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2019-2020 Annual Report
Thanks to you, we have been able to…

Inspire the Next Generation

Our vision is to be the premier local institution for inter-generational and inter-cultural sharing. We work hard to bring people of all ages together with our programming. 2019-2020 saw wonderful success with:

- Recruiting teens as docents. Under the tutelage of Foothill College Humanities Mellon scholar intern, Jocelyn Lambert, our cohort of 15 teen docents brought fresh ideas and energy to the museum, including an Escape Room adventure in the Smith House.
- Over 1/3 of our visitors were under 18!
- We had 244 essays submitted in the Margaret Thompson essay contest, which asked students from 3rd to 6th grade to choose a family photo and imagine themselves as one of their ancestors.
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Preserve our History

Making sure historic artifacts and local memories of events are able to survive far into the future is at the core of the Museum’s efforts to care for the past. This year we:

• Undertook an ambitious project to repair the roof of the Tank House, stopping water damage from further eroding this 100-year old structure. 80% of the cost was covered by a grant from the County of Santa Clara, but the project would not have gone forward without gifts and donations from our supporters. Thanks to you, the Spagnoli Tank House can now survive another 100 years.

• Conducted over a dozen oral histories with local residents ranging from World War II veterans to the founding artistic director of the Los Altos Stage Company.
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Tell New Stories

All of our special changing exhibits are made possible by membership dues and other donations. In 2019 and early 2020, we created three new in-house exhibits thanks to ongoing community support:

• *Silicon Valley Eats: A Taste for Innovation* celebrated our local food culture

• *Our Community Prepares: Acts of Nature Then and Now* examined the 30th anniversary of the Loma Prieta Earthquake

• *Gallery 9: Celebrating Art in Los Altos* showcased the talents of many local artists in honor of the gallery’s 50th anniversary.
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Expand our Community

Thanks to bedrock community support, and great board members, we were able to experiment with new fundraisers that brought new friends into the fold and exceeded our fundraising goals:

- New board member Nikki Andrews stepped in to organize a car-themed fundraiser at Auto Vino, sponsored by new board member Janis Ahmadjian-Baer.
- With no Crab Feed to look forward to last winter, we were so honored to be the recipient of the funds raised by the amazing Chef Chu’s 50th anniversary event.
- For Giving Tuesday, we held our first online fundraiser, led by new board member Ginny Badros, for the Museum Without Walls on Giving Tuesday, and it was a success.
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Keep Working

No one anticipated how much our world would change in March of 2020. But because of our generous donors, we had made investments in 2019 that allowed us to keep working during shelter in place:

- Adopted cloud-based systems
  - For board and volunteer communications
  - For donor management

- Hired tech-savvy new employees
  - Collection Strategist, Dianne Shen
  - Office Administrator, Andrew Mendoza