

Los Angeles Museum Contacts for History Day

Autry National Center: Museum of the American West and Southwest Museum of the American Indian

4700 Western Heritage Way (in Griffith Park adjacent to L.A. Zoo), Los Angeles 90027

Web site, <http://www.autrynationalcenter.org>

Contact: Marva Felchlin, Director of the Autry Library
(323) 667-2000 X 349

Topics: Native American Experience in California/Los Angeles, Donner Party, Pioneers, and Mexican people losing lands to settlers

California African American Museum

600 State Street (Exposition Park) Los Angeles, CA 90037

Web site: <http://www.caam.ca.gov/>

(213) 744-7432

Craft and Folk Art Museum

5814 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90036

Web site, <http://www.cafam.org/>

Contact: Holly Jerger, Education Director
(323) 937-4230 x 28

Fowler Museum at UCLA

405 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles 90024 Fowler Building, located just west of Royce Hall

Web site, <http://www.fowler.ucla.edu/incEngine/>

Contact: Betsy Quick
(310) 206-5663

Huntington Library, Art Collection and Botanical Garden

1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino 91108

Web site, <http://www.huntington.org>

(626) 405 – 2105 Education Department

Contact: Peter Blodgett, Curator of Western American Manuscripts
(626) 405 -2207 E-mail, pblodgett@huntington.org

Sample Topic: Gold Rush (contact for more ideas)

Contact: Sue Hodson, Curator of Literary Manuscripts
(626) 405-2205 E-mail, shodson@huntington.org

Sample Topics: Civil Rights Movement in L.A., Langston Hughes, and First African-American Ballet Company

Japanese American National Museum

369 E. 1st St., Los Angeles 90012

Web site, <http://www.janm.org>

Contact: Select the “Collections and Research” link at the top of the web site to access the Hirasaki National Resource Center. To make an appointment for reference inquiries pertaining to Japanese American history and culture and the holdings and exhibitions of the Japanese American National Museum e-mail Email: hnrc@janm.org. You may check up on the status of your request by calling (213) 830 -5680.

Sample Topics: Japanese Relocation Camps and WWII Japanese Veterans who fought for the United States.

Museum of Latin American Art (MoLAA)

628 Alamitos Ave., Long Beach 90802

Web site, <http://www.molaa.com>

Contact: Cynthia MacMullin, Curator
(562) 437-1689 x109

Topic: Latin American Artists

The Museum of Neon Art (MONA)

501 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 90015

Web site, <http://www.neonmona.org>

Contact: Kim Koga, Director
(213) 489-9918

Topic: Preservation of neon signs in Los Angeles and Nationally

Olvera Street El Pueblo De Los Angeles Historic Park

845 N. Alameda Street

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Web Site, <http://www.cityofla.org/elp/>

Contact: Sue Ellen Cheng, Head Curator of the History Department
(213) 485-8388 or (213) 485 - 6855

Skirball Cultural Center

2701 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90049

Web site, <http://www.skirball.org/>

Contact: Gabriella Tsabag, Senior Educator

(310) 440-4655 E-mail, grtsabag@skirball.org

(310) 440-4462

Topic: All aspects of Jewish history e.g. Sephardic Jews, exile from Egypt, Passover, Hanukah

Watts Towers Art Center, Noah Sylvester Purifoy Gallery

1727 E. 107th St., Los Angeles 90002

Web site, http://www.trywatts.com/art_center.htm

Contact: Rogelio Acevedo, Education Coordinator

(213) 485-1796 or (310) 847 - 4646

Topic: The artist Simon Rodia's and his community's struggle against the city inspectors to build and keep the Watts Towers intact.