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El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos (The Three Kings) Celebration
Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose
January 12 & 13, 2019
12 noon to 4 p.m.

Ceremonial Procession with Live Camel, Donkey, and Three Kings

San Jose, CA – January 2, 2019 – The rich traditions and colorful customs of family, gift-giving, music, and art and crafts based on [The Three Kings](#) are brought to life at Children's Discovery Museum on January 12 and 13. A ceremonial procession featuring a live camel (*Freddie*) and mini-donkey (*Beverly*), led by the three kings, will kick off the museum's festivities at 12 noon on Saturday, January 12. Visitors can get up close to Freddie and Beverly and learn about these incredible therapy animals from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Epiphany – the Feast of Three Kings on January 6 marks the 12 days after Christmas in many cultures and Spanish-speaking countries around the world. In some traditions, children leave a shoe out before going to bed on January 5 and find gifts in or near their shoe in the morning in honor of The Three Kings Celebration.

Visitors are invited to join in the fun by:

- enjoying lively song and dance performances
- expressing creativity by making time-honored Mexican arts and crafts such as *papel picado*, king's crowns, and corn husk dolls
- 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 mingle with visitors in the museum offering delightful photo opportunities with children and families.

Saturday performances from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. Museum opens at 10 a.m.

- Sammy's Animation Dance Community – hip hop dancers
- Grupo Guerreros de Guadalupe – folklórico dancers
- Olga Loya –storyteller
- Victor Hugo Santos: Canciones Para Niños – songs for children
- Grito de la Cultura Dance Academy – folklórico dancers
- Mariachi Juvenil Corazón Jalisciense – youth mariachi performers
- Los Lupeños de San Jose – adult and youth folklórico dancers

Sunday performances run from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. Museum opens at 12 noon

- Brenda Lopez Folklórico - folklórico dancers
- Arte Flamenco de San Jose – flamenco dancers
- Mini Mix'd – hip hop dancers
- Ballet Flor de Café
- Los Panaderos – *Son Jarocho* ensemble (music from Veracruz, Mexico)
- Folklórico Nacional Mexicano – folklórico dancers
- Mariachi Juvenil Corazón Jalisciense – youth mariachi performers

WHERE: [Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose](#), 180 Woz Way, San Jose

WHY: 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.

The 21st annual [El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos](#) is part of the **Cultural Celebration** series that includes [Día de los Muertos](#), [Diwali Festival](#), [Menorah and Miracles](#), [Lunar New Year](#), [Children of the Dragon](#), [Proud of My Family](#), [Lantern Festival](#), and [Family Lunadas](#).

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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[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, visit www.cdm.org.