CALEDAR LISTING for January

El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos
21st Annual Celebration at Children’s Discovery Museum of San Jose
January 12 & 13, 2019

WHAT: Three Kings Celebration

WHEN: Saturday, January 12th; 12 noon to 4 p.m.
Sunday, January 13th; 12 noon to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Children’s Discovery Museum of San Jose, 180 Woz Way, San Jose

WHY: The Three Kings are widely celebrated by many cultures around the world. Children’s Discovery Museum brings to life rich traditions and colorful customs of family, gift-giving, music and arts and crafts based on the Three Kings observances in many Spanish-speaking countries.

SATURDAY at 12 noon a procession led by the three kings and a live camel and donkey will kick off the festivities in the museum’s outdoor space, Bill’s Backyard. Visitors can get up close to Freddie, the camel, and Beverly, the mini-donkey, and learn about these incredible animals on Saturday from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Visitors from all backgrounds are invited to join in the following festivities:

- enjoying lively traditional and contemporary song and dance performances
- making time-honored Mexican arts and crafts such as papel picado, corn husk dolls, and crowns
- becoming a quick study in tortilla-making and trying a bite of this culinary staple
- sampling the traditional Three Kings pastry, Rosca de Reyes

Photo opportunity for families: Adding to the joyful atmosphere, actors in Three Kings costumes will be mingling with visitors in the museum offering delightful photo opportunities with children and families.

The 21st annual El Dia de los Tres Reyes Magos is part of the Cultural Celebration series that includes Dia de los Muertos, Diwali Festival, Menorah and Miracles, Lunar New Year, Children of the Dragon, Proud of My Family, Lantern Festival, and Family Lunadas. As part of the museum’s Inclusion and Cultural Competence strategic commitment, the museum is committed to promoting the region’s diversity so that families of all backgrounds can explore the many cultures and traditions in Silicon Valley.

Cost of admission: adults: $15; children: $15; seniors: $14; infants and members are free. Festivities are included in the price of admission.
The Three Kings celebration was originally conceived and designed in partnership with an advisory board comprised of members of the Latino community.

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January Program in Bill’s Backyard

Migration Station and Take-Home “Migration Mobile”

Some animals travel almost halfway around the world to find food and a place to raise their babies. Learn about some of our local migratory animals like birds, butterflies, whales, and fish by making a take-home “migration mobile.”

Daily from 1 – 3 p.m. in the Outdoor Classroom

About Children’s Discovery Museum of San Jose

With over 150 interactive exhibits and programs, Children’s Discovery Museum of San Jose is one of the largest museums of its kind in the nation. Since opening its doors in 1990, the award-winning museum has welcomed over 9 million visitors and offers new exhibits each year that respond to children's diverse educational needs. In 2017, Bill’s Backyard: Bridge to Nature opened, doubling the museum’s exhibit space with a half-acre of nature exploration and science and environmental education. The striking 52,000 square foot purple building was designed by Mexico City-based architect Ricardo Legorreta. Encompassing the broad themes of community, connections and creativity, hands-on exhibits invite self-directed, open-ended explorations. For more information about the museum, visit www.cdm.org.