



Creative Arts League Tours for 2017

TOUR #1 - THURSDAY APRIL 13, 2017

**Oakwilde Ranch and Sculpture Park
& Haggin Museum** *with lunch included*

Cost:

Members/Friends of CALS \$90

Public \$110



An "oasis of visual pleasure" years in the making but largely unknown has gone public in undulating Sierra foothills outside Valley Springs: **Oakwilde Ranch & Sculpture Park.**

Oakwilde is an open-air gallery. Big artworks range unexpectedly across the contours of cattle country - to the puzzlement of the cattle - sculptures in meadow, on hilltop and among blue oak.

Oakwilde is not so much a destination as a journey, a years-long effort to sculpt not only large-format artworks but the land itself, the better to showcase big art.

On a guided tour, we will spend about one and a half hours exploring the 52 acre sculpture park in the rolling hills 30 miles above Stockton. Come prepared to walk around this canvas of contemporary art and sculpture set in a spectacular nature park.

To facilitate ease of walking on the trails walking sticks and walking shoes are in order. **Lunch is included and will be served indoors on the property.** The menu will include meat or pesto ravioli, salad, wine and dessert. Gluten free options available if arranged 3 weeks prior to the trip.

Following lunch, we'll travel to the **Haggin Museum in Stockton.** The building will be under renovation at this time so we will be exploring the historical area of the museum on a guided tour covering both local and regional history of California.



Sunset Magazine has described this beautiful museum as, "one of the undersung gems of California." This impressive brick building has stood in the center of Stockton's lush Victory Park for over 85 years, but it's what's on the inside that makes it worth visiting.

TOUR #2 - TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017

Filoli with lunch included

Cost:

Members/Friends of CALS \$100

Public \$120



Filoli is a country house set in 16 acres of formal gardens surrounded by a 654-acre estate built in 1915 by Mr. and Mrs. William Boum. The name of the estate is an acronym formed by combining the first two letters from the key words of William Bourn's credo: "Fight for a just cause; LOve your fellow man; LIve a good life."

Our visit will include a guided tour of the house, as well as a tour of the exquisite gardens.

We will also be served a box lunch on the grounds, and the price is included in the tour.



TOUR #3 - THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2017

California Caverns

Highway House Restaurant

Amador County Museum *with lunch included*

Cost:

Members/Friends of CALS \$90

Public

\$110



We will drive to Mountain Ranch and visit a natural artistic wonder: California Cavern, and are scheduled to take a 60-80 minute walking tour of this State Historic Landmark cavern. This cave has a natural trail, mostly horizontal with a few stairs. The temperature is 55 degrees. If it should rain before our visit it may be slightly muddy, so dress casually and wear good walking shoes. This cavern was discovered in 1849 making it the State's first show cave. Visitors travel through numerous large, highly decorated chambers featuring stalactites, helictites and flowstones.

Lunch at the Highway House will be included in the price of the tour, and we will be served a variety of salads, sandwiches and/or quiche. Tea, lemonade, coffee and dessert will be provided. A no-host bar will be set up for our group.

Next, we are off to the Amador County Museum in Jackson. The museum is housed in a home built for Armstead Brown in 1859 and is currently furnished with items donated by residents in the area. You will see a diverse collection of furniture, clothes, instruments and tools of the time.

A second guided tour will be to the mining model exhibit, a replica of the Kennedy Mine, which will give a history and perspective of mining, from placer to deep rock methods.



TOUR #4 - SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017

Palace of the Legion of Honor
Presidio Officers' Club

Cost:

Members/Friends of CALS \$85

Public \$105



We will travel to San Francisco to visit the Palace and have a guided tour of the special Degas exhibit, “Degas, Impressionism, and the Paris Millinery Trade”.

Edgar Degas (1834-1917) was a French painter, sculptor and print artist; often associated with the subject of dance. In his words, “*art is not what you see, but what you make others see.*”



During our visit you will have time to explore the museum’s regular collections and have a *no-host lunch* at the museum restaurant.

We will then travel to the nearby Presidio Officers’ Club, where we can experience 10,000 years of history with a distinctly West Coast perspective.



TOUR # 5 - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

**Cornerstone Sonoma
Old Town Sonoma**

Cost:

Members/Friends of CALS \$65

Public \$85

The Cornerstone facility in Sonoma has now become home to the Sunset Garden and Outdoor Test Kitchen.



We will enjoy a guided tour of the 25 or more gallery-style walk through gardens that are ever changing. We will then have time to visit the many boutique shops, galleries, café, wineries and tasting rooms.



The bus will take us to Old Town Sonoma where people can choose a restaurant for a *no-host lunch* and then visit the mission, shops and enjoy the local art.



TOUR #6 - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1st - 2pm - 4pm
Reception & Curator Led Tour of the Ruth Rippon Retrospective
Crocker Art Museum

Special event tour for CALS/ Friends of CALS Members Only

Guests will enjoy a curator led tour of the Creative Arts League of Sacramento sponsored major retrospective of the work of Ruth Rippon, one of CALS founding members and Professor Emeritus at CSUS.

In addition, we will enjoy a high tea and toast Ruth and the legacy of work and her 90th birthday. Ruth will be available to autograph copies of the book accompanying the exhibition.

You are encouraged to carpool to the Crocker Museum. We will not provide a bus for this event.

CALS members & Friends of CALS members only: \$15

All members who pay AND attend, will receive \$15 credit toward their 2018 dues.



For further information contact Sue Northart at 916.804.9303 or at suenorthart@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE: We will give a full refund up to two (2) weeks before each tour. By this time all tour, bus, lunch, etc. fees have been paid. After that, no refunds.

Remember that your tour fee includes:

- *Complimentary Snacks,*
- *Water and Wine,*
- *Drawing Prizes,*
- *CALS Tour Guides,*
- *All transportation, venue fees, tours, tip for the bus driver, and when indicated, lunch.*

- *You may want to consider becoming a Friend of CALS if you wish to lower your cost for the tours.*

Friends of CALS Benefits

- *Provide ancillary support for CALS projects*
- *Receive reduced pricing for Tours and Special Events*
- *Grow your appreciation of art in new ways*
- *Meet and interact with a community of new people with shared interests*
- *Help to provide a financial base of support for Children's and Senior's Art Workshops, Exhibitions, and opportunities for increased exposure to the arts in the entire Sacramento Region*