

RSVP early for free Candlelight Tours of historic Olivas Adobe on Sunday, Dec. 13



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Discover how Old California Rancho families prepared to celebrate the year-end holidays with a free candlelight tour of the City of Ventura's historic 1847 rancho – the Olivas Adobe, located at 4200 Olivas Park Drive – on Sunday, December 13, beginning at 5:30 pm. Tours are conducted in groups and offered every twelve minutes – dress warmly. Tours are free but reservations are requested by calling 805-658-4726.

Each room of the two-story adobe home of Don Raymundo Olivas will be decorated in a different holiday tradition. Visitors will have an opportunity to enjoy history brought to life through costumed living history skits performed by the Olivas Adobe Historical Interpreters with live musical entertainment and refreshments.

The Holiday Candlelight Tours are a great way for families to get into the spirit of the season and have fun learning about life at a California Historical Landmark. The Olivas Adobe also features a gift shop that has traditional handcrafted items that visitors can purchase as gifts for the holidays.

The Candlelight Tours are presented by the Olivas Adobe Historical Interpreters, a volunteer non-profit group dedicated to preserving the only Monterey Style adobe home in Southern California from the Gold Rush era. Docents make the history of the Olivas Adobe come to life by celebrating its Chumash, Old West, Rancho and Latino heritage through weekend tours and year round special events.

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