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GENERAL INFORMATION

Interim Hours & Holidays
Open Thursday through Sunday 10 am to 5 pm. Closed Monday through Wednesday, July 4, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day.

Admission
Advance: $7.55 at CaliforniaMuseum.org/hours-admission-tickets. Walk-up: Adults $10, College Students, Seniors 65, Youth 6-17: $8, Kids 5 & under free. Museum & reciprocal museum members free with current member card.

Face Masks
The California Department of Public Health requires face masks for all visitors over age 2. Masks may be brought from home or purchased in the Museum Store.

Field Trip & Group Tours
Sorry, group tours are not permitted at this time. For details and updates on group tours, visit CaliforniaMuseum.org/covid-19.

Food & Drinks
Due to the California Department of Public Health’s face mask mandate, food and drinks may not be consumed inside. Tables and chairs available in courtyard, see map on reverse for location.

Visitor Etiquette
Complimentary hand sanitizer is available throughout the facility. Please clean your hands upon entering, touching interactives and exiting. No large bags, luggage or pets allowed except for service animals with documentation. Please do not touch art or artifacts.

Photography
Photographs taken without flash may be taken for personal use only. No commercial-grade or video equipment, flash, tripods or selfie-sticks permitted.

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FEATURED SIGNATURE EXHIBITS

1 California Hall of Fame
An exploration of the lives & legacies of Californians who have changed the world & made their mark on history, this exhibit features personal items on loan from the current class of California Hall of Fame inductees.

2 California Indians: The First People
Featuring artifacts, oral histories & more, this exhibit chronicles the stories and cultural legacies of over 150 tribes from across the state and was developed under a Native advisory council.

3 California Missions: A Journey Along the El Camino Real
Aligned with State Content Standards for 4th grade history-social science, this exhibit includes rare artifacts from missions across the state, a cape from the Portola expedition, El Camino Real bell & more.

4 Constitution Wall
Sacramento’s largest public sculpture, Constitution Wall is a six-story work of art featuring words taken from the state’s constitution chosen to inspire reflection on the rights guaranteed to all Californians.

5 Health Happens Here
An interactive journey through all the ways health happens in California, this exhibit explores key factors affecting health beyond traditional diet & exercise through a series of high-tech games.

6 Gold Mountain: Chinese Californian Stories
Discover the history and contributions of Chinese Americans to California from the Gold Rush to the present through personal stories of ingenuity and perseverance.

7 Unity Center at California Museum
The Museum’s signature installation celebrating California’s diverse people, customs and cultures and leaders in civil rights history through interactive exhibits inspiring visitors to stand up to hate, bigotry and intolerance as Unity Activists.

8 Uprooted! Japanese Americans During WWII
Featuring artifacts from the camps & replica barracks, this exhibit surveys the incarceration of Japanese Americans during WWII, as well as their successful fight for redress for the loss of constitutional rights.

9 Women Inspire: California Women Changing Our World
Charting women’s struggle for equality from the 1700s to today through the stories of inspiring individuals, this all-new signature exhibit was developed in collaboration with First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom.

10 Yosemite People
This traveling photography exhibit developed by photographer Jonas Kulkaukas and Exhibit Envoy chronicles the people who live, work and visit Yosemite National Park in recognition of the historic site’s 130th anniversary in 2020. (Through 6/27/21)

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11 Fight for the Right: 100 Years of Women Voting
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