

Museums



Agricultural History Project (AHP) Museum

2601 East Lake Avenue, Watsonville, Phone/Fax: 831.724.5898

Museum, exhibits, and equipment representing history of agriculture on the Central Coast. Activities for children. Open Thurs. - Sun., noon - 4 pm and by special arrangement.

www.ahistoryproject.org

Aptos History Museum

7605-B Old Dominion Court, Aptos, Phone: 831.688.9514, Fax: 831.688.6961

A collection of artifacts and photographs depicting the history of Aptos, from the Native American Indians to the earthquake. Open daily, 10 am - 4 pm.

Capitola Historical Museum

410 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, Phone: 831.464.0322

Offers changing exhibits on the history of the oldest resort on the Pacific Coast & depicts summer resort life in 1910. Open Wed., Fri. - Sun. 12 - 4 pm.

www.capitolamuseum.org

Evergreen Historical Cemetery

Evergreen and Coral Streets, Santa Cruz, Phone: 831.429.1964

A state point of interest established in 1850 as one of the first Protestant cemeteries in California. Open sunrise to sunset. Tours by request.

www.santacruzmah.org

Mission Santa Cruz

130 Emmet Street, Santa Cruz, Phone: 831.426.5686

Mission Santa Cruz remains a living testament to the interplay between California's rich Spanish & Native American heritage. Open Tue. - Sat. 10 am - 4 pm, Sun. 10 am - 2 pm.

www.geocities.com/athens/aegean/7151

Pajaro Valley Historical Association

332 E. Beach St., Watsonville, Phone: 831.722.0305, Fax: 831.722.5501

Exhibits and archives pertaining to Watsonville and the Pajaro Valley. Open Tue. - Thu. 11 am - 3 pm. Research by appointment.

www.pajarovalleyhistory.org

San Lorenzo Valley Museum

12547 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, Phone: 831.338.8382

Displays of early San Lorenzo Valley life, featuring logging, railroads, early schoolroom & interactive maps and photos. Open Wed., Fri. - Sun., noon - 4 pm.

www.slvmuseum.com

Santa Cruz Mission State Historic Park

144 School Street, Santa Cruz, Phone: 831.425.5849

The oldest building in Santa Cruz County and the only remaining building of the original Mission Santa Cruz, offers a museum. Open Thu. - Sun. 10 am - 4 pm.

www.santacruzstateparks.org

Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History

1305 East Cliff Dr., Santa Cruz, Phone: 831.420.6115, Fax: 831.420.6451

Exhibits on native peoples, geology and local wildlife. Family fun! Tidepool touch tank, live beehive and life-size whale. Open Tue. - Sun., 10 am - 5 pm.

www.santacruz museums.org

Santa Cruz Surfing Museum

Mark Abbott Memorial Lighthouse - West Cliff Dr., Santa Cruz

Phone: 831.420.6289, Fax: 831.420.6451

This unique little museum's exhibits chronicle over 100 years of local surfing history. Winter: Thurs. - Mon. 12 - 4 pm; Summer: Wed. - Mon. 10 am - 5 pm.

www.santacruzsurfingmuseum.org

Seymour Marine Discovery Center at Long Marine Lab

End of Delaware Avenue on the westside, Santa Cruz

Phone: 831.459.3800, Fax: 831.459.1221

Exhibits, aquarium, the world's largest blue whale skeleton, touch tank, Ocean Discovery Shop, unsurpassed vistas. Open Tue. - Sat. 10 am - 5 pm, Sun. noon - 5 pm. Closed Mondays. See Ad pg. 30.

<http://seymourcenter.ucsc.edu>

The Museum of Art & History at the McPherson Center

705 Front Street, Santa Cruz, Phone: 831.429.1964, Fax: 831.429.1954

Features changing exhibitions of contemporary art and Santa Cruz history. Docent-led tours, lectures, family activities. Open Tue. - Sun. 11 am - 5 pm.

www.santacruzmah.org

Wetlands of Watsonville Nature Center

30 Harkins Slough Road, Watsonville

Phone: 831.768.1622, Fax: 831.768.1622

Offers exhibits on wetlands animals & history, family activities, bird watching, and more. Exploration walks Sundays at 1:30. Open Sat. & Sun. 10 am - 5 pm.

www.wetlandsofwatsonville.org