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Harris-Lass House Museum

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Annual Harris Lass Museum Flea Market

On Saturday, September 20th on the Harris Lass grounds and lawn, 1889 Market Street (west of Winchester) in Santa Clara, the Museum will hold its Annual Flea Market.



Photo credit: Dorothy Tsang

The event is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Come to browse and enjoy the Museum grounds! Search for bargains, unique crafts and décor, and unexpected treasures. Look for a one-of-a-kind gift for the upcoming holidays.

The Museum will be selling unneeded donations and deeply discounted gift shop clearance items. In addition, over a dozen members of the Museum will have tables, selling their own crafts and/or rummage. For more information, email info@harrislass.org or leave a message by calling (408) 249-7905 or check out the Museum's website at: <https://harrislass.org/events/>.

Photos with Santa Event Returns to Harris Lass Museum

The largest beneficiary of proceeds from the annual Santa Clara Home Tour (see article on page 2) is the Harris Lass Museum. Although the Museum is **not** on this year's tour, as a bonus and an appreciation for the Tour, on Sunday, December 7th only, from 12 Noon to 2 p.m. -- Santa Claus will be visiting the Harris Lass Museum.

Home tour ticket holders, members of the community, and families with children of all ages are invited to see the first floor of the Harris Lass House and to have a picture taken with Santa as he sits in the double parlor, near a lovely Christmas Tree, greeting visitors. Cookies will also be available in the Barn.

This is a free event, and no tickets or reservations are required. You do not need to have participated in the Home Tour to attend!

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Santa Clara Historic Home Tour 2025

The Historic Home Tour is a delightful long-running Santa Clara holiday tradition. It is scheduled for Friday, December 5th from 6 pm-10 pm and Saturday, December 6th from 12 Noon -5 pm. Last tour begins one hour before closing.

Four private homes plus the Santa Clara Fire Museum on 1900 Walsh Avenue will be on the 2025 Tour. The private homes are all in the Old Quad district of Santa Clara on Washington, Jefferson and Madison streets. For the first time in over a decade, the Franck Mansion (pictured below) a beautiful 1905 Colonial Revival-style home will be back on the Tour. Also on the Tour a lovely 1905 Queen Ann/Colonial-revival-style home, a charming circa 1911 Craftsman Bungalow, and an early 1900s laborer's cottage.

Early Bird tickets will go on sale, beginning October 1, 2025, for \$25. Beginning November 1st, the price for all tickets will be \$30. Tickets are available either online or by mail. For online orders, beginning October 1st, go to the website, <https://sc-hometour.com/>. Customers will receive an email receipt with additional tour details. For mail orders, print off the order form on the website. Customers will then receive a receipt by mail with tour details. All mail orders must be received by Saturday, November 22, 2025.

Tickets can be purchased for the first couple of hours on the days of the tour at the Santa Clara Woman's Club Adobe, 3260 The Alameda, Santa Clara, CA 95050 but will cost \$35 each.



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The Adobe will also be the point of check-in for the Tour to pick up your wrist bands. The tour map and booklet will be available there, raffle baskets will be on display and raffle tickets may be purchased.

Inquiries about the Home Tour may be left on the Harris Lass message line at 1-408-249-7905 or emailed to info@harrislass.org.

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*****Please note that Saturday, September 6th 12 noon to 2 pm will be the last day of scheduled docent tours of the museum for 2025.**