

# Summer Programs 2026

Renaissance Society of Sacramento | Program dates, registration openings, and event links

## Program Details

Each listing includes the event date, program time, registration opening date and time, description, and digital registration/website links. Registration openings include the matching event start time unless otherwise noted. All times are Pacific Time.

## June Programs

JUN

25

Thursday

### Sacramento Ballet: Beyond the Barre

**Event time:** 9:30 am - 11:00 am

**Registration opens:** Thursday, June 11, 2026 at 9:30 am

**Description:** Join us for Beyond the Barre: The Art & Training of Ballet at Sacramento Ballet. Step inside the studio and learn what it takes to become a professional ballet dancer, from the history of ballet to the rigorous training required to master this exquisite art form.

[Register on Eventbrite](#) | [Community Partner Website](#)

JUN

26

Friday

### Capital Public Radio Tour

**Event time:** 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Registration opens:** Friday, June 12, 2026 at 10:00 am

**Description:** CapRadio welcomes you for an exclusive learning session about the history and current programming of Northern California's NPR member station. During this behind-the-scenes experience, you'll explore studios and meet the people who create trusted news and inspiring music. Curious about how a live broadcast works? Have a favorite NPR moment to share? This is your chance to ask.

[Register on Eventbrite](#) | [Community Partner Website](#)

# July Programs

WEEK  
OF  
JULY

4

## No Event

**Time:** No summer program scheduled

There is no scheduled summer program during the week of July 4.

JUL

10

Friday

## Sacramento Zoo Tour

ADDITIONAL FEE

**Event time:** 9:45 am start

**Fee:** \$15 entrance fee + \$2.85 Eventbrite fee = Total \$17.85

**On sale:** Friday, June 26, 2026 at 9:45 am

**Description:** The Sacramento Zoo is home to more than 300 native, rare, or endangered animals. Its mission is to inspire appreciation, respect, and a connection with wildlife and nature through education, recreation, and conservation. We will gather in the Kampala conference room, adjoining the Kampala Cafe, at 10:00 am for a talk from senior staff about the challenges and rewards of running a zoo. At 10:30 am, we will split into groups of 20 for a docent-led tour focused on how the zoo maintains the physical and mental health of so many diverse species. Make a day of it!

[Register on Eventbrite](#) | [Community Partner Website](#)

JUL

17

Friday

## Sac State Planetarium: James Webb Space Telescope Show

CHOOSE ONE SHOW ONLY

**Event time:** 10:00 am - 11:00 am

**Registration opens:** Friday, July 3, 2026 at 10:00 am

**Important:** The two Planetarium shows are different. Members should register for only one Planetarium show.

**Description:** NASA's James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) has completed its third full year of image releases. This updated JWST show features new material from some of the best images and videos released during the third year of data, including intricate looks into nebulae, galaxies, and stars being born. Your astrophysicist host will explain what you are seeing and why it appears the way it does. It's a big universe out there - come explore it with us!

[Register on Eventbrite](#) | [Community Partner Website](#)

JUL

17

Friday

## Sac State Planetarium: Aurora Show

CHOOSE ONE SHOW ONLY

**Event time:** 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

**Registration opens:** Friday, July 3, 2026 at 1:30 pm

**Important:** The two Planetarium shows are different. Members should register for only one Planetarium show.

**Description:** Planet Earth's aurorae are more than a beautiful sight. They are ongoing proof of Mother Nature's planetary protection system, which helps keep life on Earth safe from the lethal dangers of outer space. Enjoy spectacular footage of the Northern Lights while learning about the science behind the lights and what they mean for us here on Earth.

[Register on Eventbrite](#) | [Community Partner Website](#)

JUL

24

Friday

## The Magic of Motown - Music, History, Legacy with Mike Agron

IN-PERSON + ZOOM

RECORDED

**Event time:** 10:00 am - 11:30 am

**Registration opens:** Friday, July 10, 2026 at 10:00 am

**Walk-in Music Starts:** 9:40 am

**Note:** This program will be recorded.

**Description:** Join us for a lively, music-filled journey into the formative years of Motown, when Berry Gordy Jr. turned ambition into a sound that transcended race, culture, and geography - and helped redefine popular music. We'll explore how that vision took shape and hear the hits that built the foundation, from Jackie Wilson and Marv Johnson to Barrett Strong, Smokey Robinson & the Miracles, The Marvelettes, Mary Wells, and The Contours.

[Register on Eventbrite for In-Person](#) | [Attend via Zoom](#)

## August Programs

AUG

7

Friday

## El Dorado Musical Theatre at the Harris Center

**Event time:** Early evening

**Description:** The date has changed to Friday, August 7. The experience will take place in the early evening. Program flyer and full description coming soon.