



Museum Update During Temporary Closure Period

City Manager's Office &
Museum Department

City Council
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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE

Proposed Volunteer Docent Program

The minimum number of 40 candidates required to operate the proposed Volunteer Docent Program was not met. Hence, the Museum is not open on Saturdays during the temporary shutter period.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE

Archives

1. Moved out of Main Museum basement.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLSOURE, cont.

2. Public access through appointment and select collections at Main Library.
3. Museum archives will be included in City Archive as part of new Main Library.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE

Harada House

1. Structural engineering assessment determined substantial dry rot, and water and termite damage.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

2. Engineer's report.
3. Architect of record.
4. Harada House Foundation established for fundraising.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

Ongoing Programs

1. Heritage House remains open to public.
2. Sycamore Canyon Nature Center supervised by Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department.
3. Partnership with Riverside Art Museum for exhibition: "Uncovering Ancient Mexico: The Mystery of Tlatilco" opened in February 2018.



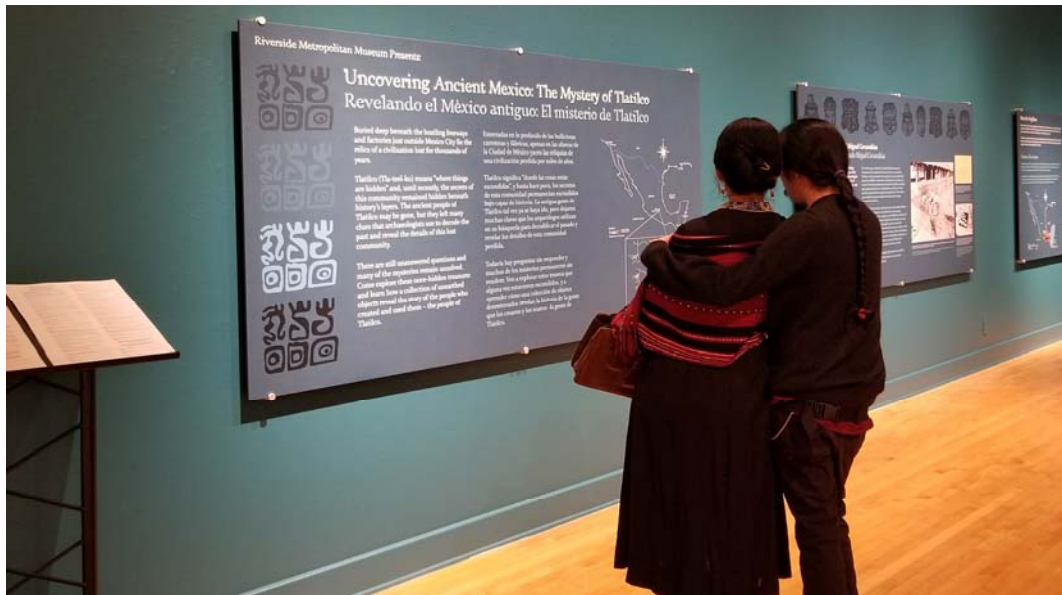
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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

4. The Cultural Affairs Division reverted back to the Community & Economic Development Department.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

5. Monthly Board Meetings continue – the Board now receives formal written reports on all action and discussion items.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

1. Addressing pest infestation in Natural History collection.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

2. Resolving compliance issues with building and fire safety codes at collections storage facility.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

3. Removal of non-collections items out of Collections Facility.
4. Processing incomplete transactions.
5. Completing overdue donor recognition commitments.
6. Collections Inventory deficiency - the new museum director is working to address this.



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

Nationwide Museum Director Search

Robyn G. Peterson
started December 20, 2017
as Museum Director



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ACTIVITIES DURING CLOSURE, cont.

New Director Initiatives:

1. RMM response to AAM for reaccreditation
2. Collections stewardship
3. Strategic plan
4. Fundraising, grants & donor relations
5. Vision for museum upon reopening
6. Community engagement for renovation and programs



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Questions, answers, and discussion



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