

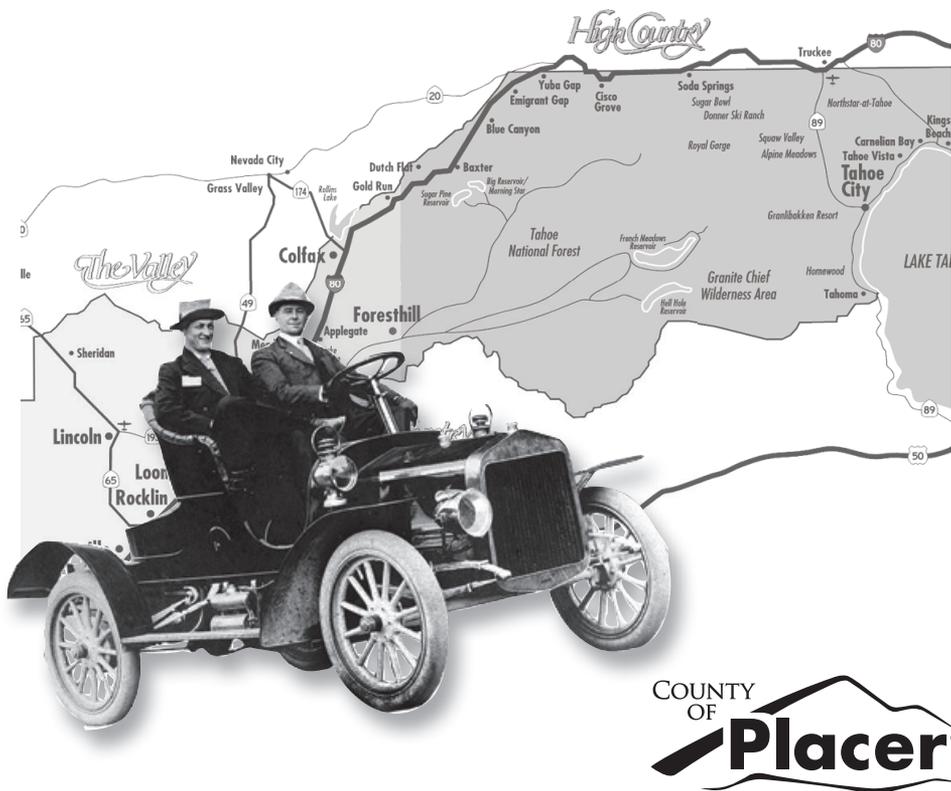
# THE HERITAGE TRAIL

Tour of Museums in Placer County

## TRAIL CALENDAR

Summer Long Adventure 2016

24 Museums • Roseville to Tahoe!



# WELCOME TRAIL TRAVELERS!

We are glad you decided to join us on the 2016 Heritage Trail Museums Tour. This is the 9th year for the event and 24 museums from Roseville to Tahoe are opening their doors free of charge for certain days throughout the summer. All 24 museums are committed to showcasing history in a fun and entertaining way. For many Trail Travelers, this event has become a family tradition. This year we are forging ahead with a big change. This year instead of all museums open for one weekend in August, geographic clusters of museums will have their Heritage Trail Day on certain Saturdays throughout the summer. This way you have the whole summer to visit participating museums.

If you can't make it on their Heritage Trail day, you can visit them during their regular hours of operation and still get your Get-Up-And-Go cards stamped! All museums have free admission on their Heritage Trail day (see calendar below). If you visit them on any other day, you will have to pay admission/parking if applicable.

Whether you are from Auburn, Reno, San Francisco, or Boston, you will enjoy this opportunity to take a trip back in time and get a better understanding of Placer County's rich and colorful history. Each museum on the tour is unique. Aside from immersing yourselves in history, you will enjoy the variety of settings at each museum.

Most museums have restroom facilities available. Look for the symbols in the museum's description.

Please read the calendar on the following pages.  
For more information, please check out our website:  
[www.theheritagetrail.blogspot.com](http://www.theheritagetrail.blogspot.com)

Thanks again for joining us. We hope you have a great time!  
Ralph Gibson  
*Placer County Museums Administrator*  
*Chairperson, The Heritage Trail*

## TRAIL TIPS

### **THE FOLLOWING TRAIL TIPS WILL HELP YOU PLAN YOUR ADVENTURE.**

- For questions about The Heritage Trail, please call 530-889-6500.
- Eating, drinking and smoking are not permitted in the museums.
- Leave pets at home.
- You'll want to bring your camera. Inquire at each museum for flash photography guidelines.
- Be sure to pick up your FREE Get Up & Go card at the first museum you visit.
- If you can't make it to a museum on their Heritage Trail Day, please visit them during regular hours of operation.
- This year it will take 16 stamps on your Get-Up-And-Go card to qualify for a gift basket drawing.

***Enjoy the Trail!***

# HERITAGE TRAIL 2016 CALENDAR

## June 11th

### 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

#### **Roseville Historical Society Carnegie Museum**

557 Lincoln St., Roseville | 916-773-3003  
[www.rosevillehistorical.org](http://www.rosevillehistorical.org)

The Roseville Historical Society's Carnegie Museum is filled with artifacts of Roseville's past! We highlight our train display, a massive "N" gauge model railroad depicting Roseville's Old Town and peeks into our turn-of-the-century past. This year we are also featuring our pioneer Fiddymment family, their story, beginning with matriarch Elizabeth Jane, and how the family depicted the days when our area was all about the land and its resources. *Normal Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday 12:00- 4:00 (Closed for renovation July 1 through Summer)*

#### **Roseville Fire Museum**

400 Lincoln St., Roseville | 916-538-1809  
[www.rosevillefiremuseum.org](http://www.rosevillefiremuseum.org)

Artifacts, photographs, videos – Beginning at 10:00 am they will provide a tour every hour on the hour. Last tour at 3:00 pm. *Normal hours of operation: The museum is not yet open and is still being constructed.*

## June 18th

### 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

#### **Bernhard Museum**

291 Auburn Folsom Rd., Auburn | 530-889-6500  
[www.placer.ca.gov/museums](http://www.placer.ca.gov/museums)

Living History activities, pie baking contest, watermelon seed spitting contest, wagons restored by the Native Sons of the Golden West Parlor #59, museum tours, and Bonitata Boutique Wines will have a selection available for tasting after 12:00 pm.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Tuesday–Sunday 11:00-4:00*

#### **Benton Welty School Room**

1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn | 530-906-0712  
[www.placercountyhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.placercountyhistoricalsociety.org)

Auburn Grammar School, built in 1915 (now Auburn City Hall), listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Get a rare sense of old school days in a classroom packed with photos, scrapbooks, maps and old school books. Try your hand at string games and penmanship. Enter the free "just for kids" basket drawing.

Ample parking behind building.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Open by appointment only.*

#### **Gold Rush Museum**

601 Lincoln Way, Auburn | 530-889-6500  
[www.placer.ca.gov/museums](http://www.placer.ca.gov/museums)

Pan for gold with the Motherlode Gold Hounds, tour museum which includes a replica mining tunnel, gold rush era artifacts and play an interactive Gold Rush game.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Saturdays and Sundays 10:30 – 4:00*

## July 9th

### 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

#### **Maidu Museum and Historic Site**

1970 Johnson Ranch Dr., Roseville  
916-774-5934 | [www.roseville.ca.us/indianmuseum](http://www.roseville.ca.us/indianmuseum)

Explore site where Valley Nisenan Maidu Indians lived for thousands of years; discover native plants and over 400 bedrock-grinding holes; experience unique and rare sandstone petroglyphs; hand-on children's activities, guided tours at 10:00 and 1:00, and an indigenous art gallery. Gift Shop offers a wide selection of books about Native Californians, handmade jewelry, minerals, arrowheads and snacks & drinks.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 9:00-4:00, and Saturday 9:00-1:00*

#### **Roseville Telephone Museum**

106 Vernon St., Roseville | 916-786-1621  
[www.consolidated.com/museum](http://www.consolidated.com/museum)

The Roseville Telephone Museum has one of the most extensive collections of antique telephones and memorabilia in the nation. The exhibits in the 4,500 square-foot museum chronicle and celebrate more than a century of communications technology in Roseville as well as nationally and internationally. A visit to the Roseville Telephone Museum makes a fun and educational family outing, a great school field trip or a group sight-seeing tour destination. Our museum docents are current and retired employees who are passionate about telephone history and volunteer their time to share it with visitors of all ages. Presented by Consolidated Communications, this museum offers not only rare telephones, but also a demonstration of an early switchboard.

*Normal Hours of Operation:*

*By appointment only.*

### **Roseville Public Library**

225 Taylor St., Roseville | 916-774-5221  
[www.roseville.ca.us/library](http://www.roseville.ca.us/library)

This library has a Local History Collection stocked with historic records, newspapers on microfilm, photographs and history books. Historic exhibits on display in the library thru the summer. Guided tours (offered by the Roseville Historical Society) of the Vernon Street Corridor at 11:00, 1:00 and 3:00 on July 9th only.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Mon-Wed 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and Thurs-Sat 10:00 am – 5:00 pm*

## **July 16th**

### **10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

#### **Placer County Museum (Historic Courthouse)**

101 Maple St., Auburn | 530-889-6500  
[www.placer.ca.gov/museums](http://www.placer.ca.gov/museums)

Overview of Placer County history, Pate Collection of American Indian Artifacts, gold collection, restored Sheriff's Office, Women's Jail with Alma Bell, Placer County authors table and the Placer County Genealogical Society will offer guidance on family history research.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Daily 10:00-4:00*

#### **Gold Country Medical History Museum**

219-100 Maple St., Auburn | 530-906-9822  
[www.goldcountrymedicalmuseum.com](http://www.goldcountrymedicalmuseum.com)

Restored Victorian building is on the site of the original Placer County hospital. See medical, dental and nursing implements, equipment, furnishings, pharmaceuticals, ephemera, and a collection of "quackery". They offer demonstrations of quackery, tours and interpretation of artifacts.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Sat & Sun 10:00-3:00, spring thru fall.*

#### **Auburn Joss House Chinese Museum**

200 Sacramento St., Auburn | 530-346-7121  
View original Joss House Altar (c. 1880)

and artifacts from the early Auburn Chinese community. The Joss House was a Chinese school, Ling Ying Association meeting place and a hostel for transient Chinese primarily from the mid-1920s to the late 1960s.

*Open 1st Saturday of the month, 10:00-3:00*

## **July 23rd**

### **10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

#### **Gatekeepers Museum**

130 West Lake Blvd., Tahoe City | 530-583-1762  
[www.northtaoemuseums.org](http://www.northtaoemuseums.org)

View the Marion Steinbach Indian Basket Collection and exhibits on Tahoe history; join a 10:00 am walking tour of Tahoe City and experience an old west gunfight on the grounds.  
*Normal Hours of Operation: Daily 10:00-5:00*

#### **Watson Cabin**

560 North Lake Blvd., Tahoe City | 530-583-1762  
[www.northtaoemuseums.org](http://www.northtaoemuseums.org)

Built in 1909 by Robert Watson as a wedding present for his son, the Watson Cabin is the oldest building constructed onsite in Tahoe City and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. View pioneer artifacts from early Tahoe with docent-led tours.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Open by appointment only.*

#### **The Museum of Sierra Ski History and the 1960 Winter Olympics**

760 North Lake Blvd., Tahoe City  
[www.tahoemuseum.org](http://www.tahoemuseum.org)

Learn the history of skiing in the Sierra and the history of the 1960 Winter Olympic Games through artifacts, photographs and ephemera. Dozens of never before seen artifacts from the Batiste Family Collection are also on display as well as artifacts from the 10th Mountain Division (World War II).

*Normal hours of operation:  
Open Daily 11:00 – 6:00*

## **August 6th**

#### **Griffith Quarry Museum**

### **8:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Corner of Taylor and Rock Springs Roads, Penryn | 530-889-6500

[www.placer.ca.gov/museums](http://www.placer.ca.gov/museums)

View exhibits on granite quarrying, the Penryn Granite Works business, the history of Penryn and the Griffith Family. Hands-on exhibits and tours of the Quarry Park (8:00 and 8:30).

*Normal Hours of Operation: Saturday and Sunday 12:00-4:00*

#### **Rocklin History Museum**

### **10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

3895 Rocklin Rd., Rocklin | 916-624-3464  
[www.rocklinhistory.org](http://www.rocklinhistory.org)

View exhibits on Rocklin pioneers, buildings and granite quarrying plus extensive photographs and interpretation of J.P. Whitney and his land holdings. Roy Ruhkala will demonstrate granite splitting at 11:00 am.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday 1:00-4:00*

## August 13th

**10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

### **Colfax Area Heritage Museum**

99 Railroad St., Colfax | 530-346-8599

[www.colfaxhistory.org](http://www.colfaxhistory.org)

View exhibits on the history of the railroad, gold mining, fruit ranching, pioneer life as well as the Maidu Indians and the Chinese. Live music by the Begin Family as well as a gold mining display and demonstration.

*Normal Hours of Operation: 10:00-3:00 Daily*

### **Golden Drift Museum**

32820 Main St., Dutch Flat | 530-389-2126

[www.placer.ca.gov/museums](http://www.placer.ca.gov/museums)

Visit the best preserved Gold Rush town in Placer County. View exhibits on nearby towns, gold mining, the railroad, the Towle Lumber Company, the Maidu Indians, and the Chinese.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Memorial Day-September: Friday – Sunday 12:00-4:00*

### **Donner Summit Historical Society Museum**

21501 Donner Pass Rd., Norden | 530-308-9668

[www.donnersummithistoricalsociety.org](http://www.donnersummithistoricalsociety.org)

Donner Summit is the richest historical area in California: first wagon trains, first transcontinental railroad, highway telephone line and air route. On Saturday and Sunday they will offer tours to Roller Pass. Take Old 40 to Donner Summit. Across from Donner Ski Ranch is Sugar Bowl Rd. Take the first left, Old Donner Summit Rd. Drive up to the parking area. If that area is full keep going, take the sharp left and park along the road or further up. The trailhead is at the sharp bend in the road where the porta potty is. Bring Hat, good shoes, sunscreen, water, camera, curiosity. The walk will cover a lot of stories from Chinese railroad workers, the Emigrant Trail, Theodore Judah, the Lincoln Highway, the source of the mighty Yuba River, Charlie Chaplin's film "Gold Rush", and many, many more. Meet at 9:30 am either day.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Saturday and Sunday 10:00-4:00*

## August 14th

**10:00 am**

### **Roller Pass Hike (Donner Summit Historical Society)**

See entry above for details.

## August 20th

**10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

### **Lincoln Area Archives Museum**

640 Fifth St., Lincoln | 916-645-3800

[www.laamca.org](http://www.laamca.org)

View Nisenan artifacts, Gladding McBean & Co. photographs, a gold scale from the Van Trent Mine, military uniforms and artifacts and Chinese baskets. Also on display are a restored buggy and a grain scale from the local Walter Jansen & Son. Enjoy an on-going wood burning stove cooking demonstration and enter a prize drawing for books written by local historian Jerry Logan. Beverages and cookies available.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Tuesday through Friday 11:00-3:00 and the 1st Saturday of each month 11:00-3:00.*

### **Fruitvale School**

3425 Fruitvale Rd., Lincoln | 916-769-7959

[www.oldfruitvaleschool.org](http://www.oldfruitvaleschool.org)

Witness the education that farm children received 100 years ago in a one room school house in rural Lincoln. Experience hands-on Living History activities and be sure to bring your picnic basket and enjoy lunch on the grounds!

*Normal Hours of Operation: Open by appointment only.*

## August 27th

**8:00 am – Noon**

### **Sierra College Natural History Museum**

5000 Rocklin Rd., Rocklin | 916-660-7923

[www.sierracollege.edu/about-us/beyond-the-classroom/nat-hist-museum/](http://www.sierracollege.edu/about-us/beyond-the-classroom/nat-hist-museum/)

Enjoy exhibits on contemporary nature in our region as well as fossils of life that lived millions of years ago.

*Normal Hours of Operation: Open when school is in session; Mon-Thurs. 7:00 am – 9:00 pm, Fridays 7:00 am – 5:00 pm, and Saturdays 8:00 am – noon.*

## September 2nd

**4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

### **DeWitt History Museum**

2985 Richardson Dr., Auburn | 530-889-6500  
www.placer.ca.gov/museums

View exhibits on the history of the DeWitt Government Center from its inception as a World War II Army Hospital, its use as a State Mental Hospital and finally its use as a Placer County Government Center. Displays will also cover the early history of the area from Nisenan Maidu Indians to early mining and ranching. This will be the public first peek at a museum that will open later in the year.

*Normal Hours of Operation: This museum is not yet open.*

## September 3rd & 4th

**10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

### **Forest Hill Divide Museum**

24601 Harrison St., Foresthill | 530-367-3988  
www.placer.ca.gov/museums

Watch blacksmiths craft period tools, view exhibits on mining, Native American Heritage, the lumber industry, fires & firefighting and life in the Victorian era. Hands-on activities for kids, re-enactments, craft and food booths, gold panning demonstrations, and visitors can watch the State and National Gold Panning championships. They are combining the Heritage Trail with their annual Heritage Festival. *Memorial Day - Labor Day Saturday and Sunday 12:00-4:00*

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## Get-Up-And-Go Cards

You can pick-up your Get-Up-And-Go cards at the first Heritage Trail Day (June 11th) from either the Roseville Historical Society Carnegie Museum or the Roseville Fire Museum. After that day, you can pick up Get-Up-And-Go cards from any participating museum.

You can pick up cards and get them stamped on any day the museum is open throughout the summer. This year, it will take 16 stamps on your card to enter the drawing for a gift basket, but once you turn in a fully stamped card you're already a winner. You will immediately get access to a website with 50 historic Placer County images you can download and a Heritage Trail silicon wristband.

Please remember that you can only play one Get-Up-And-Go card at a time. You are free to start another card once you have turned in a fully stamped card.

# Museum Calendar of Summer Events Outside of Heritage Trail

## **January – November Night Out at the Museum**

Maidu Museum and Historic Site - Every third Saturday enjoy an evening of cultural events at the Maidu Museum & Historic Site. Museum doors open at 6:30pm. Programs start at 7pm. Light refreshments will be available. FREE event. (6:30 pm – 8:30 pm)

## **April – October Campfires**

Maidu Museum and Historic Site – Every third Friday sit under the stars at our outdoor amphitheater to enjoy native stories around the campfire. Program starts at 7:30pm. \$5 per person, \$16 family of four, under 2 are FREE. For more information call 916-774-5934. (7:00 pm – 8:30 pm)

## **June – August Archery Camps and Classes**

Maidu Museum and Historic Site  
Pre-registration is required. Register by phone (916) 772-PLAY. For more information call 916-774-5934.

## **June 5 – Watson Cabin Clean-Up Day**

Join us for a spring cleaning day to prepare Watson Cabin for the summer. (10:00 am – 4:00 pm)

## **June 10 – Sept 5 Exhibit: Lake of the Sky**

Images: The Photographs of Harold A. Parker – At the Gatekeeper's Museum.

## **June 14 – Volunteer Kick-off Brunch**

Join us for the Volunteer welcome and orientation day at the Gatekeeper's Museum. Meet and greet other volunteers and learn about our volunteer opportunities. Please RSVP by June 10. (11:00 am – 1:00 pm)

## **June 18 – Exhibit Opening Reception**

Telling Stories: Through the Eyes of the Indigenous Printmaker - Maidu Museum and Historic Site – Exhibit Show runs from June 18 – September 7. For more information call 916-774-5934. (6:30 pm – 8:30 pm)

## **June 26 – Digitization Day**

This one-day event invites community members and visitors to bring in their historical Lake Tahoe photographs and images for free professional-quality scanning, with the option to donate a digital copy for inclusion in the NLTHS's database. Contribute to the shared visual history of Lake Tahoe. At the Gatekeeper's Museum (10:00 am – 4:00 pm)

## **June 27-July 1 – Nuts About Nature Camp**

Maidu Museum and Historic Site  
Pre-registration is required. Register on-line [www.rosevilleparks.com](http://www.rosevilleparks.com) or by phone (916) 772-PLAY. For more information call 916-774-5934 (9:00 am – Noon).

## **June 28 – Lecture: Unique 19th Century**

Tahoe Glass - A look at some unique glass objects used by both residents and industry in the Tahoe Basin in the latter half of the 19th century. Free and open to the public at Gatekeeper's Museum (4:00 pm)

## **June 30 – Watson Cabin opens for the summer**

## **July 6 Mark McLaughlin Lecture and Book Signing**

An illustrated presentation about McLaughlin's newest book, "SNOWBOUND! Legendary Winters of the Tahoe Sierra". SNOWBOUND! profiles the Top 10 biggest winters since 1879. Free and open to the public at the Gatekeeper's Museum (5:00 pm)

## **July 21 – Lecture and Book Signing with Gary Noy**

Sierra Nevada Native and author of Sierra Stories: Tales of Dreamers, Schemers, and Bigots, Gary Noy will discuss his upcoming book: Gold Rush Stories about the wining and dining during the California Gold Rush. Gatekeeper's Museum. Free and open to the public (4:00 pm)

## **July 25-29 – Ancient Art Rocks! Camp**

Maidu Museum and Historic Site  
Pre-registration is required. Register on-line [www.rosevilleparks.com](http://www.rosevilleparks.com) or by phone (916) 772-PLAY. For more information call 916-774-5934. (9:00 am – Noon)

## **August 2 – Sept. 8 – Volunteer Guide Training**

Maidu Museum and Historic Site - For more information call 916-774-5934. (9:30 am – 12:30 pm)

## **August 5 – Historic Bus Tour with Mark McLaughlin**

The 2016 Historic Bus Tour includes a visit to Truckee's historic town jail; the Donner Memorial State Park tour includes an interpretive walk and visit to the new Visitors Center; Last, travel historic Donner Pass Road along Donner Lake, up to Rainbow Bridge and the transcontinental

railroad tunnels. Tour includes easy walking. Recommended: comfortable walking shoes, hat, sunscreen, water and camera. Picnic lunch is included. \$ Call 530-583-1762 for more information.

## **August 11 – 43rd Annual Home Tour**

Join us for our annual tour of unique and historic Tahoe homes. This year features houses in Squaw Valley. \$ Call 530-583-1762 for more information.

## **August 15 – History Hike Fallen Leaf Lake**

Hike includes the north and east shores of the Lake, discussion of some of the unique personalities who spent time living there, and a visit to the Anita Baldwin estate ruins. Meet Gatekeeper's Museum parking lot at 9am. 9:15am sharp departure. Recommended: bag lunch, water, camera, sunscreen, good hiking shoes. \$ Call 530-583-1762 for more information.

## **September 11 – Watson Cabin closes for the season**

# **THANK YOU**

**County of Placer, Consolidated Communications, Native Sons of the Golden West, and Wave Broadband**



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