

JOURNEY FROM 1400-ACRE CITY PARK TO BALBOA PARK

HISTORY OF SAN DIEGO'S MAGNIFICENT CULTURAL CENTER



THE BALBOA PARK CLUB

In the heart of Balboa Park lies the beautiful Balboa Club

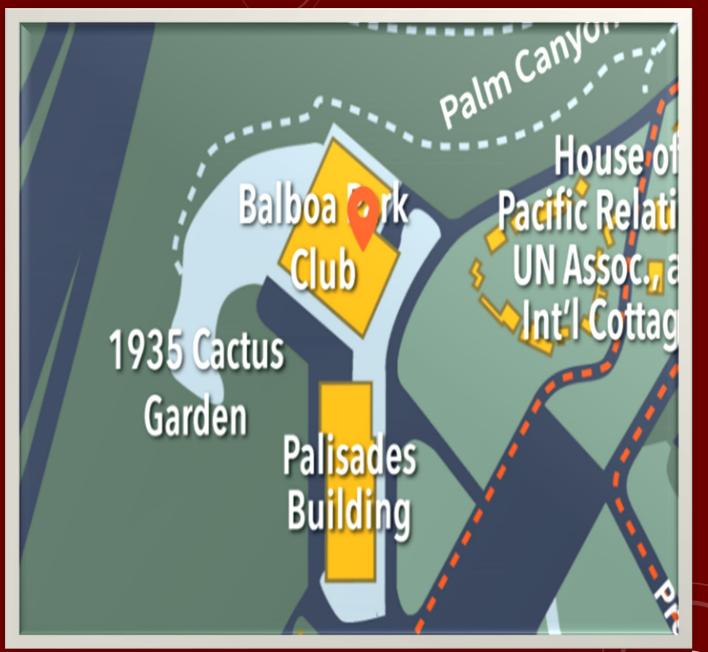
"The Journey from 1400-acre City Park to Balboa Park" is located in the building's grand foyer

The Balboa Club initially designed for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition

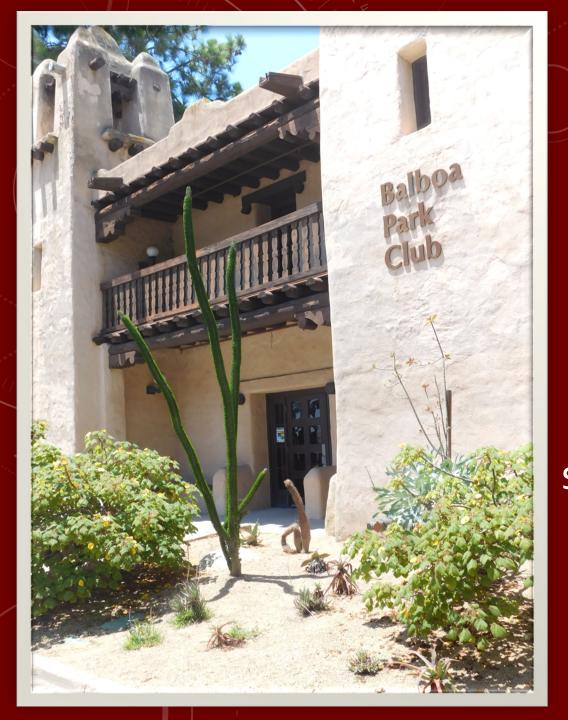
Constructed by sculptor Frederick Schweigardt and painter Belle Baraceneau

The Balboa Club is approximately 13,000 square feet

Original usage was to house the state of New Mexico's exhibits







Enjoy this timeless permanent exhibition created by the City Clerk's Archives Team as we pay a special tribute to the Parks and Recreation Department in documenting the City's government structure in the origination of an idea.

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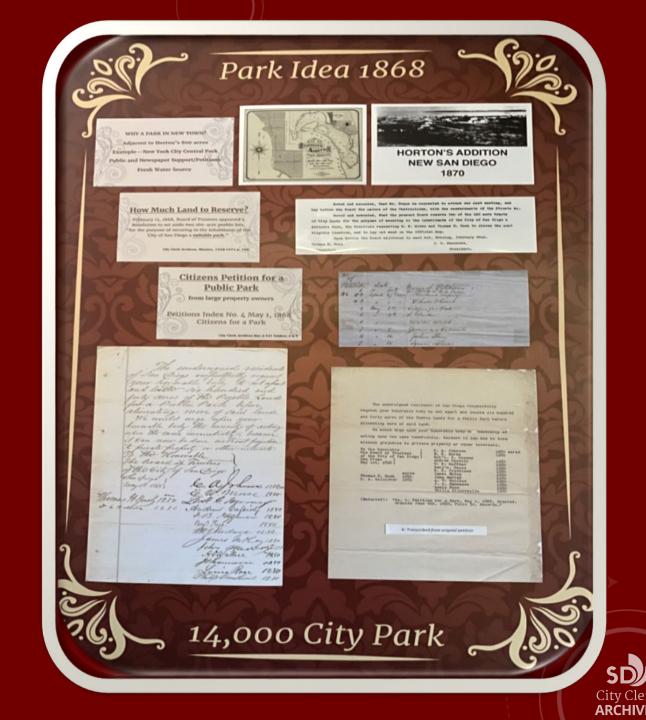
Founding City Park 1868

Step inside the grand foyer of the Balboa Club and take your very own self-paced journey from 1400-Acre Park to Balboa Park



Park Idea 1868

Come and explore the ideas, how these ideas came to fruition and what the intention and impact was



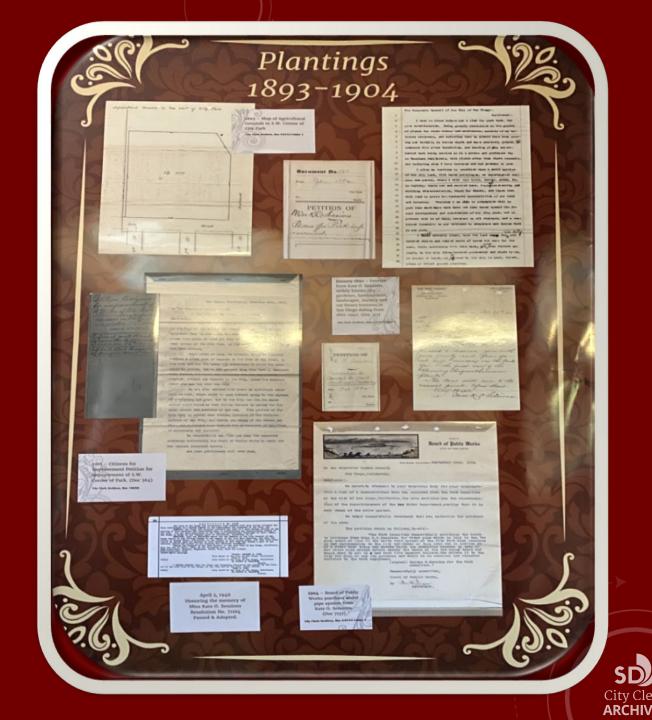
Park Designs 1891-1905

Learn who the pioneers were in formulating the park's aesthetically pleasing lush landscaped setting and meet "the Mother of Balboa Park"



Plantings 1893-1904

Find out about the distinct trees and plants throughout the park such as Ginko, Cinnamon, Mulberry, and the beloved Morton Fig Tree



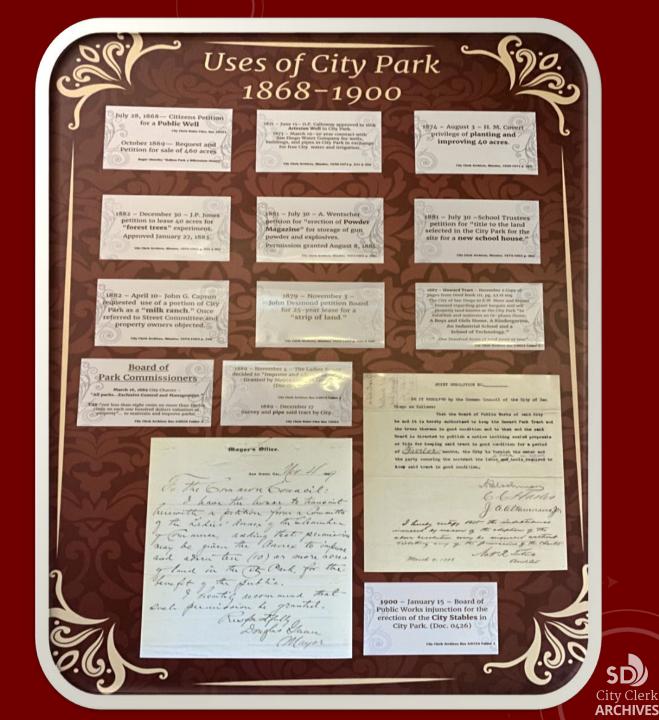
1400 – Acre City Park Name Change 1910 – 1913

Learn how the changes created the park we all know today as "Balboa Park"



Uses of City Park 1868 - 1900

See what a "Powder Magazine" is and read the letter the Mayor wrote to the Common Council in 1889



Park Activities Since 1915

Take a glimpse of the family-friendly activities hosted from 1915 through to 2020





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