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**Celebrate the 240th Birthday of San José  
at the Peralta Adobe-Fallon House Historic Site  
at San Pedro Square Market  
Saturday, November 18 – 11:00am to 4:00pm**

*San José, CA* – Mark your calendar for this milestone birthday! Wish the city of San José a happy birthday on Saturday, November 18, from 11:00am to 4:00pm at the Happy Birthday San José Celebration at the Peralta Adobe-Fallon House Historic Site! **Joining us for a one-hour presentation at noon will be Mayor San Liccardo and Consul General Juan Manuel Calderon Jaimes, Consul General of Mexico in San José.**

This birthday party for the founding of *El Pueblo de San José de Guadalupe* will include cake, tours of the historic Fallon House, and a variety of history-inspired hands-on activities for kids of all ages.

“The Peralta Adobe is such a unique and important place in San Jose and California history and we are so excited to celebrate and share it with the community”, said Alida Bray, CEO History San José.

Visitors can share a slice of birthday cake with San José’s founding family members, enjoy traditional folklorico dancing courtesy of Los Lupeños de San José and numerous hands-on activities and entertainment as you explore the Peralta Adobe. Join us in celebrating San José’s 240<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**Admission is free. Activity wristbands for children are \$5 each. Tours of the Fallon House are \$5.**

**The Peralta Adobe-Fallon House Historic Site is located at [175 West Saint John Street](#), in downtown San Jose, CA 95110. For more information call [\(408\) 918-1047](#) or visit [www.historysanjose.org](http://www.historysanjose.org)**

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The Fallon House was built in 1855 by one of San José’s earliest mayors. The Victorian mansion showcases 15 fully-furnished rooms typical of the Victorian period. Thomas Fallon was a frontiersman in the John C. Fremont expedition, and Carmel Fallon was the daughter of one of the most prominent Mexican landowners in California.

The Peralta Adobe is San José’s oldest address. Built in 1797, the Peralta Adobe is the last remaining structure from El Pueblo de San José de Guadalupe. See the Adobe’s horno, an outside working oven or venture inside the home and see two rooms furnished as they might have been when they were occupied by the Gonzales and Peralta families. It is now surrounded by the new San Pedro Square Market.

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About History San José:

History San José is a non-profit organization that collects, preserves and celebrates the stories of diversity and innovation in San José and the Santa Clara Valley. HSJ manages one of the largest and most comprehensive regional history collections in the State of California, from 1784 Spanish governmental records to twenty-first century Silicon Valley technology.

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