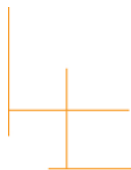
### What are the criteria for induction?

The California Hall of Fame inductees come from all walks of life and are people who have made distinguished achievements across many fields, including the arts, education, business and labor, science, sports, philanthropy and public service.

The mandatory criteria for selection to the California Hall of Fame requires that inductees have transcended the boundaries of their field to make lasting contributions to the state, nation and world and that their extraordinary vision motivates and inspires people to further their own dreams.

### Who else has been inducted?

The 2010 inductees were: Edmund G. "Pat" Brown, James Cameron, John Doerr, A. P. Giannini, Merle Haggard, Anne Lamott, George Shultz, Kevin Starr, Levi Strauss, Barbra Streisand, Wayne Thiebaud, Betty White, Serena Williams and Mark Zuckerberg.



The 2009 inductees were: Carol Burnett, Andrew Grove, Hiram Johnson, Rafer Johnson, Henry J. Kaiser, Joan Kroc, George Lucas, John Madden, Harvey Milk, Fritz Scholder, Danielle Steel, Joe Weider and General Chuck Yeager.

The 2008 inductees were: Dave Brubeck, Jane Fonda, Theodor “Dr. Seuss” Geisel, Robert Graham, Quincy Jones, Jack LaLanne, Dorothea Lange, Julia Morgan, Jack Nicholson, Dr. Linus Pauling, Leland Stanford and Alice Waters.

The 2007 inductees were: Ansel Adams, Milton Berle, Steve Jobs, Willie Mays, Robert Mondavi, Rita Moreno, Jackie Robinson, Jonas Salk, John Steinbeck, Elizabeth Taylor, Earl Warren, John Wayne and Tiger Woods.

The 2006 inductees were: César Chávez, Walt Disney, Amelia Earhart, Clint Eastwood, Frank Gehry, David Ho, M.D., Billie Jean King, John Muir, Ronald Reagan, Sally Ride, Alice Walker and the Hearst and Packard Families.

**When will the induction take place?**

The California Museum’s annual California Hall of Fame induction event will be held at Sacramento Memorial Auditorium on December 8, 2011, and will include a formal state induction ceremony, the presentation of medals by the Governor and First Lady, followed by a celebration. All living inductees attend and members of the surviving family accept posthumous awards.

**How can I watch the California Hall of Fame?**

A live broadcast of the red carpet and induction ceremony will take place on Comcast Hometown Network, channel 104, from 6:00 to 8:00pm. In addition, a live feed of the show will be available online at <http://www.CaliforniaMuseum.org>

**When does the 2011 exhibition open?**

The 2011 California Hall of Fame exhibit will open on Friday, December 9, 2011 at The California Museum and will feature artifacts on loan from the year’s inductees.

**How does this program fit into the Museum’s education programming?**

The California Hall of Fame advances the Museum’s mission to engage, enlighten and educate. The California Museum plays a role in addressing the tremendous need in K-12 education by bringing critical learning opportunities in art, culture and history to the youth. In 2011, The California Museum expects to serve over 50,000 students through this program. The California Hall of Fame educational activities, wrapped into the current educational programming, feature special activity sheets for educators teaching California history. The Museum also hosts family fun days inspired by the inductees.

**What is the California Hall of Fame medal?**

The late Los Angeles artist and 2008 inductee, Robert Graham, designed the California Hall of Fame medal, named *Spirit of California*. This beautifully sculpted medal is presented to each inductee at the induction ceremony as a symbol of their installation into the California Hall of Fame.

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