



Annual Report



Fiscal Year 2023-2024

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Open House for the future *Black History of Yuba-Sutter* exhibit.

LOUIE LETHRIDGE:

“[Lethridge has] also done so many visible murals at almost every school in Marysville School District and at Wheatland Union School District. The recognition for his efforts and talent are way past overdue and very undernoted in the community. Thank you for showing your respect and appreciation to this wonderful man and patron of the arts.”

— Shanee Swindle

Mission

The Sutter County Museum shares local stories to strengthen community bonds, to inspire celebration of our diverse cultural heritage, and to demonstrate how understanding the past prepares us for the future.

Land Acknowledgement

The Sutter County Museum acknowledges that we are on the traditional land of the Nisenan people. The Nisenan have been stewards of this land for all of their history and did not leave it willingly. We acknowledge the land theft, enslavement, and genocide that forced them away. We honor and respect the Indigenous people who are still connected to this land. We invite our visitors to consider the legacy of colonialism and to support Indigenous rights and sovereignty.

COVER PHOTO:

Plumas Street, c. 1966. Photo from the Sutter County Museum collection.



Rendering from the concept design for the Sutter County Museum's Middle Galleries. Courtesy of RAA.

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Letter from the Association President



Phyllis Smith
Sutter County Museum
Association President

What a great year! Once again we had a very successful Trees & Traditions fundraiser, generating \$32,605 in income! These funds support the Museum Association's free educational programming and temporary exhibitions for the community.

Our success was due mainly to three factors: our members and guests, who turned out in large numbers to enjoy the festive event, which included a surprise performance by young ballerinas from Transitions Dance; our community supporters, who provided sponsorship funds and in-kind donations; and our hard-working Sutter County Museum Association members, who devoted many hours over the course of the year to the variety of tasks required to host a successful party. Thank you to all who contributed!

Once again we've had significant changes in staffing. Our beloved Assistant Curator, Drisel Perez, left the Museum for a new opportunity near the end of the fiscal year. And unfortunately, due to the County budget, we are unable to fill her position, leaving us with a large gap in Museum staffing. As you've undoubtedly heard by now, the Museum is coping with this shortage by reducing public hours and offering fewer services.

In addition, Marika Garcia, our Development Officer, left for another opportunity and was replaced by Narinder Sufi, who is showing her chops as a seasoned government and nonprofit funding professional.

Fortunately for us, both Marika and our former Assistant Curator, Sharyl Simmons, have joined the Association! So we are continuing to benefit from their experience and expertise.

Last summer we reveled in the excitement generated by the temporary hands-on children's exhibit, *Potter the Otter*, which brought over 3,100 children and families to the Museum in under two months. Watch for another child-focused exhibit next summer.

The Association provided substantial funding for the *Black History of Yuba-Sutter* exhibit, including a donation toward commissioning Louie Lethridge to paint original artworks on the two exhibit cases. Please come by the Museum to see Louie's extraordinary talent on display.

Because of a generous sponsorship from the Harkey House and the hard work of staff and volunteers, we redesigned and republished the *Sutter County Scenic Driving Tour* guidebook, which is for sale in the Museum's Gift Shop.

We also made some facility upgrades. We added to our sound system to improve public programs like our Speaker Series, Kids' Movie Nights, and Trees & Traditions. Thanks to a sponsorship from Sutter County Children & Families Commission, we added changing tables in both restrooms to make the Museum more family-friendly. And because of a grant subsidy, we were able to purchase an automated external defibrillator (AED) to improve visitor safety.

Looking forward, 2025 is the Museum's 50th anniversary! Association members are hard at work preparing to celebrate our achievements next spring.

Despite some new challenges, we are confident that our group of enthusiastic, productive, and inspired Association volunteers will continue to provide a superb experience for Museum visitors and our local community.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phyllis E. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Phyllis Smith
Sutter County Museum Association President

Letter from the Museum Director



Molly Bloom
Sutter County
Museum Director
and Curator

We had another great year at the Sutter County Museum! From July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 (FY23-24) we experienced steady growth in visitation; offered six temporary exhibits that brought in diverse and engaging topics; hosted over 125 educational programs, field trips, and group visits; and saw a 70% increase in grade school trips and group outings to the Museum.

The Sutter County Museum is a partnership between Sutter County and the Sutter County Museum Association, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Each provides substantial funding to support the Museum and our operations. Due to the Sutter County budget, the County has been forced to scale back services across its departments, including the Museum. As a result, we are severely affected by the decrease with our professional museum staff positions going from 2.5 full-time employees to 1.5 full-time employees. This has a significant impact on our capacity to provide services to the community and operate the Museum. We expect this upcoming year to be challenging and know that success will be measured differently.

Despite these challenges, we are strongly committed to using available resources to continue bringing free engaging exhibits and free educational programs to the Yuba-Sutter community and beyond. Funds raised by memberships, donations, purchases in the Gift Shop, and at fundraising events like Trees & Traditions support the Sutter County Museum Association. Our hardworking Museum Association members have many exciting events and programs planned already! Before the end of 2024, you can expect to see announcements for the opening of the Black History of Yuba-Sutter permanent exhibit, funded by a grant from California Humanities. By April of 2025, in time for the Sutter County Museum's 50th anniversary, we are scheduled to open our new comprehensive flood exhibit, redesigned Nisenan exhibit, and exhibit for visitors to explore themes of the Gold Rush and Westward Expansion. Thanks to a \$383,183 multi-year award from the California Natural Resources Agency's Museum Grant Program, we can implement new family-friendly upgrades to these exhibit areas. And we are working to bring back another hands-on children's exhibit in summer of 2025 in partnership with the Sutter County Children & Families Commission.

We are so appreciative for the many ways that people generously support the Museum and continue to help us grow and continue the meaningful work that the Museum can do for the community. Whether you contributed financially, supported us through an annual membership, donated your time, offered in-kind goods or services, or partnered to offer events and exhibits, we thank you. Your support makes it possible to continue providing free and impactful educational opportunities to the Yuba-Sutter community.

Thank you, and we look forward to another wonderful year at the Museum!

Molly Bloom
Sutter County Museum Director and Curator



Community Impacts and Year at a Glance

The Museum accomplished a lot this past year! Several projects and upgrades were completed to support the Museum, and many ongoing projects continued. A handful of important highlights from the past year include:

Gwen Ford, our humanities and exhibit advisor for the *Black History of Yuba-Sutter* project, accepted a proclamation from the Sutter County Board of Supervisors to highlight Black history in the community.



64 volunteers contributed **3,332** hours to support the Sutter County Museum.

Offered over **125** educational public programs, field trips, and group visits, a **35%** increase from the previous year. These programs brought nearly **4,000** people to the Sutter County Museum.

Hosted **6** temporary exhibits on diverse topics. Exhibits were developed in collaboration with community partners, and several featured local artifacts from the Museum collection.

8,712 people visited the Sutter County Museum, a **6%** increase from the previous year.

Ettl Hall was used for **166** days, or **45%** of the year. **43** different renters from the public and **12** County Departments utilized Ettl Hall for events, meetings, and programs.

Began offering postcards of artworks in the Main Gallery as a fundraiser to bring income for commissioning additional original artworks by local artists. Fundraising from these postcards, Trees & Traditions, and Patio Pavers increased by **21%** this year.

Over **700** youth visited the Museum for educational field trips and group visits this past school year.

The community voted the Sutter County Museum the *Appeal-Democrat's* Best Museum/Art Gallery of Yuba-Sutter-Colusa 2023.

Trees & Traditions had a record year of fundraising with **\$32,605** in income to support the next year of free exhibits and educational programming.



PEO Chapter HA in front of *Her Side of the Story*.



Narinder Sufi started as the **Development Officer** for the Museum and Sutter County Library to manage our fundraising and membership efforts to continue bringing dynamic and educational services to the community.



During *Potter the Otter: A Healthy Adventure*, **3,128** children and adults visited the Museum, donations and Gift Shop sales increased, the Museum's Facebook page received over **1,000** new "likes," and dozens of people signed up for our monthly eNewsletter.

Supported local high school and college students with **3** paid seasonal internships to conduct research for the upcoming *Black History of Yuba-Sutter* exhibit, sponsored by California Humanities, and made significant progress to open the permanent exhibition later in 2024.



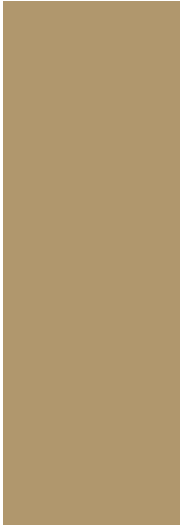
Provided substantial funding for the *Black History of Yuba-Sutter* exhibit, including support to **commission local artist** Louie Lethridge to paint original artworks on exhibit cases.

Published an updated *Sutter County Scenic Driving Tour* guidebook, now available in the Museum's Gift Shop, thanks to a sponsorship from Harkey House.

Began the exhibit design phase with Ralph Appelbaum Associates and Gizmo Art Production for the initial phases of developing a new permanent flood exhibit and upgrades to the Museum's exhibit areas on the Nisenan and Gold Rush. This multi-year project is supported by a grant award of **\$383,183** from the California Natural Resources Agency.

Upgraded the sound system in the Museum and Ettl Hall to **improve public programs** like Speaker Series and Kids' Movie Nights.

Daisy Beltran began a new role at the Museum as a part-time **Office Assistant** to provide substantial administrative and guest service support for the operation of Ettl Hall and the Museum.



Added changing tables to the restrooms to make the Museum more **family-friendly** with support from a Sutter County Children & Families Commission sponsorship.

Thanks to a grant subsidy, purchased an AED (automated external defibrillator) to improve **visitor safety**.



Educational Public Programs, Field Trips, and Group Visits

In FY23-24, we provided over **125** educational public programs, field trips, and group visits, a **35%** increase from the previous year. These programs brought nearly **4,000** people to the Sutter County Museum.

Examples of educational public programs this past year include:

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMMING



Fun Fridays in the Artisan Community Garden.

FUN FRIDAYS IN THE GARDEN

Open play with sensory, art, and nature activities from the Museum and many, many community partners.

FAMILY SOUP'S MORNINGS IN THE GARDEN

Monthly sensory learning for families of children with special needs.

STORYTIME WITH BLUE ZONES PROJECT YUBA-SUTTER

A healthy storytime with Potter the Otter and movement for children and families.



The Salmon Journey Workshop.

THE SALMON JOURNEY WORKSHOP

Facilitators Monica Farbiarz and Kristen Hein Strohm educated about the Yuba River ecosystem, helping kids learn more about the connection between nature and humans by honoring indigenous heritage.

HELP ME GROW

An opportunity for healthy living and learning in the community with Sutter County Children & Families Commission.



Kids' Movie Night.

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

Special seasonal activities, stories, cookies, and a visit with Santa.



The Museum served as the Swan Festival Kid's Zone.

KIDS' MOVIE NIGHT

Free pizza and a movie at the Museum, sponsored by Early Risers Kiwanis-Yuba City. This year, we screened *The Brave Little Toaster*, *Rio*, *Brave*, & *Pachamama*.

SWAN FESTIVAL

Fun bird-themed activities as the Kid's Zone for 2023's Swan Festival by the Sutter Buttes Regional Land Trust and sponsored by Sutter County Children & Families Commission.

RAPTOR FORCE

An engaging raptor show with West Coast Falconry's live birds of prey.



Raptor Force with West Coast Falconry.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS & ALL AGES



Speaker Series on the environmental history of Yuba-Sutter with David Rubiales.

SPEAKER SERIES

Lectures and presentations on a variety of topics, including the history of gas and electric in Yuba-Sutter; an environmental history of Yuba-Sutter; stories from Yuba-Sutter's Black community; the grief process of children & teens; and a meaningful Peace Pole dedication.



Dedication of a Peace Pole in honor of Rueben Boy Lopez.

BLACK HISTORY OF YUBA-SUTTER EXHIBIT OPEN HOUSE

Visitors shared stories and ideas about local Black history and learned more about the project from exhibit advisor Gwen Ford.



Etchi Haegle presents at the annual Day of Remembrance program.

FAMILY HISTORY WEEK OPEN HOUSE

Museum archives and our local FamilySearch center provided resources and information for people to conduct familial research.

HEROES & VICTIMS CONCERT WITH YUBA SUTTER ARTS & CULTURE

An exciting concert with local singer & songwriter Tom Galvin with original songs about important topics in Yuba-Sutter history.



Heroes & Victims concert with singer and songwriter Tom Galvin and his band.

DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF JAPANESE AMERICAN INTERNMENT

A moving program in partnership with the Japanese American Citizens League of Marysville where attendees learned about Etchi Haegle's family camp story and the Arboga Assembly Center with Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture.

TOMATO WORKSHOP WITH UCCE'S CALFRESH HEALTHY LIVING

Learning about harvesting, storing, preserving, and preparing tomatoes.

FIELD TRIPS & GROUP VISITS



Field trip with Marcum-Illinois Elementary School.

Educational school field trips and group visits for community organizations are provided free of charge with trained and experienced Museum educators. We saw a 70% increase in field trips and group visits to the Museum, and over 700 children in the community were served through elementary field trips and group visits this year.

"The presentation on the Japanese citizens during WWII was wonderful. Thank you!"

— Jane Miller

SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL CEREMONY

A presentation by Yuba City Fire and celebration of remembrance.



The 9-11 Memorial Ceremony with Yuba City Fire.

"Thank you very much for giving us a tour of the Sutter County Museum today... I like learning about other cultures besides mine. It's exciting looking into the past."

— Emery, Franklin Elementary School Student

Temporary Exhibits

We host four to six temporary exhibits each year that offer opportunities to appeal to new and diverse audiences in the community. The goals of temporary exhibits are to highlight the local history of the region, expand on topics already covered in our permanent exhibits, bring in new or contemporary topics, and/or help locate the history of this area in the broader context of California or U.S. history. These exhibits are rented traveling exhibitions, developed out of our collection of local history objects and photographs, or collaborations with guest curators or partner organizations.



Potter the Otter: A Healthy Adventure
June 10 – July 30, 2023

Based on the popular children’s book series *Potter the Otter*, published by First 5 Santa Clara County, this hands-on, interactive exhibit was developed especially for kids 5 and under and their families. Visitors explored at the market, cooked in the play kitchen, enjoyed goose races, and played in the crawlers’ garden in this interactive, STEAM-based experience. Thanks to local support from the Sutter County Children & Families Commission, kids played and learned on their very own healthy adventures!



The 2024 Sutter Buttes Calendar Exhibit
August 4 – August 24, 2023

The calendar is an annual publication and fundraiser of the Sutter Buttes Regional Land Trust. This exhibit celebrated and shared the work of photographers chosen for inclusion in the 2024 Sutter Buttes Calendar.



Gadgets Galore! Transforming the American Household
August 27 – November 19, 2023

Gadgets are an important part of our everyday lives, and they are often objects that we take for granted. Visitors took a closer look at historic household gadgets from the Sutter County Museum’s collection to consider how the gadgets of yesteryear informed our modern technology.



The graduation and exhibit reception for *Transitions: Art of the Sutter Health Children’s Bereavement Group*.

“[*The Transitions exhibit*] is so amazing, we can’t wait to come see my son’s and all the other kids’ work.”

— Maggie Page Tucker

“[Potter the Otter] is so cute, very well done. Our 18-month-old loved it! We will be going again!”

— Heather Sanders Modgling



Potter the Otter greets visitors at a storytime with Blue Zones Project Yuba Sutter. Photo courtesy of Sutter County Children & Families Commission.



Her Side of the Story: Tales of California Pioneer Women

January 16 – April 27, 2024

Illuminating the hardships, joys, and lives of female pioneers, this exhibit featured 30 first-person accounts collected from women who traveled by land or sea to settle throughout California prior to 1854. These personal memories, quotes, and photographs were showcased along with local objects from the Sutter County Museum collection representing the area’s pioneers.



Transitions: Art of the Sutter Health Children’s Bereavement Group

May 7 – June 9, 2024

Death is an inevitable part of life that is a difficult journey to experience. The Sutter Health Children’s Bereavement Group is a free community support group that is specially designed for children and teens to self-reflect and identify with peers who can support their journeys. This special exhibit featured art created by over 40 students participating in the free community support groups.



Away From Home: American Indian Boarding School Stories

June 18 – August 10, 2024

This exhibit examined an important and often unknown period of American history. Beginning in the 1870s and up until the 1930s, the U.S. government attempted to educate and assimilate American Indians into “civilized” society by placing children – of all ages, and from hundreds of diverse cultures – in distant boarding schools. Many were forcibly taken from their families and stripped of their cultures. Children often went years without family contact, and these events still have a lasting impact on Native communities today. This exhibition explored off-reservation boarding schools through a variety of voices with photographs, interviews, and objects.

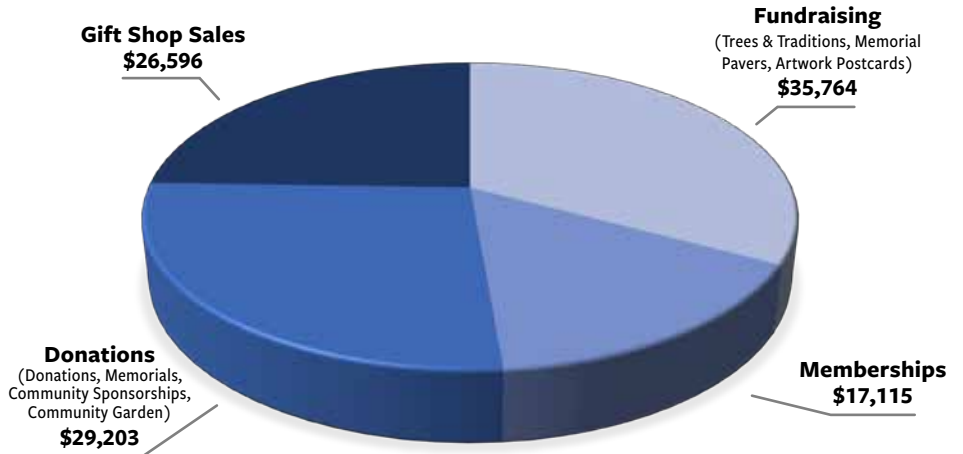
Financial Statement

The Sutter County Museum is a department of Sutter County with our own department budget. This includes employee salaries and benefits, utilities, building and grounds maintenance, insurance, and basic business expenses. Museum staff also operate Ettl Hall, a rental facility with a separate budget unit. Earned revenues from rental fees offset the costs for the upkeep of the space, such as building and equipment maintenance, utilities, and insurance.

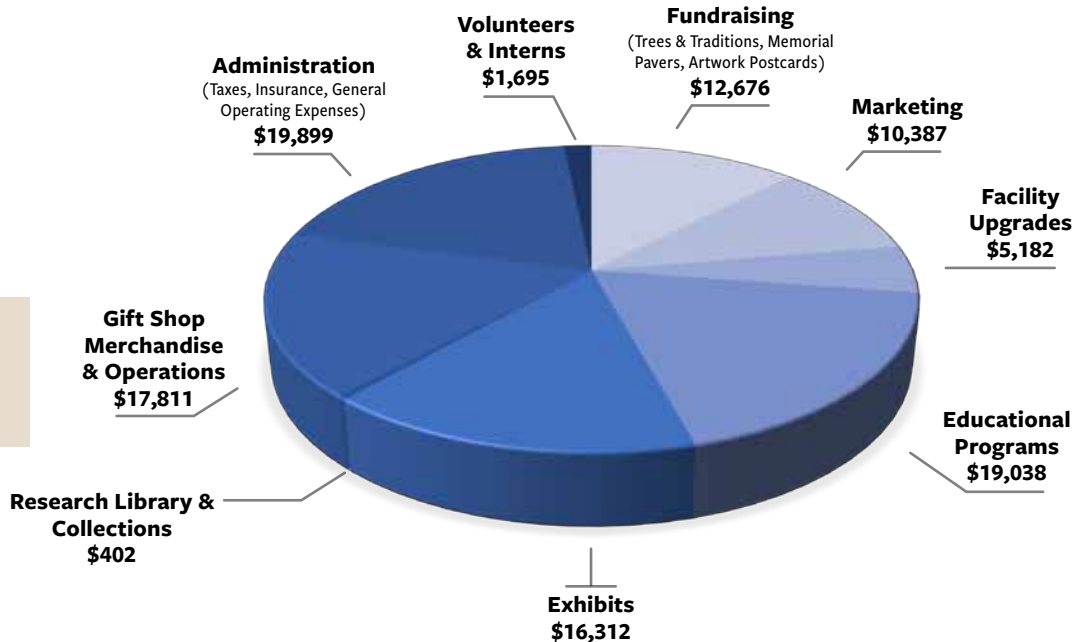
The 501(c)(3) nonprofit Museum Association also supports the Museum financially. This budget covers the costs for temporary and permanent exhibits, educational programs, public events, school and group tours, marketing, Gift Shop merchandise and operation, the Artisan Community Garden, and more.

This year, both Sutter County and the Museum Association invested in upgrades to significantly enhance the facilities. The County replaced the floors in Ettl Hall with high-quality flooring to support rental operations. The Museum Association upgraded the sound system in the Museum as well as Ettl Hall to improve audio components for lectures, movie nights, and other public programs. We purchased an AED with a grant subsidy to make the Museum safer for visitors. Thanks to a generous sponsorship from Sutter County Children & Families Commission, we added changing tables to the restrooms within the Museum to make the space more family-friendly to better support our youngest visitors.

INCOME
\$108,678



EXPENSES
\$103,402



GIFT SHOP

“If you haven’t visited the Museum’s little book and treasure store yet you are missing out! I loved the pioneer women’s display in April! It was wonderful!”

— Paula Scott

Dedication of the Sutter’s Hock Farm Monument, c. 1930.
Photo from the Sutter County Museum collection.



Students from Transitions Dance performed musical numbers from *The Nutcracker* ballet at Trees & Traditions.

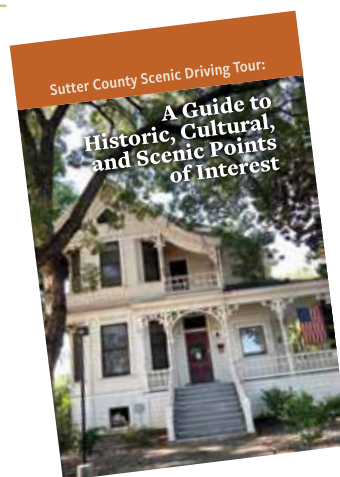
“That was the best field trip ever!”

— Lillie, Franklin Elementary School Student

LOUIE LETHRIDGE

“So proud to see Louie Lethridge recognized for his amazing talents! Thankful to have him in our town.”

— Paula Wainer Warren



SCENIC TOUR GUIDE

“I bought mine today! It’s marvelous! Thank you to the great team who created it!”

— Lynne Takahashi

Memberships

Our members are vital to the success of the Museum. The funds raised from the membership program help us to properly care for our collection, bring in traveling exhibits, and provide free educational programs. Members receive benefits including the *Bulletin* publication on local history, discounts in the Museum Gift Shop, invitations to openings, and more.

We thank all of our members who purchased new memberships or renewed their existing memberships during Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Our Members

Vicki Allbright	John Crowhurst	John Heenan
Mary Allen	Marnee Crowhurst	Kimberly Heisch
Allen County Public Library	Lou Anne Cummings	Louise Hering
Marsha Amaro	Roland and Roberta D'Arcy	Allen and Kathe Herr
American Association of University Women	Francisco and Rosey Damboriena	Diane Hilbert
Carol Anderson-Clark and Stephen Clark	David and Sandy Davini	John and Linda Houston
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Gwyn Baker	Janice Deaton	Helen Jackson
Linda Baker	Michael Dockrey	Stephanie Jauron
Bancroft Library Acquisitions	Sarah Donighi	Greg Johnson
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Randy and Tracy Baucom	Teeann Duncan	Maryann and Robert Just
Tim and Linda Beilby	Marilyn Elliott	Steve, Patricia, and Gretchen Justus
Kara and Michael Bell	Marge and Bob Engen	Laura Keber
Mitchell Bloom	Steve Erfle	Aryn Kent
Molly Bloom and Nick Lashway	Jessica Erickson	Diane Ketelle
Paul Boehmke	Terry Farmer	Joann King
Carol Bordeaux	Virginia Filter	Wade Kirchner and Lisa Buschmann-Kirchner
Audrey Breeding	Anne Fletcher and Bob Laycock	Marilyn Kirby
Noydena Brix	Susanna Ford	Steve and Marie Kroeger
Logan Brooks	Jill Frausto	Tony and Joan Kurlan
James Brosman	David and Judi Freiler	Kevin Lee
Terri Burroughs	Carmen Frye	Debra and Ned Lemenager
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Connie Cary	Marika Garcia and Christopher Holmes	Scott Leone
Dianna Ceballos	Kelly Gash	Lois Licari
Sue Cejner-Moyers	David and Jennifer Giampaoli	Donna and Michael Long
Abbie Cesena and David Read	Nancy Gilmore	Tito Luna
Elease Chaussee	Laura Goble	Randie and Doug Marr
Ann Chellis	Barbara Goldman and Steve Bloom	Kay and Larry Matsumura
Ann and Michael Chesini	Kathy Goodnight	Meriam Library Acquisitions
Jeanette Christopherson	Joe and Nancy Goss	Virginia and James McElroy
Dorothy Clark	Jennifer Graf	Donna and Barry McMaster
Lesley Clarkson	Jessica Graf	Laverne and Maria McPherrin
Robert and Shari Coats	Sarah Graf and Alan Bloom	Judy and Wayne Meyer
Celeste Cobeen	Eric Gruenthal	Susan Burky Micheli
Gratia Cobeen	Judy Hale	Amber and Zach Milner
Kay and Ross Cockrell	Deborah Hall	Nadine Mitchum
Nance Contreras	Scott and Barbara Hankins	Amanda Moore
Babs Cotter	Libby Haraughty	Patricia Moore
Dealla Crother	N. Dwayne Haynes	Suzanne and William Nakashima

Mary Ann and Robert Nation
 Mary Lou Naughton
 Andrew Neubauer
 Joann Nixon
 Thea and Carl Norum
 James and Jenette Ochsner
 Jerry Paine
 Jo Parker
 Drisel Perez
 Jan Madden Perry
 Jana Pettengill
 Susan Polhemus
 Kristi Powell
 Inger Price
 Lee Roy and Sarah Pryor
 Debrah and Mike Reid
 Linden Reynolds
 Steven Richardson and Doris Jane Miller
 Gary Ries
 Julian and Nancy Rolufs
 David Rubiales
 Merlyn Rudge
 Margit Sands
 Sharon Sawtelle

Rita Schmidl
 John and Judy Schnabel
 Randolph and Barbara Schnabel
 Carrie Schroeder
 Jeanne Schultz
 Michael Schuster and Ruth Mikkelsen
 Bonnie Scriven
 Tyrone Shaeffer
 Kathleen Shannon
 Tom and Barbara Silver
 Sharyl Simmons
 Elizabeth Skelly
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 Gabriela Wackerli
 Janice Wallace
 Jane Wheeler
 Ron and Patti Whisenhunt
 Dale and Danarae Whitmore
 Jerry and Patricia Whitten
 Jolyne Williams
 Kayleen Willoughby
 Dennis Wilson
 Carol and Roger Withington
 Lorene and Wyman Wong
 Art and Dee Worledge
 Joan Young
 Robert Zirzow

Business Memberships

The Museum’s membership program provides opportunities for businesses to support the Museum Association and receive benefits that reinforce their unique needs. Business Membership benefits include advertisements in the *Bulletin* publication, listings on the website, Gift Shop discounts, and more.

Our Business Members

Calpine
 Fletcher’s Plumbing & Contracting
 Friends for the Preservation of Yuba County History
 Highlands Community Charter and Technical Schools
 Middle Mountain Interpretive Hikes
 Sutter Buttes Business Services
 Ullrey Memorial Chapel
 Westside Spreading

“Stop by the Museum, get a copy... I love the Bulletin! I refer back to them as often as I can, real stories of our pioneer families who settled here look ago.”

— Judy Mann

Sacramento River at Meridian. Photo from the Sutter County Museum collection.



Annual Giving and Donations

We rely on annual gifts, both large and small, to help us provide free educational programs and exhibits. Donations of up to \$100 total more than \$11,500 in support of the Museum, or approximately 18% of all gifts received. Our vast and supportive community truly make our services possible. Thank you to the many individuals, families, and organizations who supported the Museum Association through donations, fundraisers, in-kind goods or services, donations to our research library and collections, and honorific and memorial gifts.

Up to \$50

M. E. Anderson
 Gayle Barkhouse
 Jim and Noby Barringer
 Michael Wayne Baumann
 Carol Bordeaux
 Keith Bordsen
 Kathy Cahouette
 Manny Cardoza
 Amrik Singh Chattha
 Jeanette Christopherson
 Francis Coats
 Janet Day
 Delta Kappa Gamma
 Heather Esemann
 Dan and Tonya Flores
 Neil Gibbs
 Kathy Goodnight
 Joe and Nancy Goss
 Mike Griffin
 Shon Harris
 Virginia Harter
 Karen Henderson
 Kim Herman
 Patricia and Steve Justus
 Phuong Luu
 Emin Nabiyev
 Suzanne and William Nakashima
 Mike Pasquale
 Susan Polhemus
 Laurissa Poma-Sweet
 Steven Richardson and Doris Jane Miller
 Mary Riley
 Kirk and Judi Romain
 David Rubiales
 Merlyn Rudge
 Tyrone Shaeffer
 Kimberly Skinner
 Lillian Steele
 Charn Tamber
 David and Gina Tarke
 Shari Tucker
 Nancy Vierra
 Brad Willoughby

\$51 - \$100

Nancy Aaberg
 Michael Andrews
 Tom Barkhouse
 Ruth Bowman
 Rupinder Brar
 Logan Brooks
 Ronald Chan
 Sami Chizek
 Stephen and Carol Clark
 Celeste Cobeen
 Roland and Roberta D'Arcy
 Cecil and Shirley Davis
 Ayla and Christopher Elkins
 Family SOUP
 Tom and Gay Galvin
 Kelly Gash
 Randy Gaven
 Girl Scouts
 David and Julie Goldwyn
 Eric Gruenthal
 Jennifer Harris
 Diane Hilbert
 J. P. and Fran Hill
 David and Tonna Holycross
 Peter and Cindy Jelavich
 Brian and Laura Jenkins
 Donna and Mike Johnston
 Mark and Susan Kochi
 Steve and Marie Kroeger
 Lois Licari
 Leanne and John Link
 Linda Lomeli
 Donna and Michael Long
 Diana McHugh
 Laverne and Maria McPherrin
 Susan Burky Micheli
 Nadine Mitchum
 Sandra and Bob Morrish
 Jan Madden Perry
 Precision Tinting
 Lee Roy and Sarah Pryor
 Megan and Eric Rolufs
 Randolph and Barbara Schnabel

Michael Schuster and Ruth Mikkelsen
 Dave Shaw
 Sharyl Simmons
 Steve and Shawna Smith
 Tracy Smith
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 Robert and Jenna Summa
 Patricia Swan
 Stuart Swiedler
 Melvina and David Tarr
 Eric and Leticia Vodden
 Diane and Andy Warnock
 Belton Williamson

\$101 - \$200

Mary Awbrey
 Linda Baker
 Molly Bloom and Nick Lashway
 Ray and Karen Brooks
 Carolyn Brown
 Dianna Ceballos
 County of Sutter
 Marnee Crowhurst
 Amanda Davis
 Davis Machine Shop
 Randolph Deas
 Dennis and Rochelle deBrito
 Marika Garcia and Christopher Holmes
 David and Jennifer Giampaoli
 Laura Goble
 Camille and Del Heffley
 Melody and David Huchingson
 Japanese American Citizens League
 of Marysville
 Diane Ketelle
 Marilyn Kirby
 Tony and Joan Kurlan
 Nicki and Ken Lura
 Monique and Daniel Milner
 Jane Picotte
 Diane Putman
 David and Olivia Rai
 Debrah and Mike Reid
 Chuck Smith and Linda Plummer

Cynthia Struckmeyer
 Gary Taxera
 Barbara C. Ward
 Jolyne Williams
 Martha and Milton Woods
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\$201 - \$450

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Our volunteer program is vital to the success of the Museum. We rely on volunteers to staff our front desk, answer the phone, make sales of memberships and Gift Shop merchandise, orient visitors to the Museum, and create a positive visitor experience. They also work on a variety of special projects including assisting with indexing historical material in our collections, research, helping with exhibit development, running educational public programs, and maintaining the Artisan Community Garden.

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