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 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.

The Ninth Annual California Hall of Fame induction ceremony will take place on Wed., Oct. 28, 2015, at the California Museum, located at 1020 O Street in Sacramento, Calif. The Ninth Annual California Hall of Fame artifact exhibition will open to the public on the following day, Thurs., Oct. 29, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

The ninth class of inductees includes Robert Downey Jr., David Hockney, Lester Holt, Bruce Lee, Ellen Ochoa, Buck Owens, Charles M. Schulz and Kristi Yamaguchi.

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 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.

The eighth class of inductees includes Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Charlotta Bass, Joan Didion, Francis Ford Coppola, Fred Ross, Stephen Schneider, Mimi Silbert and Andre “Dr. Dre” Young and Jimmy Iovine.

The seventh class of inductees includes Gregory Bateson, Warren Beatty, Charles & Ray Eames, Dolores Huerta, Ishi, Joe Montana and the Warner Brothers.
The sixth class of inductees includes Buzz Aldrin, The Beach Boys, Elizabeth Blackburn, Gregory Boyle, Doris and Donald Fisher, Magic Johnson, Ed Roberts, Carlos Santana, Amy Tan and Roger Traynor.

The fifth class of inductees includes 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 fourth class of inductees includes 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 Chuck Yeager.

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


The first class of inductees includes César Chávez, Walt Disney, Amelia Earhart, Clint Eastwood, Frank Gehry, David Ho, 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 Ninth Annual California Hall of Fame induction ceremony will be held at the Museum on Oct. 28, 2015, and will include a formal state induction ceremony, the presentation of medals by the Governor and First Lady. All living inductees attend and surviving family members accept posthumous awards.

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

A live webcast will be streamed on Wednesday, Oct. 28 beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the Museum’s web site at [http://www.CaliforniaMuseum.org](http://www.CaliforniaMuseum.org).

**When does the California Hall of Fame exhibit open?**

The ninth Annual California Hall of Fame exhibit will open at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015 and features artifacts on loan from the new class of 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 Museum plays a role in addressing the tremendous need in K-12 education by bringing critical learning opportunities in art, culture and history to youth. In 2015, 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.

**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.