

THINGS TO DO IN VENTURA:

<http://www.ventura-usa.com/>

The Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach offers year round sunshine and miles of clean, uncrowded beaches.

- 30 Minutes South of Santa Barbara
- Walking distance to Historic Downtown Ventura, and AMTRAK
- Next to the central coast's finest surfing



The Artist's Union Gallery

Home to a nonprofit arts organization that provides year round professional art exhibits and events that are open to the public. The gallery is located next to the Crowne Plaza Ventura hotel!

THE GALLERY AT THE CROWNE

Artwork by an array of artists adorn the walls and walkways of the entire first floor of the Crowne Plaza Ventura hotel and in the adjoining C-Street restaurant. All of the artwork is chosen especially for this hotel by an Art Curator.

All of the artwork is available for purchase by the hotel guests and visitors. The artwork displayed at the Gallery at the Crowne is diverse and its content is modified 3 times per year.

35 South Body Retreat

At Ventura's unique day spa, both Men & Women will indulge in relaxing facials, massages, hot stone therapy and body treatments

[Go to 35 South Body Retreat's website](#)

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City of Ventura Cultural Affairs Division
presents "Starlight Cinema"
free outdoor movie series
during the summer



Learn to Surf!
[Visit surfclass.com](http://www.surfclass.com)

C Street Longboard Classic
Held annually in the fall
www.cstreetlongboard.com.
Also, don't miss the
[C Street Surfing Museum!](#)



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Find out all that [Sail Channel Islands](#) has to offer from sailing lessons to weddings at sea!

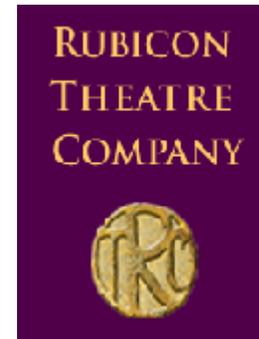
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The [Rubicon Theatre Company](#) is Ventura's premiere professional theatre company.

"Rubicon Theatre Company moves the local stage to a level so many for so long had hoped for... the best theatre around."
-Los Angeles Times



[Harbor Village](#) is Ventura's Center for shopping, dining and Sea Side Fun

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Cruising the California Channel Islands, [Island Packers](#) provides first rate transportation services for island hiking, harbor cruises, kayaking, whale watching and sightseeing.



The [Ventura County Museum of History and Art](#) is a thriving resource for local history and art. With three indoor galleries and one outdoor display, the museum will enhance your knowledge of Ventura heritage.

[Seaside Park](#) is the site of the annual 12-Day Ventura County Fair and hosts a wide variety of events throughout the year ranging from business meetings to concerts to equestrian events.

The logo for the Ventura County Fairgrounds is a teal rectangular box. Inside the box, the words "Ventura County Fairgrounds" are written in a white, serif font, with "AT SEASIDE PARK" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it.

Ventura County Fairgrounds
AT SEASIDE PARK

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The Crown Plaza Hotel is only steps away from Ventura's Historic Pier.

California AMTRAK runs through Ventura on its way north or south along the coast.



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Olivas Adobe Historical Park



National & State Historical Site

The Olivas Adobe Historical Park is owned and operated by the City of Ventura. On the site is the *Casa Grande*, Great House, which is part of the extensive Rancho San Miguel property awarded to Raymundo Olivas as part of a Mexican Land Grant in 1842, by then Mexican Governor, Juan Bautista Alvarado. The site also has a smaller *casa*, built around 1865 that served many purposes and is presently part of a two million dollar retro-fitting and rehabilitation of both structures. The large house, built with adobe bricks, represents the Monterey Style so common with the wealthy during the California Rancho Period when the state was part of Mexico. The *casa grande* is furnished with period pieces and other decor representing the Victorian time frame. The park also has an exhibit hall where the public can view monthly exhibits pertaining to the Californio Period and more current history. The gift shop, run by the docents, has many unique souvenirs and gift items found no where else. There are also a number of books for sale that satisfy one's knowledge of the history and foundations of the Ventura area. All proceeds are used for the improvement of the historical site.

On the grounds is the Ray & Jessie Monk Rose Garden, which is maintained by volunteers and the Master Gardeners organization. Other historic plants abound, but none is more famous that the oldest fuchsia plantars in the world, as so stated by known fuchsia expert, Leo Boulmeier of the Royal Fuchsia Society. The plantar, Schiller, 1869, was planted in around 1898 by Rebecca De la Riva, Olivas, the last Olivas family member to live at the *casa grande*. The public can visit the site on weekends from 11 to 4 pm. Docents in period costume are available to conduct tours with the public for a nominal fee. A reduced family rate is also available. The site adjoins the Olivas Public Golf Course. Olivas Adobe Historical Park, 4200 Olivas Park Drive, Ventura CA 93003, (805) 644-4346 Gift Shop