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Robert T. McKee Student Art Exhibition 2024 Award of
Excellence Overall winner

1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS

Enjoy an evening at the Haggin Museum! Events vary from special guests to live music and everything in between. This evening, hosted by the Junior Women's Group, is perfect for a night out with friends or a date! **Enjoy a complimentary glass of wine, beginning at 6:30 pm**, as you socialize with friends before the program starts at 7 pm.

THURSDAY, JAN 2 | 7 PM

Brain Benders at the Haggin | Join us for a fun-filled Game Night celebrating National Brain Teaser Month! Challenge your mind with various brain teasers, puzzles, and logic games that will test your wits and keep you on your toes. Prizes await those who can crack the toughest challenges, and there will be plenty of opportunities to collaborate, compete, and share in the joy of problem-solving.



THURSDAY, JAN 16 | 7 PM

Divertimento | The Haggin is delighted to host the renowned Divertimento Ensemble, a talented string group featuring members of the Stockton Symphony and accomplished musicians with extensive international experience. This ensemble, featuring Lubo Velickovic, Michelle Martin, Randy Fisher, and David Wishnia, is celebrated for its diverse repertoire and vibrant performances.



THURSDAY, FEB 6 | 7 PM

Steve Carter Trio | Experience the soulful sounds of the Steve Carter Trio at the Haggin Museum—an evening of world-class jazz you won't want to miss! The Steve Carter Trio features three world-class musicians with decades of experience in the music industry. Steve Carter, Dennis Smith, and Billy Johnson bring a dynamic blend of jazz, world music, and soulful rhythms to every performance.



THURSDAY, FEB 20 | 7 PM

JoDavi | JoDavi is a distinguished composer, arranger, and music director renowned for his innovative fusion of soulful roots and orchestral sophistication. Often referred to as "Mr. Maestro," JoDavi has captivated audiences both in the United States and internationally with his unique "Cinema-Soul" style—a harmonious blend of symphonic sounds and Motown influences.



THURSDAY, MAR 6 | 7 PM

Iain Matthews | Matthews is a legendary figure in folk rock whose 60-year career has left an indelible mark on the music world. From his beginnings with Fairport Convention to chart-topping success with hits like "Woodstock" and "Shake It," Matthews continues to prove himself as an artist with much to say. Now based in the Netherlands, Matthews remains as prolific as ever, with his latest album, *How Much Is Enough?*



THURSDAY, MAR 20 | 7 PM

The Keller Sisters | The Haggin Museum is thrilled to welcome The Keller Sisters, a dynamic duo known for their wholehearted harmonies, engaging performances, and rich blend of Folk, Blues, Americana, and Musical Theater. Don't miss an enchanting evening with The Keller Sisters, where heartfelt music and laughter come together to create an unforgettable performance.



HOW TO WRITE A NOVEL IN JUST ONE HOUR & BOOK SIGNING SATURDAY, JAN 25 | 2 - 3 PM

Everyone has an excellent idea for a story, but most view the prospect of writing an entire novel as a daunting task indeed. What are the elements of the plot? Why do the major disasters occur? How can we differentiate between a proactive and reactive scene? Well, the reality is that anyone can write a great book, and in this hour-long presentation, local novelist Matt Abraham, author of *Old Debts*, will take you step-by-step through the entire process. Starting with Dwight Swain's famous MRU micro-structure and ending with KM Weiland's macro-theory of the three-act-arc, Abraham will show you every tool you will need to spin a cohesive tale that will thrill and captivate readers.



2ND SATURDAYS for Families

Get creative at the Haggin! 2nd Saturday events are designed for children ages 5-12, and feature an enchanting read-out-loud experience and art activity thoughtfully designed for young readers and budding artists! Each session features a hands-on project inspired by the story and a carefully selected book aligned with our exhibits or monthly theme. Reservations are not required, but seating is available on a first come-first served basis. Materials and activities are included with regular museum admission.



SEA TURTLE CRAFT

SAT, JAN 11 | 1 - 2:30 PM

Dive into ocean conservation with a fun-filled paper plate sea turtle craft. This activity pairs with *Follow the Moon Home* by Philippe Cousteau and Deborah Hopkinson.



FABRIC QUILTS

SAT, FEB 8 | 1 - 2:30 PM

Honor Black History Month by crafting a quilt inspired by the iconic Gee's Bend quilts! This project accompanies *Charles and his Gee's Bend Quilt* by Tangular Irby.



FOUND OBJECT SCULPTURES

SAT, MAR 8 | 1 - 2:30 PM

Cultivate your inner artist by transforming everyday items into sculptures inspired by artists Louise Nevelson and Betye Saar. This art activity is paired with Meg Auchenbach's *If You Are an Artist*.

2nd Saturdays for Families programming is generously underwritten by Joan W. Diehl

For more information, contact the Education Department at 209.940.6315 or education@hagginmuseum.org

EXCITING EVENTS

HONORING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

SATURDAY, FEB 15 | 2 - 3 PM



Join us on Saturday, February 15th, 2025, from 2–3 p.m. as we welcome Stockton Soul, an ensemble that celebrates the rich legacy of Black American Music. Inspired by the soul orchestra sound of Motown legends like Curtis Mayfield and Isaac Hayes, Stockton Soul blends violin and cello performances with the rhythms and emotions of Black American Music, creating a vibrant and educational experience. Their performances connect audiences to the cultural significance of this music and its deep ties to American history, encouraging students to embrace their musical preferences and pursue careers in the arts.

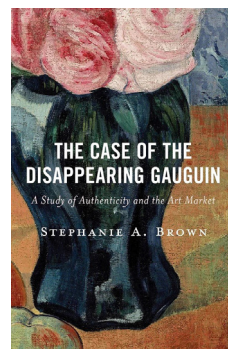
Stockton Soul's mission grew even more urgent after the loss of founding member Jonathon Ivy in 2021, expanding to include advocacy for mental wellness. Using music, lyrics, and personal stories, the ensemble tackles issues such as addiction, bullying, and trauma while fostering meaningful conversations about mental health. Their powerful performances inspire, educate, and unite audiences, leaving a lasting impression. Do not miss this special Black History Month event at the Haggin Museum.

EXHIBIT READS

SATURDAY, MAR 29 | 1:30 - 3 PM

Join us as we investigate Dr. Stephanie Brown's *The Case of the Disappearing Gauguin: A Study of Authenticity and the Art Market*. This compelling book unravels the mystery of *Flowers and Fruit*, a painting long attributed to Paul Gauguin and treasured by the Haggin Museum.

Dr. Brown takes readers on a fascinating journey through newly discovered archives, tracing the painting's history from its debut in Paris and New York to its rediscovery in Stockton in 2018. Readers will grapple with questions of authenticity, value, and the intricate dynamics of the art market.



This book complements the ongoing exhibit, *The Case of the Disappearing Gauguin*, on view through April 6th, 2025. On Saturday, March 29th, from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m., join us for a special Exhibit Reads gathering featuring a discussion with Dr. Stephanie Brown, an interactive art mystery activity, and a reveal of the exhibit's visitor votes.

Examine "letters and correspondence," hidden clues, and inventory records to form your own theory about the painting's authenticity. Then, discover which evidence—provenance, connoisseurship, or scientific analysis—visitors find most convincing as we tally the votes and discuss the results.

Don't miss this engaging opportunity to connect with fellow readers, uncover art world secrets, and solve a mystery! Please pick up your copy at our Museum Store and join us for this unforgettable journey.

WELLNESS DAY

SATURDAY, MAR 15 | 1 - 2:30 PM

shine.
CYCLE + YOGA + BARRE

Join us for a day of mindfulness and meditation. This day of wellness will include a yoga session in the Haggin Gallery provided by Shine Yoga. Guests are encouraged to bring a yoga mat or blanket to participate in the soothing meditation.

Visitors of all ages are welcome to participate. All activities are included with general admission. No reservations required. Space is limited. Please arrive early to secure your spot.

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HAGGIN NOUVEAU

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 | 6-9 PM

\$45 MEMBERS | \$55 NON-MEMBERS

An evening where guests can experience the museum like never before as local creatives reinterpret the Haggin Collection in new and exciting ways. Watch as the museum comes to life with actors, poets, music, floral arrangements, and more! Guests are welcome to enjoy drinks and small bites as they explore the museum.

Museum Members will receive an invitation with ticket information in the mail.
Ticket sales begin February 2025.



BECOME A DOCENT

Are you interested in learning new things, meeting new people, and helping your community? Then the Haggin Museum Docent Volunteer program might be right for you! The in-depth docent curriculum includes learning about the Haggin's art & history collection, *Museums2Schools* classroom program, Visual Thinking Strategies, and tour techniques. No prior art or history knowledge required—just a desire to connect our visitors and students with the museum and its collections through shared experiences!



To sign up for the Haggin Museum docent training, fill out a docent application form located on our website at hagginmuseum.org/education. Contact the Education Department for more information at (209) 940-6315. Classes (Tuesdays, 9 am - 12 pm) begin July 29, and run through December 9, 2025.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Image caption: (above) Congratulations to the most recent Art Docent Training graduates. (left to right) Nicole George (Education Director), Kathryn Fong (Docent Council President), Lisa Rodrigues, Debbie Rose Timm, Terri Viera, Liz Walsh, Candace Hemric, Randy Hendricks, Rebecca Sullivan, John Piaseck, Rick Knipper, Henry Koertzen. Not photographed: Debbie Maghoney.

MUSEUM STORE NEWS

The Museum Store hosted the annual Holiday Open House in early November, 2024. The event was a great success! Members and their guests got a head start on holiday shopping while enjoying some early holiday cheer and delicious hot chocolate. The Museum Store would like to thank all of the dedicated members and volunteers who help make this a special museum event each and every year.

The Museum Store's **MEET THE MAKERS** series continues through 2025. This special series featuring local and regional creatives was a hit and the Store will be continuing the events quarterly throughout the year. Visitors can meet and mingle with artists, chefs, and writers as they shop local and unique items in the Store! Check the Haggin Museum's website event page and follow the Store on Instagram @hagginmuseum_store for dates and more information.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

If you would like to join the Museum Store Auxiliary by volunteering one day a month in the store and helping with Museum Store events, please contact Karen at the store (209) 940-6319 and join the fun!

94TH ANNUAL ROBERT T. MCKEE STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

February 13 - March 16, 2025

Celebrate the arts in education during the 94th Robert T. McKee Student Art Contest & Exhibition—the longest museum sponsored student art exhibition in the country! This event features the work of student artists from kindergarten through grade 12.

The exhibition was first envisioned by founding patron Robert T. McKee, whose goal was to encourage students by providing a public venue for their artwork. All schools in San Joaquin County—public, private, charter, parochial and home-schools—receive invitations to submit their work. Last year, Haggin received nearly 1,000 pieces of art chosen by the teachers as the best in their class. The temporary galleries will be filled with two- and three-dimensional art works created in crayon, colored pencil, pastel, watercolor, oil and acrylic paint, photography, and other mediums.



ARTISTS' RECEPTION: Saturday, March 1 | 1:30 - 3 pm

This year the museum will hold an artists' reception for students, their families, and teachers on March 1. This event is **FREE** to everyone and sponsored by the Junior Women's Group of the Haggin Museum who will provide punch and cookies to the guests.

MCKEE EXHIBITION JUDGE

Based in Stockton, CA, Gabriel Reyes is a dynamic mixed-media painter whose work combines the fluidity of watercolors, the boldness of acrylics, and the energy of spray paint. Drawing inspiration from nature and people, Gabriel's art captures the interplay of organic forms and human emotions.

As a former member of Art Collective 1850, Gabriel contributed to a thriving creative community, honing his collaborative and individual artistic voice. Through his pieces, he invites viewers to connect with the world and each other in profound and colorful ways.



Image caption: (above, left) Detail image of drawing by Ayleen Garcia-Cano, Robert T. McKee Student Art Exhibition 2024 Honorable Mention

DEPARTMENT OF MUSEUM TRAVEL

2024 WRAP UP & A LOOK AHEAD

2024 saw the Haggin Museum's Department of Museum Travel ramping up its menu of travel options. In May, travelers enjoyed a Placer County Daytripper which included some history of Placer County and Old Town Auburn and a visit to High-Hand Nursery. DMT visited Angel Island Immigration Station in September and a capacity group ferried across to the island on the Tiburon Ferry. The travelers enjoyed a fascinating docent-led tour of the Detention Barracks and were able to explore on their own the outdoor exhibits and the recently restored hospital building, which is now a museum. In addition, they viewed a new permanent exhibit about the little-known incarceration of Japanese Americans on Angel Island during World War II. In October the group traveled to Golden Gate Park and de Young museum. DMT and its guests experienced a docent-led private tour of the impressive Osher American Art exhibit at the de Young as well as explored the nearby attractions which included the Japanese Tea Garden, Botanical Garden and California Academy of Sciences.



Image captions: (above) DMT trip to Angel Island in 2024; (right) DMT leaders Elly Washington and Sally Tsunekawa with docents at Placer County Museum, 2024.



Image caption: (above) Locke Chinese New Year Celebration

With 2024 in the rearview mirror, DMT looks forward to the new year with more exciting adventures on the horizon.

Saturday, February 22, 2025

A Day in the Delta: Historic Isleton and Locke Chinese New Year

Tour of Isleton Museum, Lunch At Peter's Steakhouse in Isleton and Chinese New Year celebration in Locke.

Friday, April 11, 2025

Wat Dhammararam Temple: Celebrate Cambodian New Year in Stockton!

This is a self-transporting local trip with a guided tour of the temple and the dozens of statues on the grounds.

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Path of the Chinese Railroad Worker: Auburn to Donner Summit

Tour the Chinese-built transcontinental railroad tunnels and other features in the mountains above Donner Lake. A full trip narration will be presented by Historian Bill George as we travel by coach via I-80 through Auburn to the Donner Summit area near Truckee. We conclude our journey with a guided tour of the California State Railroad Museum in Sacramento.

Registration information is available at hagginmuseum.org/department-of-museum-travel or pick up the informational green sheet at the museum.

Questions? Contact Department of Museum Travel at HagginTravel@gmail.com.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S GROUP

Each holiday season the Haggin Museum is beautifully decorated by the Junior Women's Group Auxiliary. The history and art galleries were adorned with festive trees, lights, and garland. The holiday cheer brightens the experience of a visit to the museum and brings joy to all that pass through during the holiday season! JWG and the Haggin staff are grateful for the assistance of the Stockton firefighters who provide much of the heavy lifting for the decorating set-up and clean-up.



Image caption: (above) Stockton fire fighters graciously volunteered their time to assist with the Christmas decorating. A BIG thank you to all who volunteered to help with decorating! (below) West Gallery decorated and ready for Santa's arrival.



JWG hosted Santa Sunday on December 8, and guests to the museum were delighted to see the festive holiday decorations and, of course, Santa! Thank you to all who volunteered for decorating, setup, and day-of event. Thank you Junior Women's Group for bringing the holiday cheer to the museum during this joyous season!

LADIES AUXILIARY TO CALIFORNIA PIONEERS

The LACP was very pleased to open its 132nd year with a garden luncheon at Kathy Hymes lovely home in October. Our Co-Presidents, Elaine Dixon-Ugarkovich and Kerry Sullivan, are pictured below with our honored guest Susan Obert

We enjoyed an informative talk in November by R. Tod Ruse, Historian for the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Dept. The December Christmas Tea featured a wonderful musical program with students from Lincoln High School.

Our next general meeting will be a lunch gathering at noon on February 5, 2025. We are very much looking forward to our March 5, 1 pm meeting with guest speakers Maestro Peter Jaffe and CEO Scott Watkins of the Stockton Symphony.



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September 1 - December 15, 2024

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THANK YOU!

Donations and memberships at all levels make your museum greater. It allows the Haggin to provide access to art & history for all. We greatly appreciate all of your support!



HAGGIN *à la carte*

June 21, 2025 | 6 - 9 PM

Mark your calendars! Haggin à la Carte is a signature event that brings hundreds of attendees to the museum for art, food, and lively entertainment. It is a total museum experience that uses all of your senses!

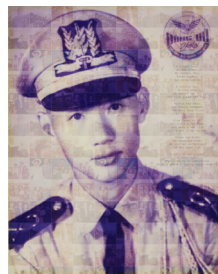
Interested in sponsoring or participating? Please contact Susan Obert at sobert@hagginmuseum.org or 209-940-6331.



A LOOK AHEAD TO SPRING & SUMMER



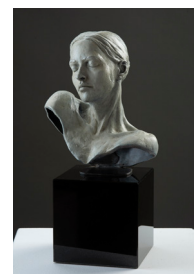
April 3 - June 1
**JEROME BEIDERMAN
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April 3 - June 1
**TEXTURES OF
REMEMBRANCE:**
*Vietnamese Artists
and Writers Reflect
on the Vietnamese
Diaspora*



June 19 - August 17
E.O. HOPPÉ:
*Women Portraits of
Achievement in Art,
Science, Literature,
and Politics*



June 19 - August 17
LUNAR LEGACY
*Bronze Sculptures
by Oceana Rain
Stuart*

Image captions: 1927 Packard Custom Phaeton, Illustration by Jerome Beiderman; Textures of my Father, 2021, by Terri Trang Lê Textures of Remembrance is a traveling exhibit created in partnership by Exhibit Envoy, the Diasporic Vietnamese Artists Network and Oakland Asian Cultural Center. This project was made possible with support from California Humanities, a non-profit partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and California Arts Council, a state agency with a mission to strengthen arts, culture, and creative expression as the tools to cultivate a better California for all.; Dame Margot Fonteyn, 1935, Platinum Palladium Print, E.O. Hoppé Estate Collection; Reverie, Bronze, by Oceana Rain Stuart



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