



Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation

El Presidio de Santa Bárbara SHP • Casa de la Guerra
Santa Inés Mission Mills • Jimmy's Oriental Gardens

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Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation Presents Presidio Pastimes by Candlelight



(SANTA BARBARA, CA) – The Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP) is pleased to present Presidio Pastimes by Candlelight on Thursday, February 4, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park.

Enjoy a rare opportunity to visit the Presidio by candlelight. Experience living history vignettes and see the Presidio as you might have over two centuries ago. Come by the Presidio and watch costumed *Soldados* and their families relax after a long day's work. Enjoy music and dances of early California, take a tour of the kitchen, or sit around the fire and listen to ghost stories at this free event.

CALENDAR LISTING

Presidio Pastimes by Candlelight

Date: Thursday, February 4, 2016

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Location: El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park

123 East Canon Perdido Street, Santa Barbara

Cost: Free First Thursday event

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For more information: Visit www.sbthp.org or call (805) 965-0093

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ABOUT Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP)— For over fifty years the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP) has worked to *protect, preserve, restore, reconstruct, and interpret historic sites in Santa Barbara County*. Founded in 1963 by Dr. Pearl Chase and other concerned community leaders, SBTHP operates El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park—Santa Barbara’s 18th century birthplace—under a unique agreement with California State Parks. The State has purchased the building that housed Jimmy’s Oriental Gardens, providing an opportunity to interpret the history of Santa Barbara’s Asian American community in the Presidio Neighborhood. SBTHP owns and operates Casa de la Guerra, the 1820s home of Presidio *Comandante* José de la Guerra and his family—the restored home is now a museum featuring original furnishings and rotating exhibits. SBTHP signed an agreement with State Parks to manage and develop the Santa Inés Mission Mills, located near the town of Solvang, as a future California State Park. In 2011, SBTHP was awarded the Trustees’ Emeritus Award for Excellence in the Stewardship of Historic Sites by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. With the help of continuing education programs and exhibits, SBTHP strives to encourage community involvement and foster an appreciation for Santa Barbara County’s distinctive history. **Learn more at www.sbthp.org.**

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