



Our Santa Barbara Courthouse

“A One-of-a-Kind Building”

Presented by: David DeSelm

Two Tuesdays: Oct. 15 and 22, 2019 ■ 9:30 a.m.–12 noon

*Covarrubias Adobe, Santa Barbara Historical Museum
713 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara*

How did our Courthouse get its design? We might also ask, “Why are there castles in Spain?”

This seminar explores what inspired the community leaders of Santa Barbara to decide that the Courthouse should be designed in the architectural style of southern Spain, and then, how the building actually got its “National Historic Landmark” design.

We’ll look at key events and people who shaped the Spanish image of Santa Barbara, the effect of the earthquake in 1925, architectural relationships to Spain, and the creativity of two architects whose talents produced such a special building.

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Preferred registration deadline: October 1, 2019

Enrollment form: Our Santa Barbara Courthouse

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Then we'll examine how the city of Santa Barbara continued to evolve after the completion of the Courthouse from a typical 19th-century Victorian town into a world-famous expression of its Spanish heritage.



David DeSelm was a Peace Corps volunteer in Tunisia from 1968 to 1970, working as an architect for the Tunisian Directorate of Historic Monuments. As an architect registered in Washington, DC, David followed a career in planning and design of major international development projects in North Africa, the Middle East, Asia, and Latin America as well as California and Hawaii. David and his wife, Jane (a VISTAS Board member), have lived in Santa Barbara since 2008.

VISTAS Calendar

Seminar / Event	Inclusive dates	Time	Venue
Annual Fall Picnic	Sunday, September 8	12:30 pm	Tucker's Grove
Nonfiction Book Club	2nd Thursday monthly	1:30 pm	Vista del Monte/Sierra Madre Lounge
Documentary Film Club	3rd Thursday monthly	2:00 pm	Maravilla Theater
A Roadmap for End-of-Life Decisions	Wed. Sep 11, 18, 25, Oct 2	9:30 am	Bethany Congregational Church
Our Treasures Offshore: The Channel Is.	Tues. Sep 24, Oct 1, 8	9:30 am	Music Academy of the West
Shakespeare's <i>Measure for Measure</i>	Thurs. Sep 26	9:30 am	Bethany Congregational Church
Trip to the Ensemble Theatre Co.	Sun. Oct 6	2:00 pm	New Vic Theater
Our Santa Barbara Courthouse	Tues. Oct 15, 22	9:30 am	Covarrubias Adobe
The Imperial Presidency	Mon. Oct 28, Nov 4, 11, 18	9:30 am	Bethany Congregational Church
The Labors of Operatic Love	Tues. Oct 29	9:30 am	Music Academy of the West
Intimacy Across the Lifespan	Wed. Oct 30, Nov 6, 13	9:30 am	Montecito Covenant Church
A Trip to the Opera: <i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Sun. Nov 3	1:45 pm	Granada Theater
Everybody Comes to Rick's (cinema hist.)	Wed. Nov 20, Dec 4, 11, 18	9:30 am	Maravilla Theater
Evolution of Japanese Gardens	Mon. Nov. 25	1:30 pm	Montecito Covenant Ch. + Lotusland
Golden Age of the Hollywood Musical	Mon. Dec 2, 9, 16	9:30 am	Music Academy of the West