



# Milpitas Muse

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## Alviso Adobe Official Opening Takes Place!

After many years of planning and hard work, the City of Milpitas, which bought this property in 1997, was finally able to officially open the beautifully refurbished interior of the Alviso Adobe on Wednesday, October 26, at 5 pm. After a welcoming and introduction by City Manager Steve McHarris, Muwekma Ohlone Tribe Vice Chairwoman Monica Arellano welcomed the attendees and gave a land blessing in the Ohlone language as well as in English.



*Monica Arellano (left) accompanied by her daughters, and her sister Gloria Gomez (right, and her son, gave the land blessing*

After congratulatory remarks by Milpitas Mayor Rich Tran, and a team acknowledgement by Steve McHarris of the many people who have contributed to the success of this opening, Mayor Tran officially opened the building, after which the attending city dignitaries were then given a tour of the new immersive audio-visual presentation of what life was like in the Adobe through its history.



*Milpitas Mayor Richard Tran, surrounded by City Council members and other city officials, cut the ceremonial ribbon*



*After the ceremony, an indigenous dance group gave a thrilling dance and drumming performance*

Special tours of the Adobe for our Society members will be available soon, stay tuned!

## Milpitas Historical Society's Proposed Board of Directors for 2023

At the Board of Directors Zoom meeting on Tuesday, November 1, the Board chose the following people to be voted on for the Board of Directors at our next regular meeting, which will be held in the auditorium of the Milpitas Library on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 7 pm. We hope we'll see you there for this meeting.

Because the library's networking system is not strong enough to support Zoom and in-person meetings, this and all future meetings will be in-person attendance only.

### ***Nominations: 2023 Board of Directors:***

President: Bill Hare.

Vice President: Catherine Pelizzari

Secretary: Carolyn Tiernan

Treasurer: Joe Ehardt

Hospitality: Unfilled position

Publicity: Harriett McGuire

History: Joanne Souza

Special Events: Danny Cospers

Membership: Jathin Ullal

Archives: Joe Ehardt

Educational Outreach Program: Joe Ehardt

Liaison to PRCRC: Joe Ehardt

## Pumpkins In the Park on Saturday, October 22

The City of Milpitas's celebration of Pumpkins in the Park at Cardoza Park again this year was a big success! The Milpitas Historical Society's newly Halloween-decorated Rolling Jail was popular with people who liked to pose in front of it and take photos of kids inside it.



The Halloween crafts booth, at which kids could make Halloween crafts and treats, such as lollipop ghosts, spooky popsicle sticks, and funny faces on paper pumpkins, was also popular.



Guests who were interested also learned about the Milpitas Historical Society and bought a few books to increase their knowledge about our local history.

## Sorry, No Meeting in November



The problem was that on the usual date of our meetings in the library, the auditorium will not be available, because the voting equipment will still be in there, and the other possible dates were also unavailable.



But we will have our traditional Christmas Party at the usual site, Kim Parker's and Peter Herrera's historic Last Word Ranch, at 430 Evans Road in Milpitas, on Sunday, December 11, starting at noon. We'll be sending out the details on what to bring and whom to confirm with right after Thanksgiving. We look forward to seeing you then.

In the meantime, we hope you had a fun Halloween and wish you a happy Thanksgiving celebration.

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