

DOCENT TRAINING SCHEDULE 2027 (08/22/26) - 1st Tentative Draft

Session 1 Jan 6th All Wed night sessions start at 6pm	Meet the Museum & Course Intro - (50) , Karen McClafin, Doug Cook, Ralph Carbone, et. al	Docenting 101 (30) Gary Stringfellow	The Brass Era (30) Ed Silva	Museum New Docent Intro Tour 101 (30) John Smith & John Tennyson		8:45 PM adjournment* times include allowance for announcements & 2 10 or 5 minute breaks between talks
Session 2 Jan 13th	Intro Staff & Mentoring - John David (15)	Auto Beginnings (60) Greg Alumbaugh	Makin' er Go(50) Gas & Steam Burl Skaggs			8:35 PM adjournment
Session 3 Jan. 20th	The Industry 1 & 2 Kim Nelson (60)	Docent Floor Session 102 (90) Bob Daloia & 6 Current Docents TBD				8:50 PM adjournment
Session 4 Jan. 27th	Museum History (15) Bob Daloia	European-American "Hybrid" cars (45) Doug Cook	How Cars Changed Our Lives (45) Gary Stringfellow & Denny Albrecht	The Open Road Gary Stringfellow (45)		9 PM adjournment
Session 5 Feb 3rd	Buick (35) Roger Thibault	Oakland & Pontiac (30) Paul Tanner	Olds & REO (30) John Tennyson	Leland & Cadillac (50) Bob Daloia		9 PM adjournment
Session 6 Feb 10th	Chevrolet (30) Rob Millberry	The Camaro (30) Jim Forshey	European Cars (45) Gary Stringfellow	Museum Safety Tour (20) TBD		8:40 PM adjournment
Session 7 Feb. 13th SAT. 9am	Hot Rods/Street Rods/Customs (90) Bruce Woodward	Ford Model T in Racing (90) Ed Archer				1 PM adjournment
Mentoring start	week of February 14					
Session 8 Feb. 17th	American Austin & Bantam (40) Lynn James	Racing - California & Pre-WW II. (45) Bruce Woodward	Early Ford V8 - 1932-1953 (45) Bruce Woodward			8:45 PM adjournment
Session 9 Feb, 24th	AP Giannini & the Lincoln KB (70) Bob Daloia & Ron Gomes	Model A Ford (40) Al Smith	The Mustang (30) Joe Praxel			8:55 PM adjournment
Session 10 March 3rd	Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg (40) Allan McCrary	Women & the Automobile (40) Delta Pick-Mello	Docenting 103 - Floor Exercise Hands-On (60) John Smith			8:50 PM adjournment
Session 11 March 10th	Cars of the Far East (50) Steve Koonce	The British Industry (45) Jared Seese	Kaiser-Frazer (25) John Tennyson			8:30 PM adjournment

Session 12 March 17th	Packard (35) Garry Gunderson	Studebaker (30) Perry Knopf	Electric Cars & the Future (50) Ken Rothaus			8:30 PM adjournment
Session 13 SAT. March 20th	School Ed Tours / Touch tours, group tours, Motorworks, etc. (20) John Tennyson & Bob Daloia	Henry Ford & Pre- T's (60) Ernie Hartley	Dr. Porsche & His Cars (60) Kim Nelson			12 noon adjournment
Session 14 March 24th	Hudson & Nash (50) John Tennyson	American Motors (35) Greg Winters	Docenting 104 Workshop (60) John Smith			9 pm adjournment
Session 15 March 31st	The Industry 3 (30) Kim Nelson	Museum Orphan Cars - Pre-WW II & the Early Period (50) Rick Armstrong	Willys-Overland & Jeep (30) Dennis Larson			8:30 PM adjournment
Saturday ** April 3rd Optional Field Trip	Blackhawk Museum, Danville - Meet 10am Bob Daloia & John Tennyson	Tour of Blackhawk Museum (90) Tim Dormody				12 noon finish approximate
Session 16 April 7th	The Automobile & African Americans (30) Cynthia Mills	Lincoln (40) Ed Silva	Docenting 105 - Workshop (60) Ed Silva			8:40 pm Adjournment
Session 17 April 14th	Special Needs Museum Visitors (40) Karen McClafflin	Dodge Bros. (40) Eric Seifert	Chrysler (40) John Tennyson			8:35 pm adjournment
Wrap up Mentoring in 1 week						
Session 18 April 21st	Indianapolis 500 & NASCAR (55) Mark Glover	Post WW2 Racing (30) Bill Sessa	The Environment & Cars (40) Bill Sessa			8:35 pm adjournment
Session 19 Saturday April 24th 9:30 am Model T Drive	Model T (Drive & Movie) (120) Richard Markwell & Model T Club ***	LUNCH	Model T Motorworks for Docents (40) John Tennyson & Motorwks Docent Crew			Finish 1 pm Approx
Finish Mentoring						
Session 20 April 28th	Museum Library (30) Ron Grantz	Restoration (60) Dave Felderstein	Low Riders (40) Carlos Rodriguez			8:30 pm adjournment
Saturday ** May 1st Optional Field Trip -	National Auto Museum, Reno - Meet in Reno at 9:30 am Bob Daloia	1st Session (120)	Lunch TBD	2nd Session (60)		2 pm Approx

Graduation Saturday May 15th	Graduation & Car Show @ the Museum 10 am - 1 pm	NOTES: The first 5 - 15 minutes or so of each session are administrative. All sessions run 6:00pm to 8:30 -9 pm, except Saturdays, which are 9 am 12:30 - 1 pm .	***For Model T session, we also enjoy Model T driving support courtesy of members of the Sacramento Valley Model T Ford Club.	Field Trips **Blackhawk and National Museum field trips gather at those museums at 10:00am or 9:30am, as noted	Number in Parentheses following subject means: Estimated Length in Minutes e.g, ("30").	Adjournment Times Approximate
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