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“TEA! From Origin to the Cup: A Cultural Experience” –

A presentation at Casa de la Guerra on 1st Thursday

Join World-Renowned Tea Connoisseur David De Candia for a Talk and Tasting!



(Santa Barbara, CA) – The **Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP)** and **The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf** are proud to present a special talk by **David De Candia**, **production manager and tea buyer for Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf on Thursday, June 5, at the Casa de la Guerra**. As a master tea blender, De Candia has traveled the world honing his craft. Learn about the history of this

legendary drink as De Candia describes the complex art of tea making, including the way tea is grown, processed, brewed and served. De Candia will lead three sessions beginning at **5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 pm**, each to be followed by a tea cupping/tasting from a selection of Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf’s finest brews: **Chai Tea, Genmaicha Green Tea, Lemon Chamomile infusion and Jasmin Dragon Phoenix Pearl**.



Also on display in the museum as part of *1st Thursday* at the Casa de la Guerra, Twenty Juror's Choice paintings from Old Spanish Day's 2008 Fiesta Poster Competition. Also on display, **Views to Vistas: Impressions of Lockwood de Forest (1850-1932)**, a collection of landscape paintings by Lockwood de Forest exploring the contrast of the artist's early New York works to his later works in Santa Barbara and California.

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CALENDAR LISTING

"TEA! From the Origin to the Cup: A Cultural Experience"

A special presentation by tea blender David De Candia

DATE & TIME

Thursday, June 5, 2008

5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 pm

WHERE

Casa de la Guerra Historic House Museum

15 East De la Guerra Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

ADMISSION

FREE Event

Refreshments Served

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit www.sbthp.org or call (805) 965-0093

SHORT DESCRIPTION

Join the Trust and David De Candia, production manager and tea buyer for [The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf®](#), for a special tea tasting at the Casa de la Guerra. Learn about the history of this legendary drink while sampling some of Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf's most popular selections.

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ABOUT the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation – Founded in 1963 by Dr. Pearl Chase and other concerned community leaders, the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization working to preserve, restore, reconstruct and interpret historic sites within Santa Barbara County. The Trust is the primary force behind the reconstruction and preservation of El Presidio de Santa Barbara State Historic Park and the restoration of Casa de la Guerra in downtown Santa Barbara. The Trust is also

preserving and restoring the Santa Inés Mission Mills—the site of a future California State Park and recently purchased the building that housed Jimmy's Oriental Gardens, providing an opportunity to interpret the history of Santa Barbara's Asian community in the Presidio neighborhood. **The Trust is currently reconstructing the Northwest Corner of El Presidio de Santa Barbara, the eighteenth-century Spanish colonial fort that is Santa Barbara's birthplace.** Using over 50,000 adobe bricks made on site, these additions will eventually house the new Presidio visitors' center, and with the help of the new Santa Barbara Presidio Research Center, serve to interpret the city's Hispanic heritage, and the larger multi-cultural heritage of the surrounding Presidio neighborhood from the eighteenth century to the present. **For more information visit www.sbthp.org**

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