



TAKE A FIELD TRIP TO THE OJAI MUSEUM

Enter the walk-in diorama and discover animals of the Sespe Wilderness. Go on a scavenger hunt and learn the history of Ojai. Participate in a presentation about the Chumash. Visit the Chumash Interpretive Garden and study plants the Chumash used. Explore the Garden with a magnifying lens and search for plant parts. Learn about native plants. Plus visit our galleries showcasing the history, art and culture of the Ojai Valley. There's something for everyone!

Teachers of any grade are welcome to plan their own trip to the museum during regular museum hours. Or choose one of our personalized tours geared toward grades 1-4. Docents will lead groups in an activity in each of three areas. Activities by area include:

1 – CHUMASH INTERPRETATIVE GARDEN

- a) **Go on a scavenger hunt** looking for parts of a plant with a magnifying lens
- b) **Study Chumash use of a plant** and play a Chumash game

2 – WILSON HISTORY GALLERY

- a) **Learn about local animals in the Sespe diorama**
- b) **Go on an Ojai History scavenger hunt** searching exhibits for important facts and events in our town's history

3 – ROTATING GALLERY

- a) **Explore the gallery** showcasing special artist or history exhibit
Visit OjaiValleyMuseum.org to see what's on exhibit and the exhibitions schedule.
- b) **Learn about Chumash ways of life** with a Chumash Presentation

TOURS AVAILABLE: Tuesday through Friday from 9 to approximately 10:15 am.
Plan to be at the museum for approximately 60-75 minutes.

TO SCHEDULE: Contact Dawn at 640-1390 ex. 203 or OjaiMuseumDawn@sbglobal.net

DONATION: \$3/student. Up to six adults free; \$5/additional adult.*
Please bring donations when you arrive.

** Parent supervisors are encouraged. One adult per every five students is preferred. Supervisors will help guide students through the museum especially on the garden and history scavenger hunts. Information will be given to students/parents to help discuss exhibits. Please no younger siblings.*

SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE YOUR TRIP MORE FUN

RIDE THE TROLLEY to the museum

TROLLEY STOP: Across the street from the museum in front of the Bank of America

SCHEDULE: See trolley schedule and trip planning at OjaiTrolley.com

COST: \$1.50/person/ride one way or purchase 25 tokens from driver for \$30
FREE for kids under 45" tall

CONTACT: 272-3883 to ride or purchase tokens

WALK TO THE OJAI LIBRARY from the museum and discover the Secret Garden, sign up for a library card, check out a book, and listen to a story

PROGRAMS: Available Tuesday through Friday **Advanced Reservation Required**

CONTACT: Laura Thornhill, 646-1639 or Laura.aThornhill@ventura.org

HAVE LUNCH AT LIBBEY PARK to top off the trip and explore the new playground!

BEFORE COMING TO THE MUSEUM

Please do the following:

1. **Discuss museum etiquette and watch a YouTube video**
[YouTube video: Museums Rule! | KQED!](#) is a great 6 minute lesson on museum etiquette.
(Basic rules: walk, quiet voices, raise your hand if you have a question, listen to adults, no food or drink in museum, stay with group, backpacks left in the backpack area, stay 18 inches from art work, let plants be.)
2. **Have students log on to the Ojai Valley Museum Website** at OjaiValleyMuseum.org to see photographs of exhibits in the museum. (It's exciting when students arrive at the museum and see the exhibits they previewed.)
3. **Arrange to have at least 1 adult per every 5 students** willing to help guide students through the museum.
4. **If your class size is large**, divide your class into 3 groups. No more than 10 students per group is recommended.