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# Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation to Honor Veterans with Ceremony at El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park



(Santa Barbara, CA)—The Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP) is hosting a Veterans Day Ceremony on Friday, November 11, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park. This free public event features a ceremony conducted by members of Los Soldados del Real Presidio de Santa Bárbara to honor armed service veterans, their families, and currently serving military members.

Members of the Santa Barbara Community Flute Ensemble will participate by playing songs of the American Revolution, and military vehicles from the collection of Rob Gordon will be on display. Veterans attending the ceremony will have the opportunity to speak to the audience and reflect on their service.

### CALENDAR LISTING



### **Veterans Day Ceremony**

Friday, November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park 123 East Canon Perdido Street, Santa Barbara, CA

Free event

For more information: www.sbthp.org or (805) 965-0093

ABOUT Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP)—For over fifty years the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP) has worked to protect, preserve, restore, reconstruct, and interpret historic sites in Santa Barbara County. Founded in 1963 by Dr. Pearl Chase and other concerned community leaders, SBTHP operates El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park—Santa Barbara's 18<sup>th</sup> century birthplace—under a unique agreement with California State Parks. The State has purchased the building that housed Jimmy's Oriental Gardens, providing an opportunity to interpret the history of Santa Barbara's Asian American community in the Presidio Neighborhood. SBTHP owns and operates Casa de la Guerra, the 1820s home of Presidio Comandante José de la Guerra and his family; the restored home is now a museum featuring original furnishings and rotating exhibits. In 2009, SBTHP signed an agreement with State Parks to manage and develop the Santa Inés Mission Mills, located near the town of Solvang, as a future California State Park. In 2011, SBTHP was awarded the Trustees' Emeritus Award for Excellence in the Stewardship of Historic Sites by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. With the help of continuing education programs and exhibits, SBTHP strives to encourage community involvement and foster an appreciation for Santa Barbara County's distinctive history. Learn more at <a href="https://www.sbthp.org">www.sbthp.org</a>.