



California Department of
Parks and Recreation

Out of the Vault: Treasures from your California State Library New Exhibit at the State Capitol Museum

Sacramento, Calif. – May 28 marks the first day of the new year-long exhibit at the California State Capitol Museum. The exhibit will run through April 23, 2017. The museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The exhibit contains the rarest of the rare from the State Library's vault. Usually kept in our vault, these treasures on display provide a unique opportunity for you to view them up close and personal.

Among the treasures you'll find:

- Original hand-colored Audubon Plates from *The Birds of America*
- California's first newspaper, *Californian*, from 1846
- A map of California as an island circa 1666 →
- First edition volumes of *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck, *White Fang* by Jack London, and *Moby Dick* by Herman Melville
- James Marshall's hand-drawn maps of his discovery of gold in the Coloma Valley
- *An American Dictionary of the English Language*, by Noah Webster from 1828
- An original painting of the City of Sacramento from 1849 by George A. Frost



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About the State Library

Founded in 1850, the California State Library has an extensive collection of documents from and about the state's rich history, ranging from books, maps, miners' diaries, newspapers and periodicals to photographs, paintings and posters. The State Library also holds federal and state publications, and is home to the Bernard E. Witkin State Law Library, and the Braille and Talking Book Library. www.library.ca.gov

About the California State Parks

The mission of California State Parks is to provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation.