



MUSEUM of VENTURA COUNTY

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The Museum of Ventura County re-opens July 3rd

Admission to both museum locations remains free for the remainder of 2021

Ventura County — After 15 months of closure, and as California’s Covid-19 restrictions are being lifted, The Museum of Ventura County is re-opening both its Ventura location at 100 East Main Street and the Agriculture Museum in Santa Paula at 926 Railroad Avenue on July 1, 2021. Admission to the museums and parking are free for visitors for the remainder of 2021.

Beginning Thursday, July 1st, visiting hours for The Museum of Ventura County and the Agriculture Museum in Santa Paula will be Thursday through Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Research Library located on the Ventura campus will operate by appointment only, Wednesday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Following the lead of other educational institutions, masks are currently required for all indoor visitors and museum staff at this time. Vaccinated guests have the option to remove their face coverings when enjoying the museum’s outdoor spaces.

Debuting on opening weekend at The Museum of Ventura County is, “Huelga! Photographs from the Frontlines” by Jorge Corralejo. While the exhibit was originally scheduled to open in mid-March of 2020, due to the Coronavirus pandemic, it was postponed. Guests were able to view an online 3D version of the exhibit throughout 2020, but now are welcomed to experience the exhibit in person and are invited to attend a special opening reception on Saturday, July 3rd, 2021, from 2-4pm. For more information about the reception, and future museum events, please visit: www.venturamuseum.org/events. In Santa Paula, the Agriculture Museum continues to showcase the region’s rich farming and ranching history.

“We are delighted to be welcoming visitors back into our community’s museums in both Ventura and Santa Paula,” commented Elena Brokaw, Executive Director, Museum of Ventura County. “We’ve missed the energy that is seen and felt as all patrons, young and old alike, take in both museum’s on-site exhibits and collections in person.” Brokaw reinforced that guest safety is of primary importance and the decision to require masks while inside museum buildings is to ensure that the most vulnerable guests, including children and seniors, can freely access all indoor services feeling safe and comfortable. Both the Museum of Ventura County and Agriculture Museum in Santa Paula have implemented best practices to maintain a clean and safe environment.

For guests that are unable or not ready to visit The Museum of Ventura County or Agriculture Museum in Santa Paula in person, virtual exhibits remain available online. For more information visit: www.venturamuseum.org.

About the Museum — The Museum of Ventura County celebrates, preserves and interprets the art, history and culture of Ventura County, the California Channel Islands and the surrounding region through its collections, exhibitions, events, educational programs, publications and its research library, and serves as a gathering place for the community. The Museum has two locations – The main museum is located at 100 East Main Street, Ventura, California (805-653-0323). The Agriculture Museum is located at 926 Railroad Avenue, Santa Paula, California (805-525-3100). Both museums are open Thursdays through Sundays, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – www.venturamuseum.org.

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