12:15-1:30 All Attendee Luncheon
Stanley Mosk Library & Courts Building, Fifth Floor, Room 500 (California State Library)

The Tower Records Project: It was More Than Music
In 2009, Tower Records founder Russ Solomon donated over 200 boxes of Tower-related history—artwork, photographs, memorabilia, awards, business records and correspondence, office furnishings and even the neon signs from the first stand-alone store—to the Center for Sacramento History. The Tower Records Project is a campaign to fund the preservation of Russ’ gift and make it publicly available for research and display. Center archivists will discuss the effort to document and tell this unique Sacramento story.

Rebecca Crowther, Center for Sacramento History
Dylan McDonald, Center for Sacramento History

1:30-1:45 Break
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1:45-2:45 Plenary Address
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A Tale of Two Journeys: The Remarkable Stories of the Stephens-Townsend-Murphy Party of 1844 and the Mormon Battalion of 1848
Gary Noy, Professor of History, Sierra College

3:00-4:00 Site Tours
California State Archives
California State Library
Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park

Society of California Archivists & Gold Country Archivists Mini Conference
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9:00-4:00
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9:00-9:30 Registration
California State Archives Lobby

9:30-9:45 Welcome
Secretary of State Auditorium
Remarks by Nancy Lenoil, California State Archivist and Ellen Jarosz, President of the Society of California Archivists, including the presentation of the Archival Award of Excellence to Patricia Johnson, Senior Archivist at the Center for Sacramento History.

9:45-10:45 Plenary Address
Secretary of State Auditorium
River City and Valley Life: Collaborative Research & Writing
Christopher Castaneda, Professor of History, California State University, Sacramento
Lee Simpson, Professor of History, California State University, Sacramento

River City and Valley Life includes the contributions of seventeen authors who together created a comprehensive history of Sacramento’s urban and environmental development. The presentation will discuss the process of bringing together these authors and developing an edited book on Sacramento’s history.

10:45-11:00 Break
Secretary of State Courtyard & Constitution Wall

11:00-12:00 Concurrent Sessions
Session I: Pay It Forward: Volunteers in the Archive
California State Archives Staff Library, Fourth Floor
This session will focus on how to attract, train, and reward your volunteers. We will also hear from a volunteer and learn about why they chose to volunteer.

Dylan McDonald, Center for Sacramento History
Meredith Sarmento, Yolo County Archives
Jennifer Morrissey-Myard, California State Library volunteer
Moderator: Elena Smith, California State Library

Session II: Implementing ArchivesSpace: Approaches, Challenges and Solutions
California State Archives Audiovisual Research Room, Fourth Floor
This session will focus on the various technical stages, approaches, and tools used by the speakers at their respective University of California institutions during the implementation of ArchivesSpace. The session will address changes to collection management policies because of the new application, if ArchivesSpace is effective at managing collection information, and how the application is helping institutions better enhance user access and discovery to their archival collections. Lessons learned and plans for the future will also be discussed. Attendees from UC and non-UC institutions will walk away from the session with ideas and strategies on how to define requirements, goals, and objectives for their own implementation of ArchivesSpace.

Margaret Hughes, University of California, San Francisco
Kate Tasker, University of California, Berkeley (Bancroft Library)
Emily Vigor, University of California, Berkeley (Environmental Design Archives)
Moderator: Jared Campbell, University of California, Davis

Portions of this session were presented during a lightning talk at the Western Roundup joint conference on May 30, 2015.

Session III: Engaging Primary Sources
California Museum Conference Room, Second Floor
This session will focus on different approaches to teaching primary source research skills and information literacy. In the digital age, it can be challenging to teach students how to engage and understand primary sources of all formats. Presenters from three different universities will discuss their methods of integrating primary sources into instruction and teaching primary source research skills to students.

Ellen Jarosz, California State University, Northridge
Mattie Taormina, Stanford University
Julie Thomas, California State University, Sacramento
Moderator: Linda Johnson, California State Archives

12:15-1:30 All Attendee Luncheon
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