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Lively & Interactive “Time Travel Weekends” Begin in Old Sacramento – June 19 & 20

*Offered by the Historic Old Sacramento Foundation,
The New Street Theatre Program Continues Weekends through August*

OLD SACRAMENTO, Calif. -- “Time Travel Weekends,” a new and exciting street theatre program, is set to delight, entertain and engage Old Sacramento visitors with good, old-fashioned fun reminiscent of the Gold Rush era beginning on June 19 & 20. With this new program, the streets of Old Sacramento will be populated with teams of talented performers in period attire who will put on spontaneous and often-elaborate skits so visitors can step by in time to the 1850s-1870s. The new street theatre program is presented by the Historic Old Sacramento Foundation (HOSF) in partnership with the City of Sacramento, California State Parks, Old Sacramento Business Association and participating merchants and businesses.

Each weekend now through August, visitors to Old Sacramento can enjoy free historic re-enactments complete with heroes and villains, damsels in distress, children’s pioneer craft activities, historic sports, gambling, re-enactments of the Pony Express, military encampments, parades, historic events, medicine shows, musicians, dancers and jugglers. Additionally, the New Golden Melodeon Revue will perform a Gold Rush era variety show featuring luminaries of the time such as Lotta Crabtree, Lydia Thompson, Lola Montez and Sam Brannan.

The street theatre performances are focused around rotating themes throughout the summer. “Heroes & Villains: Melodrama and High Drama” is the theme of the first two weekends of the program -- June 19-20 and June 26-27 -- and will include special comedic performances by touring melodrama troupes that motivate audiences to cheer the heroes and boo the villains.

The new “Time Travel Weekends” in Old Sacramento are free to the public and are available on weekends (June 19 through August 29) from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The new program is designed to bring a lively and theatrical flare to the streets of Old Sacramento and reflect the exciting atmosphere and character of the early gold mining period. For a complete and updated performance schedule, visit www.historicoldsac.org.

About the Historic Old Sacramento Foundation

The Historic Old Sacramento Foundation (HOSF) is a 501(c)3 public benefit corporation. Old Sacramento is a living historic district. The mission of HOSF is to convey the importance of historic Sacramento as a place that connects our past to our present and future through engaging and entertaining events, activities and programs. More information is available at www.historicoldsac.org.

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