

# 3<sup>RD</sup> Annual Hayden's Ferry Days Celebration

A Celebration of Tempe History

March 2-4, 2018

Presented by Tempe Historical Society  
with Community Partners

## **OUR MISSION**

The Hayden's Ferry Days Celebration is an annual event that will raise the awareness of the rich culture and history of Tempe and involve community members of all ages in an engaging, informative and entertaining way.

## **EVENT DESCRIPTION**

The Hayden's Ferry Days Celebration is planned as a multi-day series of individual event venues, organized by several of Tempe's non-profit organizations and businesses. Each event venue will encompass several city wide locations and historic sites. It is designed to showcase Tempe's rich cultural and historic resources and highlight the unique contributions and missions of each participating organization.

## **HAYDEN'S FERRY DAYS HISTORY**

The Hayden's Ferry Days Celebration was conceived by the Tempe Historical Society as a signature event to celebrate Tempe's heritage and culture. Through community partnerships, this year's event will again feature Tempe History Museum, Petersen, Hackett, Eisendrath, Elias-Rodriguez houses, and other historic buildings and places in Tempe.

## **OUR VISION**

Our vision of the future is to build upon our successes and create a premier month-long event celebrating Tempe's founding with a Sesquicentennial (150th year anniversary) celebration in 2021.

## **OUR SHARED HISTORY**

The first settlers to move to the Tempe area, south of the Salt River and east of Phoenix, were Hispanic families from southern Arizona.

They helped construct the two first irrigation canals, the Kirkland-McKinney Ditch and the San Francisco Canal, and started small farms to the east and west of a large butte (Tempe Butte). In 1872, some of these Mexican settlers founded a town called San Pablo east of Tempe Butte.



Hayden's Ferry crossing the Salt River- circa 1890.  
Photo and History Courtesy of the Tempe History Museum

Another settlement, known as Hayden's Ferry, developed west of Tempe Butte. Charles Trumbull Hayden, owner of a mercantile and freighting business in Tucson, homesteaded this location in 1870.

Within a few years, he had built a store and flourmill, warehouses and blacksmith shops, and a ferry. This community became the trade center for the south side of the Salt River Valley. Both settlements grew quickly and soon formed one community. The town was named Tempe in 1879.

### **HAYDEN'S FERRY DAYS CELEBRATION**

The Tempe Historical Society is proud to be a part of Tempe's rich heritage and its future. This year, the Tempe Historical Society is celebrating its 49th anniversary with a community wide event. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Hayden's Ferry Days Celebration takes place on March 2- 4, 2018.

#### **FOUNDERS DINNER-MARCH 2, 2018**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Hayden's Ferry Day Celebration will kick off with a Founders Dinner thanking sponsors, donors, participating partners, friends and volunteers. The Founder's Dinner is hosted by Tempe Sister Cities Organization and the Tempe Historical Society, and will be held at the historic Hackett House in Tempe.

#### **THE FESTIVAL-MARCH 3, 2018**

The Hayden's Ferry Day Festival will be held at the Tempe History Museum and will highlight the museum, entry plaza, and community exhibits. In addition to surrounding the museum grounds with displays, antique & collectibles sale, booths, demonstrators, and food trucks, we will continue to show-case outstanding local and regional arts, music, and culture.

#### **HISTORIC TOUR DAY-MARCH 4, 2018**

Hayden's Ferry Days Sunday's events open with the *Walk Through History Tour* showcasing historic buildings in downtown Tempe. Our day continues with tours of the Petersen, Hackett, Eisendrath and Elias-Rodriguez historic houses. The day is completed with an afternoon High Tea at the at the historic Eisendrath house.

# EVENT CALENDAR

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## March 2, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Hayden's Ferry Days Founder's Dinner

\*Tempe Sister Cities Organization\*

Hackett House

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## March 3, 2018

Hayden's Ferry Days Festival

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

\*Tempe History Museum\*

Vintage & Antique Indoor Market

7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

\*Hayden Ferry Questers\*

Edna Vihel Arts Center

Tempe Community Complex

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## March 4, 2018

Hayden's Ferry Days Historic Tour Day

Walk Through History Tour

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Hackett House

\*Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation\*

Historic Petersen House Museum Tour

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

\*Tempe History Museum\*

Historic Elias-Rodriguez House Tour

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

\*Tempe History Museum\*

Eisendrath House Tour and Afternoon Tea  
2:00 p.m. (ticket required)

\*Rio Salado Foundation\*

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\*Event Host Organizer\*

## TEMPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THANKS THE FOLLOWING

### **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

TEMPE HISTORY MUSEUM

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HAYDEN FERRY QUESTERS

DOWNTOWN TEMPE AUTHORITY

VETERANS ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

TEMPE SISTER CITIES ORGANIZATION

TEMPE HISTORIC PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

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