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SoCal Museums Announces the Return of the

MUSEUMS FREE-FOR-ALL

The successful initiative returns in-person for the first time in two years

Free Admission Day Sunday, February 5, 2023



Images: Stars and Icons, *Regeneration: Black Cinema 1898-1971*, Academy Museum of Motion Pictures. Photo by Joshua White, JW Pictures/ ©Academy Museum Foundation; Craft Contemporary; Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History

Los Angeles, CA (January 12, 2023) — SoCal Museums announces the Museums Free-for-All on Sunday, February 5, 2023, in-person for the first time since 2020. Over thirty museums presenting art, cultural heritage, film, natural history, and science—will open their doors and offer free general admission.

"We are thrilled to be able to collectively welcome visitors from across the region on this special day once again. The **Museums Free-for-All** has always been a celebration of the varied and remarkable institutions in Southern California, and it is meaningful to continue this tradition of accessibility and joy," says **Briana Sapp**, SoCal Museums President and Director of Marketing and Communications, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. "We hope this will be an opportunity to both revisit old favorites and see new exhibitions or to try somewhere new."

The Free-for-All also serves as a reminder that free visitor days are available year-round at museums across Southern California. A calendar of free days can be found at <u>socalmuseums.org/free</u>.

This offer is for general museum admission only and does not apply to specially ticketed exhibitions. Regular parking fees apply at each museum. Consult individual museum websites for hours, directions, and other visitor information.

Academy Museum of Motion Pictures American Museum of Ceramic Art (Advance tickets required. Visit <u>www.amoca.org</u> to make a reservation.) Armory Center for the Arts **Bowers Museum Catalina Museum for Art & History** Cayton's Children's Museum (Advance tickets required. Visit www.caytonmuseum.org to make a reservation.) Craft Contemporary Descanso Gardens (Advance tickets required. Visit www.decansogardens.org to make a reservation.) Fowler Museum at UCLA Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Pepperdine University Hammer Museum The Getty Center The Getty Villa (Timed tickets are required for the Getty Villa. Visit <u>www.getty.edu</u> to make a reservation.) Japanese American National Museum La Brea Tar Pits & Museum (Advance tickets required. Visit www.tarpits.org to make a reservation.) LA Plaza de Cultura y Artes Lincoln Memorial Shrine Long Beach Museum of Art The Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) (Advance tickets strongly recommended. Visit <u>www.moca.org</u> to make a reservation.) Muckenthaler Cultural Center Museum of Latin America Art (MOLAA) Museum of Tolerance Museum of Ventura County Museum of Ventura County's Agriculture Museum Santa Barbara Museum of Art Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History Santa Monica History Museum Santa Paula Art Museum **Skirball Cultural Center** (Advance tickets strongly recommended. Visit www.skirball.org to make a reservation.) The Wende Museum The Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum **USC Fisher Museum** USC Asia Pacific Museum

About SoCal Museums

SoCal Museums (SCM) is a group of marketing and communications professionals from museums all over Southern California. The mission of the organization is to foster dialogue between marketing and communications museum professionals in Southern California in order to learn from each other, network, conceptualize and execute ways to increase visitation to and awareness of museums in Southern California, and develop collaborative opportunities between museums.

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