

JPL HIKING +

www.jplerc.org/hiking



If you're interested in the colorful history of Los Angeles, come join us for a journey back in time:

El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument

<http://www.cityofla.org/ELP/index.htm>

A Walk to Celebrate the 219th Birthday of Los Angeles!

6:00 A.M. Monday, September 4, 2000

The El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument is near the site of the early Los Angeles pueblo where 44 settlers established a farming community nearby in 1781. Since that time, Los Angeles has been under the flags of three nations (Spain, Mexico, and the U.S.) and has grown into one of the world's largest metropolitan areas. In 1953, the oldest and most historic section of the city was designated as a state historic park, reflecting the heritage of many ethnic groups: Hispanic, Black, Chinese, French, Italian, and Anglo who contributed to the history of the city.

You are invited to participate in a **“Walk into History: On the Trail of the Original Settlers of Los Angeles – Los Pobladores.”** In September 1781, outfitting and orientation took place at Mission San Gabriel followed by the 9-mile trek to the river and valley where the pueblo was founded. Joining others of California's diverse cultures for the annual reenactment of this historic walk on the City's 219th birthday, we'll retrace the steps of the 44 people in 11 families plus 4 soldiers who, on September 4, 1781, founded **El Pueblo de la Reina de Los Angeles: City of the Queen of the Angels.**



Note: All walkers registered by August 30th will receive a **Free T-shirt** commemorating this event, and will be entered into a drawing to **win a FREE week vacation in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.** Winner must be present to win the vacation. Contact Nancy Feagans at 818-354-8341 for a “Walk into History” Registration Form. **(You must fax or mail the form to the organizers by Friday, August 25th.)**

Meet: at **Mission San Gabriel at 6:00 a.m. on Monday September 4th.** Park in the Mission parking lot. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring sunscreen, snack, water, hat, sunglasses, and camera (optional). Before the walk, an orientation for the walkers and a blessing by the Mission's Padre will take place. The walk takes approximately three hours, ending at Olvera Street Plaza in time for the City's birthday festivities. At your convenience, you can take a freeway bus back to San Gabriel to your car. Bus schedules will be available at the walk.

For more information or directions, contact Mickey Honchell at 818-354-3841.