

# **Fact Sheet**

## MISSION STATEMENT

**Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens** is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization and is the historic home of the founder of the city of San Clemente. Casa Romantica provides programs for all ages in arts, music, history, horticulture, and literature and is a premier Southern California cultural center.

## **BRIEF HISTORY**

Casa Romantica was the historic home of the founder of the city of San Clemente, Ole Hanson. Built in 1927, it is registered on the National Register of Historic Places. The property passed through many hands in the twentieth century and was restored through a major capital campaign to transform it into a cultural center that opened to the public in 2004. Twenty years later, **Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens** holds 120+ cultural events every year, hosts a variety of educational programs, maintains 2.5 acres of coastal gardens, and is also available to rent for private events.

### **INSTITUTIONAL FACTS**

- Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens is on 2.5 acres of coastal property above the Pacific Ocean
- Listed on the National Register of Historic Places
- An award-winning cultural center (Arts Orange County, OC Weekly)
- Among Orange County's only museum galleries to exhibit historic California Impressionism art from the Irvine Collection, Ochs Collection, and more
- Redmond Family Amphitheater by the Sea is one of the few coastal amphitheaters in the region

 Institutional partnerships include American Horticultural Society, Metrolink, OC Public Libraries, and American Public Gardens Association

## BY THE NUMBERS

- **1927**: Year Casa Romantica was built as Ole Hanson's home by famed European architect Carl Lindbom
- **2004**: Year Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens opened to the public
- **10**: Themed gardens located at Casa Romantica, each showcasing different flora
- 120+: Cultural events hosted annually
- 55%: Percentage of free cultural programming for all ages
- 40,000+: Guests that visit Casa Romantica annually
- **2,200**+: Children served through onsite programming
- 8,300+: Hours that Casa Romantica's volunteers pledge in a year

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