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ZORRO UNMASKED EXHIBIT EXTENDED

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA. – August 9, 2010 – By popular demand, “Zorro Unmasked,” (© 2010 Zorro Productions, Inc., All Rights Reserved) will remain on display at Mission San Juan Capistrano through Labor Day, Sept, 6, 2010.

This unique exhibit showcases the cinematic history of Zorro from past films and television shows and features original costumes worn by actors Antonio Banderas and Catherine Zeta Jones from the 2005 film The Legend of Zorro.

Visitors also can enjoy observing original film props and related items from the films of silver screen stars including Douglas Fairbanks, Tyrone Power and Guy Williams. An array of related Zorro items from pop culture, film, television, magazines and books also are on display.

The Zorro Unmasked exhibit opened June 1 and was scheduled to close Aug. 31, but the popularity of the exhibit has resulted in the extended opening, allowing more time for first-timers to experience Zorro, as well as others to come back and see it a second time. The exhibit is free to members with daily viewing hours from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the refurbished West Wing Building.

For a detailed listing of events, visit www.missionsjc.com or call the events hotline at (949) 234-1315.

About Mission San Juan Capistrano:

Known as the “Jewel of the Missions,” Mission San Juan Capistrano is a historic landmark and museum that boasts of quality permanent exhibits featuring original artifacts as well as traveling and temporary exhibits on a wide variety of topics.

The site itself serves as a living outdoor museum with original buildings constructed by Native Americans in the 18th century including the Serra Chapel, Great Stone Church, and the original padres’ quarters of the South Wing.

The Mission was founded on November 1, 1776 by Padre Junipero Serra as the seventh in the chain of the twenty-one California missions established by Spain, and is Orange County’s only mission. Every year, over 50,000 students visit the Mission and engage in an inspirational learning experience via the Mission Matters programming, as part of their State required California history studies.

Mission San Juan Capistrano is owned by the Diocese of Orange and is supported by the Mission Preservation Foundation, which is comprised of business and community leaders committed to ensuring the long term preservation and viability of Orange County’s only Mission. The Mission receives no funding from either the Church or the State of California and charges admission funds as a means of providing public access.

Mission San Juan Capistrano is located at 26801 Ortega Highway, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Open Daily 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Good Friday afternoon. Admission is \$9 adults; \$8 seniors (60 years or over); \$5 children (ages 4 to 11); and children ages 3 and under are admitted free. Free audio guide with senior and adult admission. For more information, call (949) 234-1300 or visit www.missionsjc.com.

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