

Walking Tours

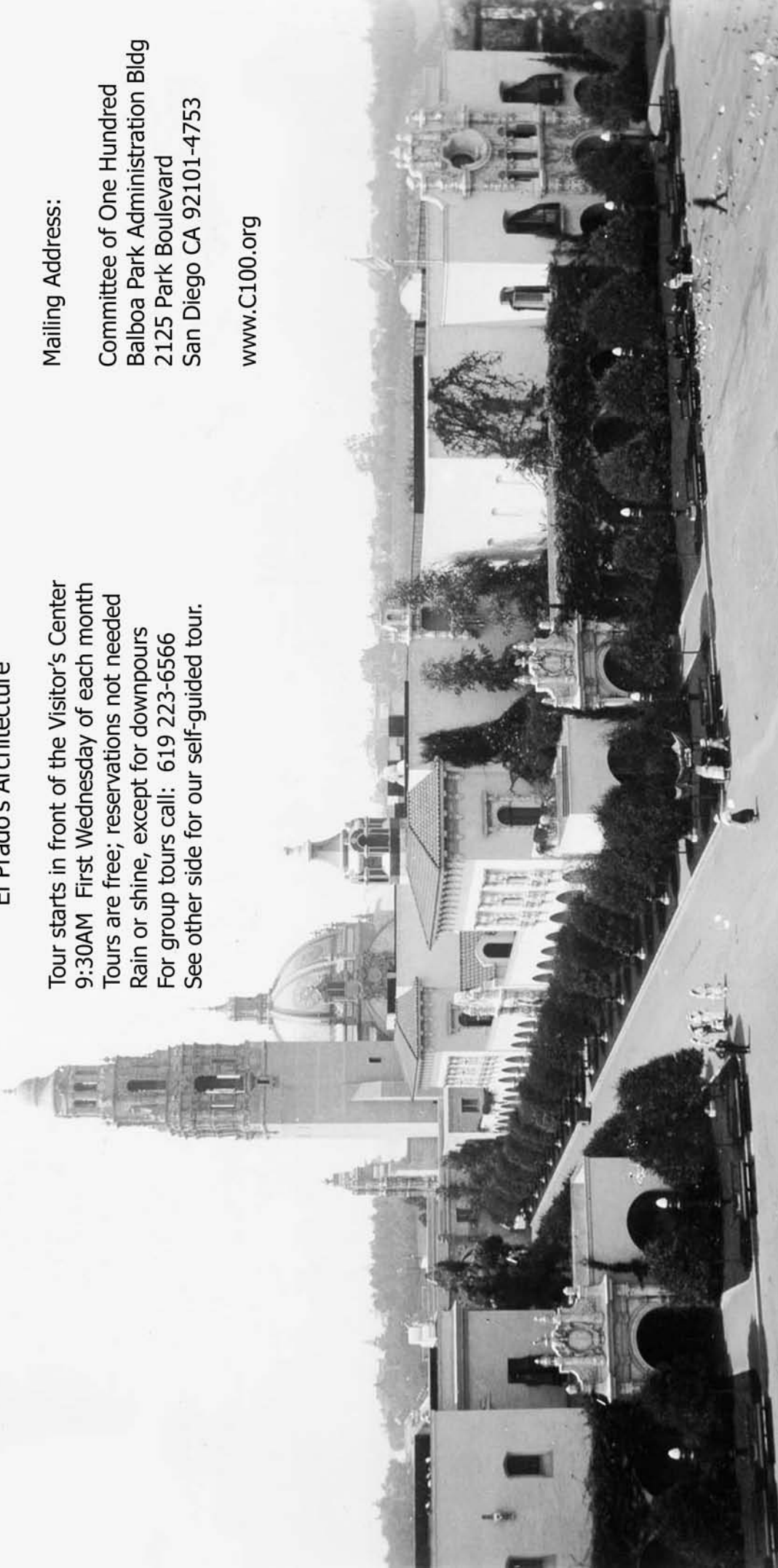
THE COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED
Our Conducted Tours Explore
El Prado's Architecture

Tour starts in front of the Visitor's Center
9:30AM First Wednesday of each month
Tours are free; reservations not needed
Rain or shine, except for downpours
For group tours call: 619 223-6566
See other side for our self-guided tour.

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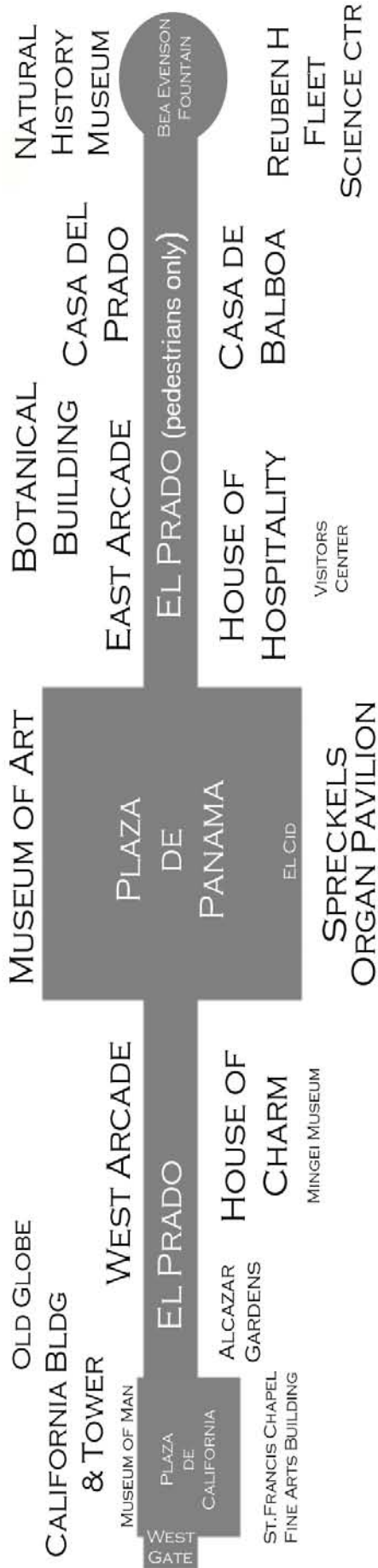


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DEDICATED TO THE PRESERVATION OF
SPANISH COLONIAL ARCHITECTURE IN BALBOA PARK

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SELF-GUIDED EL PRADO WALKING TOUR
WITH FEATURES OF MAIN BUILDINGS



Some Features Common to Several of the Buildings

Deep-set windows let light in, keep heat out. Shell-motif entryways (at a time of general illiteracy in Europe, these signified that pilgrims were welcome)

House of Hospitality—Rebuilt 1998

Sense of pageantry in the architecture. In cupola, unfurled flags of countries of the Pan-American Union. VISITORS CENTER

Casa de Balboa—Rebuilt 1981

Replaced burned-out Electric Building. Beautiful iron railings, Reuben-esque figures at roof level

Casa del Prado—Rebuilt 1970

Formerly Food & Beverage Building
Grapevines around pillars.

East Arcade—Rebuilt 1992

Originally part of the 1915 Home Economy Building

Museum of Art—Built 1926

Top: San Diego Seal: galleon/wheat/flower/bell
Next: Seals of Spain/USA/California. Above entry: Artists Ribera/Velasquez/Murillo/Zurburan/El Greco.
Entry level: Replicas: Michelangelo's David and Donatello's St. George.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion—1915 Original

House of Charm—Rebuilt 1996

Mission Style is another example of Spanish Colonial

West Arcade—Rebuilt 2005

Originally part of the 1915 Science & Education Building

California Building & its tower—1915 Original

200-ft Tower with Spanish Galleon Weathervane
On adjacent dome, a Latin inscription from Deuteronomy 8:8. Translated "A land of wheat and barley and vines and fig trees; a land of olive oil and honey"

California Building Facade

Top: Father Serra under USA shield and flanked by Philip III & Charles II of Spain.
Window: Vizcaino (named our bay San Diego in 1602) and Cabrillo (discoverer of our bay in 1542)

Door, left: Vancouver (1783) & FRA Jayme (martyr)

Door, right: Gov. Portola & FRA Ascension (mapmaker)

Western Gate—1915 Original

Top: Atlantic and Pacific Oceans connected by canal/Symbolic

Next: Mission Bell/San Diego Seal/Fruit Tree

- THE COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED has raised funds for the restoration or reconstruction of each of these buildings
- For guided tours of El Prado's Spanish Colonial architecture, see other side
- We offer a 30-min. talk/slide presentation on the history of the El Prado buildings. To schedule a presentation for your group, call our Speakers Bureau Chair (619) 981-4521.