



# **ADOBE GARDENS FIESTA**

**51st ANNUAL ADOBE TOUR  
SATURDAY, APRIL 25  
10-5**

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## WELCOME

Welcome to the 51st annual Adobe Tour. This year Monterey History and Art Association is celebrating the wonderful gardens of our historic adobes. The "Adobes Garden Fiesta" will highlight gardens at each adobe, as well as family activities at several sites. Activities include: student art exhibit at Memory Garden (art students from Carmel High School), Maypole Dance at Colton Hall, "Olios" at First Theatre, Living History at Cooper-Molera including three stallions from the bloodline of the horses brought to California during the De Anza 1776 expedition, and the tea at Casa Serrano.

The Adobe Tour has served as a major fund raiser for the Monterey History and Art Association for 51 years. The proceeds of your tax deductible ticket goes towards preservation of our historic adobes, conservation of artifacts and funding for education programs for our community.

Many thanks to the endless hours of staff and volunteer time to produce this event. We look forward to making your "Adobe Gardens Fiesta" an enjoyable experience. Thank you for your support!

*Bobette Canavarro*  
*President*  
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## SPECIAL EVENTS

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

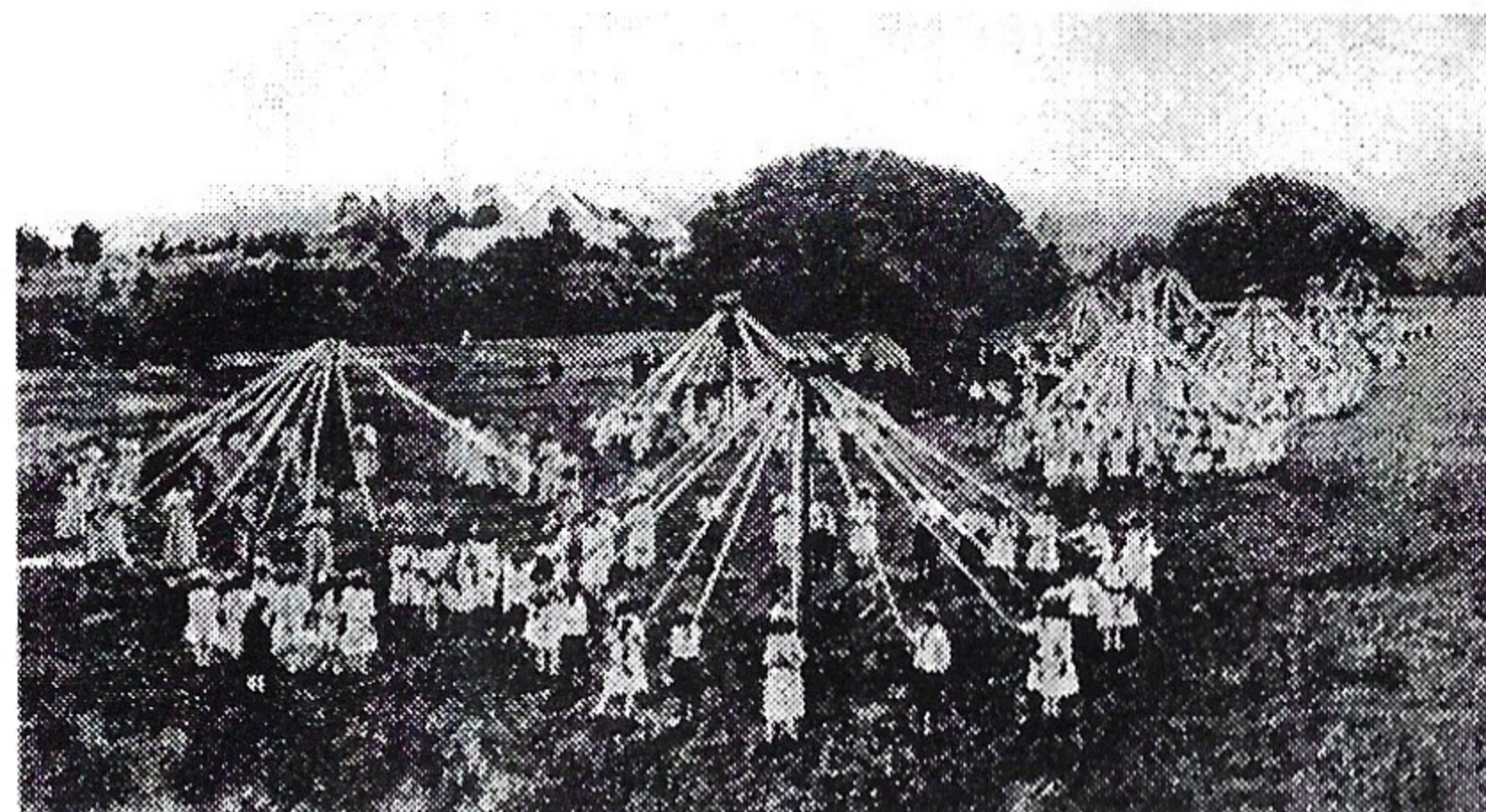
**ART SHOW** all day *Memory Garden*  
Works of Carmel High School art students

**COSTUME EXHIBITS** Historic Costume Committee of  
Monterey History & Art Association

"1920's GARDEN PARTY" *Perry House*  
"EASTER PARADE" *Perry House*  
"FIESTA TIME" *Perry House*  
"A VISIT TO MONTEREY" *Maritime Museum*  
*Changing Gallery*

## DANCE

FANDANGO 2 - 5 *Custom House*  
Alta California Dance Company  
MAYPOLE DANCE 2:00 *Colton Hall*  
Lyceum of Monterey; Ray Pricer, instructor



**FAMOUS AUTHORS BOOK SIGNING** *Mayo Hayes*  
*O'Donnell Library*  
arranged by Faye Messinger

10:00 - 12:00  
Richard Snibbe  
Steve McGuirk  
(Landscape Architect)  
Linda Yamane

1:00 - 3:00  
Marcia DeVoe  
Elayne Fitzpatrick  
Michael Hemp  
Deborah Johansen  
Randy Reinstedt

3:00 - 5:00  
Marcia DeVoe  
Steve McGuirk  
(Landscape Architect)  
Linda Yamane

Diana Dennett *Merritt House*  
"Tell Me More Ancestor Stories, Grandma"

## FOOD

Coffee, cookies and ice water all day -*House of Four Winds*  
Baked bread all day at *Cooper-Molera Garden*  
**Casa Serrano Tea, 2-5 p.m.** (finger sandwiches, cookies)  
Chocolate Nuggets for children at Adobes throughout tour

## GARDENS ON DISPLAY

*Memory Garden (get your "blooming portrait")*  
*Sensory Garden (buy some plants, notecards & aprons)*  
*Doud House Garden (Florence Yoch's design; Teepee)*  
*Perry House Garden (a beautiful place for a wedding)*  
*Casa Soberanes Garden*  
*Stevenson House Garden*  
*Larkin House Garden*  
*Casa Serrano Garden*  
*Cooper Molera Garden (Living History events)*  
*Old Whaling Station Garden*  
*Casa Abrego Garden*  
*Casa Amesti Garden*

**LIVING HISTORY** all day *Cooper-Molera Garden*  
(details listed under Special Programs for Children)

**MAYPOLE DANCE** 2:00 P.M. *Colton Hall*

## MUSIC

"Otter Limits" 10-12 *Doud House*  
Barber Shop Quartet (Jeb Morris, Harvey Raider,  
Tim Anderson, Sam Kier)  
"Los Musicos de Monterey" 10 -12 *Memory Garden*  
Bruce and Judy Cowan  
"Crabapples" 2 - 4 *Memory Garden*  
Norm Cotton, Bruce and Judy Cowan,  
Brenda Holloway, Marta Lynch, David Price,  
Sofia Ramos, Dennis Seese, Bob Silberstein  
Harpist at Tea (Amy Krupski) 2 - 5 *Casa Serrano*

## VAUDEVILLE

**2 PERFORMANCES:** *California's First Theatre*  
11:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
1:00 - 1:30 p.m.  
"Olios" presented by the players of the First Theatre  
Marabee Boone, Director



## SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

**CHOCOLATE GOLD NUGGETS** all day various Adobes

**FACEPAINTING** all day *First Brick House*  
by "Plum-Tuckered" the clown

**FLOWER RINGS** all day *Custom House*

**GARDENS: TEEPEE** all day *Doud House Garden*  
(Special thanks to Sara Pekarsky)

**LIVING HISTORY EVENTS** all day *Cooper-Molera Garden*  
Blacksmith (David Wittrock) *Special thanks to*  
Branding *Elizabeth Carpenter*  
Breadbaking *and Jim Fife*  
Butter churning *(Calif. State Parks)*  
Sea Captain (by David Rummler)  
Children's games - bowling, marbles, button spinners  
Horses on display - descendants of horses in the 1776  
De Anza Expedition (from Rancho del Sueno)  
Leather Stamping (make your own bookmark)  
Pot Painting (thanks to Cypress Nurseries)  
Rope Making  
Tortilla-Making  
Weaving/Carding

### **MARITIME MUSEUM EVENTS**

Treasure Hunt all day  
Scrimshaw (learn how to make your own) 11 - 3  
by Tim Thomas  
Native Plant display by Linda Yamane  
1913 Rambler in lobby as part of "A Visit to Monterey"  
exhibit in the Changing Gallery  
Titanic exhibit on the second floor  
Interactive exhibits - especially for kids!

**MAYPOLE DANCE** 2:00 p.m. *Colton Hall*

**PAINTING OF MINIATURES** all day *Monterey Museum of Art*  
(Children can paint floral miniatures - in main gallery  
- grownups there to help!)

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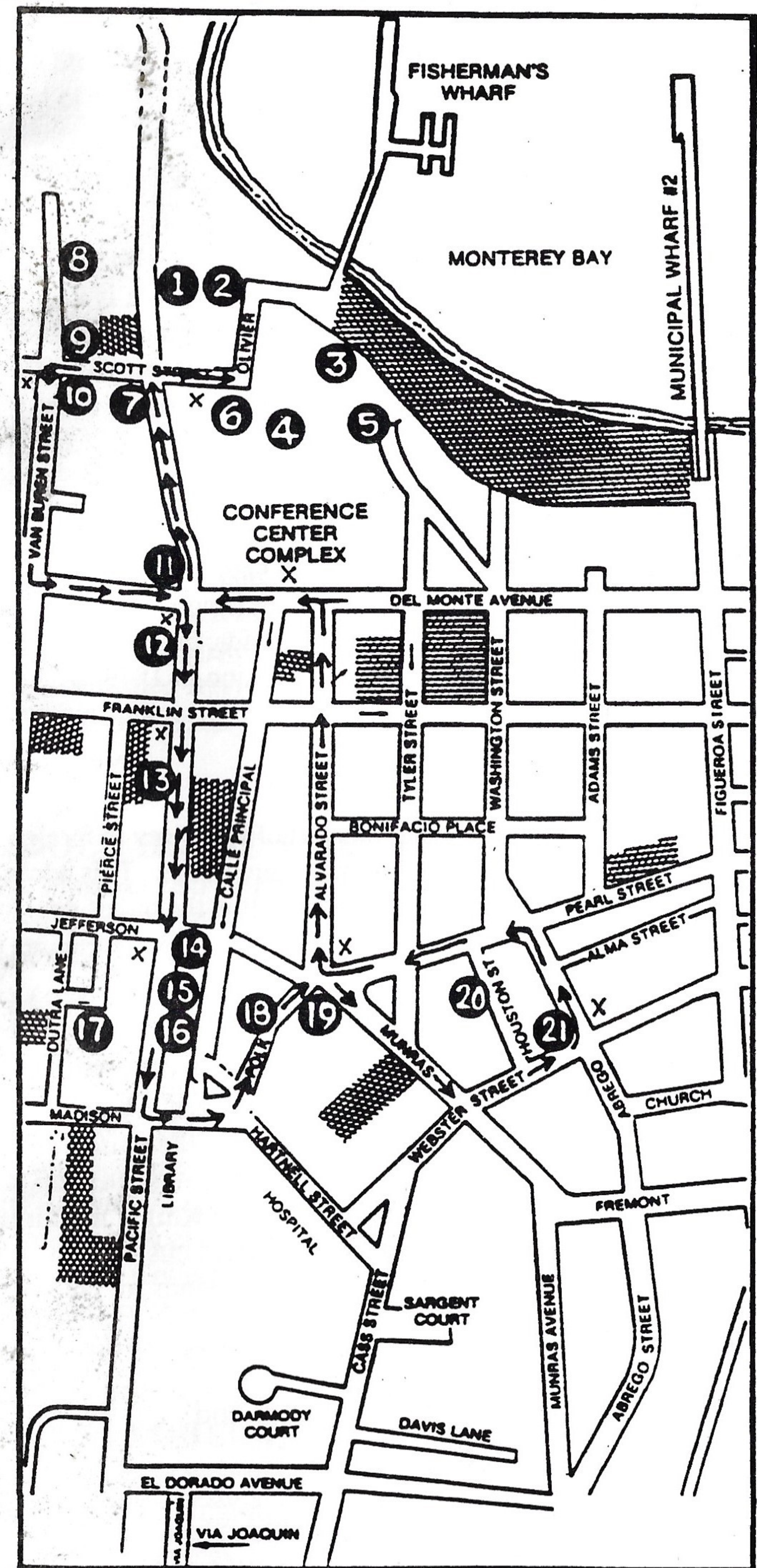
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# 51st ANNUAL ADOBE TOUR *"Adobe Gardens Fiesta"*

1. Old Whaling Station
2. First Brick House
3. Custom House\*\*\*
4. Pacific House/Memory Garden
5. Maritime Museum of Monterey #\*\*\*##(w)
6. Sensory Garden/Boston Store
7. California's First Theatre
8. Mayo Hayes O'Donnell Library
9. Doud House
10. Perry House
11. Casa Soberanes
12. Merritt House
13. Casa Serrano\*\*\*
14. Larkin House\*\*\*
15. House of the Four Winds
16. Monterey Museum of Art##(w)#
17. Colton Hall
18. Casa Amesti
19. Cooper-Molera Adobe#\*\*\*(w)##
20. Stevenson House
21. Casa Abrego

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**BUILDINGS AND GARDENS  
ON DISPLAY  
ADOBE GARDENS FIESTA**

**1. OLD WHALING STATION AND GARDEN**

Built in the 1840's by David Wright, a Scotsman, his adobe was modeled on the plan of Wright's ancestral home. In the 1850's it became a boarding house and headquarters for Portuguese whalers. A whalebone sidewalk is a reminder of the importance of whaling in California's economy. It is now a unit of Monterey State Historic Park and is leased to the Junior League for their headquarters.

*Heritage Harbor*

**2. FIRST BRICK HOUSE**

Built of bricks made and fired in his own kiln by Gallant G. Dickenson shortly after his arrival in Monterey in 1848, this building is now a unit of Monterey State Historic Park. Dickenson left for the gold fields, but returned to Monterey to serve as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention in 1849.

*Heritage Harbor*

**3. CUSTOM HOUSE**

When the Mexican government opened the port of Monterey to foreign trade in the early 1820's, revenue was collected from custom duties. This adobe building, begun in 1827, was completed in 1846. It is the oldest government building on the Pacific Coast. Monterey State Historic Park maintains it as a museum.

*Custom House Plaza*

**4. MARITIME MUSEUM OF MONTEREY**

A project of the Monterey History and Art Association, the museum explores a seafaring heritage linking Spanish conquistadors, mission settlement, trade, fishing, and a powerful U.S. Navy. Home of the Allen Knight maritime collection, the museum features the First Order Fresnel Lens from the Point Sur Lighthouse. The museum now has new interactive exhibits for children.

*Custom House Plaza*

**5. PACIFIC HOUSE (Exterior Only) and  
MEMORY GARDEN**

This long two-story adobe was built in 1847 for Thomas Larkin and served as a hotel, courtroom, jury room and County Clerk's offices, ballroom, newspaper office and a church. It was deeded to the State in 1954 and is maintained as a museum. Currently its exhibits are being re-interpreted. The Memory Garden is directly behind the Pacific House.

*Custom House Plaza*

**6. SENSORY GARDEN/BOSTON STORE**

The Boston Store was originally called Casa del Oro (House of Gold). Constructed of chalk rock and adobe in the 1840's by Thomas Larkin, it was leased to Joseph Boston in the 1850's for a general merchandise store. The Historic Garden League operates it as the Boston Store. The Sensory Garden is a project of the Monterey History and Art Association.

*Scott and Olivier Streets.*

**7. FIRST THEATRE AND GARDEN**

Built in the 1840's by Jack Swan as a saloom and apartment house, it was converted into a theatre for production of melodramas at the close of the Mexican War.

*Scott and Pacific Streets.*

**8. MAYO HAYES O'DONNELL LIBRARY**

Originally St. James Episcopal Church, it was built in 1876 on Pacific Street as the first Protestant church in Monterey. It was moved to its present location in 1969 by the Monterey History and Art Association. Renamed in recognition of O'Donnell's dedicated service to the Association, it houses an excellent research library of California history.

*155 Van Buren*

**9. DOUD HOUSE AND GARDEN**

Irish-born Francis Doud helped with the arrangements for the Constitutional Convention held in 1849 in Monterey and supplied his own homemade kitchen table to be used for the Speaker and the signing of the Constitution. He built this wooden home overlooking Monterey Bay in the New England style. Monterey History and Art Association acquired the house in 1969.

*177 Van Buren Street*

**10. PERRY HOUSE**

This elegant Victorian-style home was built in 1860 by whaling captain Manuel Perry and his wife, Mary de Mello Silva, of Boston. Acquired by the Monterey History and Art Association in 1997, this is the new home of the Association's Historic Costume Collection. Make sure to view the Carriage House and Gardens in back of the home.

*201 Van Buren Street*

**11. CASA SOBERANES AND GARDEN**

Known as the "House with the Blue Gate," Casa Soberances is a unique example of the intermingling of architecture of Southern Spain and New England. Its preservation was assured in 1957 when Mrs. Mayo Hayes O'Donnell presented it to the State of California as a unit of Monterey State Historic Park.

*386 Pacific Street*



## **12. MERRITT HOUSE**

Built in the 1830s, it was later owned by Juana Castro Merritt, the wife of the first judge of Monterey County. This two-story adobe was remodeled for business and is now part of a hotel complex.

*386 Pacific Street.*

## **13. CASA SERRANO AND GARDEN**

Thomas Larkin started the building in the 1840's, and sold it to Don Florencio Serrano in 1845. Larkin appointed the Don headmaster of the first American school in California paid for with public funds, and Serrano established his school in the Casa Serrano parlor. Purchased and restored by the Monterey History and Art Association in 1959, it houses an important collection of California paintings and antiques.

*412 Pacific Street.*

## **14. LARKIN HOUSE AND GARDEN**

One of the fine examples of Monterey Colonial architecture, it was built in 1834 by Juan Bautista Rogerio Cooper's half brother, Thomas O. Larkin. Larkin was the first and only U.S. Consul to California. Now a unit of Monterey State Historic Park.

*510 Calle Principal*

## **15. HOUSE OF THE FOUR WINDS**

The first house with a weathervane (thus the name) was built in 1835. The Monterey Civic Club purchased it in 1914, restored it and added a meeting room.

*540 Calle Principal*

## **16. MONTEREY MUSEUM OF ART**

Built in the early 1900s, it was used as a mortuary and later the County Court House. The Museum offers both permanent and changing exhibits with an emphasis on the art of California and the Monterey region.

*559 Pacific Street*

## **17. COLTON HALL**

Built by Monterey's first alcalde, Walter Colton, in 1849. The California Constitutional Convention was held that same year in the large upstairs hall. It is owned by the City of Monterey and maintained as a museum.

*Pacific Street between Jefferson and Madison*

## **18. CASA AMESTI AND GARDEN**

A fine example of Monterey colonial architecture, Casa Amesti was built by Jose Amesti in the 1830's. It was purchased and restored by interior designer Frances Elkins in 1953, who bequeathed it to the National Trust for Historic Preservation. It is a private club.

*516 Polk Street*

## **19. COOPER-MOLERA ADOBE AND GROUNDS**

The home of Captain John Rogers Cooper who came to Monterey in 1823. He changed his name to Juan Bautista Rogerio Cooper, his citizenship to Mexico and his religion to Catholicism. He then married into the prominent Vallejo family. His business prospered. Now a unit of Monterey State Historic Park.

*Polk and Munras Streets - South end of Alvarado Street*

## **20. STEVENSON HOUSE AND GARDEN**

This two-story adobe was known as the French Hotel when Robert Louis Stevenson stayed there in 1879. It contains Stevenson memorabilia, first edition books and furniture donated by his family. Now a unit of Monterey State Historic Park.

*530 Houston Street.*

## **21. CASA ABREGO AND GARDEN**

Built by Don Jose Abrego, who came to Monterey in 1834, it is made of adobe bricks and wood. To save it from destruction the Monterey Foundation bought it and sold it to the private women's club in 1959.

*592 Abrego Street.*

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"Los Musicos de Monterey"  
with Bruce and Judy Cowan  
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Naval Postgraduate School  
Old Capital Club  
Old Monterey Preservation  
Society  
"Otter Limits" with  
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Rancho Del Sueno  
David Rummler  
Elizabeth Schneider  
Delilah Shaler  
Laurie Simmons  
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Nancy Stone  
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Linda Yamane

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Flowers donated by members of the Monterey History & Art  
Association.

**THE MONTEREY HISTORY AND ART ASSOCIATION**

From its inception in January 1931, Monterey History and Art Association has operated on a broad scale with programs which encompass preservation of historic buildings and artifacts, a variety of educational and cultural programs, and important collections unique to the Central Coast and all California. Included among those far-sighted individuals who established the Association were such artists as E. Charlton Fortune, Armin Hansen and Myron Oliver. Their work is represented in our important collection of California artists who worked on the Monterey Peninsula.

The Association owns and operates the Stanton Center which features the Maritime Museum and houses the administrative offices of the Museum and the Association. Other buildings owned and rescued by the Association's members include the Casa Serrano; the Doud House, a unique example of colonial architecture in Monterey; the Mayo Hayes O'Donnell Library, an Episcopal church built in 1876; the Fremont Adobe, possibly used by Fremont in 1846; and the Perry House, the home of our Historic Costume Collection.

The MHAA Costume Collection spans over 220 years of Monterey's history and consists of over 3,500 individual items. We publish a quarterly pamphlet, *Noticias del Puerto de Monterey*, which covers important historical events in and around Monterey. The articles are often drawn from hitherto unpublished and primary historical sources. Previous publications include the *Old Capital Cookbook*, and *Monterey\*\*\*The First Buildings* by Kipp Stewart.

The Association exists because of the devotion of its members who volunteer their time and contribute toward the goals set out in the Association Charter - to promote an interest in the history and art of Monterey County and to collect and own art, artifacts and property pertaining to the history and art of Monterey and of California.

We would be pleased if you join us in our efforts to preserve the history of our colorful past by becoming a member.



