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MUSEUM EXHIBIT IS A WALK THROUGH TEMÉEKU

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. — “A Walk Through Teméeku” is a unique glimpse into the ancestry and culture of the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians. Hosted by RAFFMA, the Robert and Frances Fullerton Museum of Art at Cal State San Bernardino, the exhibition will be on display Feb. 25-May 22, 2013, with an opening reception Saturday, Feb. 23, from 5-7 p.m. at RAFFMA.

Located in the Temecula Valley, Teméeku is one of the first villages of the Luiseño people, inhabited from at least 10,000 years ago.. “A Walk Through Teméeku” represents thousands of years of Luiseño culture and life through archaeological artifacts and other cultural objects.

Since the 1950s, archaeological excavations in the Temecula area have uncovered a variety of pottery, shell, bone and stone artifacts. But the significance of Teméeku goes beyond the artifacts. They represent the artistic legacy of the ancestors of the modern Luiseño people.

The exhibition is organized by the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians Cultural Resource Department in partnership with Thomas Long, associate professor of history and coordinator of internships and public history at CSUSB, and was made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services.

About RAFFMA

The Robert and Frances Fullerton Museum of Art is a nationally recognized museum accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. The only accredited art museum in San Bernardino, RAFFMA has accumulated a permanent collection of nearly 1,200 objects focusing on Egyptian antiquities, ceramics and contemporary art. Located at Cal State San Bernardino, RAFFMA houses the largest permanent and public display of Egyptian art in Southern California.

General admission to the museum is free. Suggested donation is \$3. Parking at Cal State San Bernardino is \$5 per vehicle. The museum is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and is closed Friday and Sunday. For more information, call (909) 537-7373 or visit the RAFFMA website at <http://raffma.csusb.edu>.

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