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BAY AREA LEGO USERS GROUP AND TRAIN CLUB

■ Children's Discovery Museum – "Children of Hangzhou: Connecting with China" presents four children from Hangzhou at home, at school, in the library, in the theater and in the countryside. Cook a birthday meal, play traditional instruments, plant rice seedlings and learn about China's mix of ancient traditions and modern lifestyles. Open through Jan. 24. Free with admission: \$10 ages 1-59, \$9 ages 60 and up. 180 Woz Way, San Jose. 408-298-5437. cdm.org.

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The "Living Lego-cy" show – showcasing cities, scenes and trains, all built with Legos – opens at the Museum of American Heritage Dec. 11.

■ Filoli – At the "Winter Wonderland" fundraiser for the historic Filoli house and gardens, experience a shimmering, wintry world through Dec. 5. Shop at the holiday boutique for unique merchandise while performers sing and play seasonal melodies. Attend one of several special events including a lunch buffet daily from Nov. 29-Dec. 3 and a children's party on Dec. 5. The 654-acre Filoli estate includes a 36,000-square foot early 20th Century mansion furnished

with antiques and art. Special events start at \$25. 86 Canada Road, Woodside. Call for times. 650-364-8300. filoli.org.

■ The Lace Museum – Take a step back in time and join this Christmas party from the early 20th Century. "Twas the Night Before Christmas" – an exhibit of dolls wearing lacy, vintage holiday dresses and accessories – takes place from Nov. 7-Jan. 31. Also, shop for heirloom-quality handmade lace ornaments at prices from \$5 to \$50 from Nov. 15-Dec. 24. Proceeds maintain the museum. 11am-4pm Tues.-Sat.

**Free admission.** The Lace Museum, 552 S. Murphy, Sunnyvale. 408-867-7468.

info@www.thelacemuseum.org. lacemuseum.org.

- Los Altos History Museum Take a peek into the world of scaled miniatures at "It's a Small World," an exhibit open through Jan. 17. Enjoy doll houses decorated for the holidays as well as architectural models, miniature vehicles, dishes, tools, books and more from around the globe. Noon-4pm Thurs.-Sun. Free. Visit the world's smallest post office and have a letter converted, for \$8, into a tiny scaled version by artist Lea Redmond. Noon-4pm Sat., Dec. 12. 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org.
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Library Celebrate the International Year of Astronomy by viewing the exhibit, "Deep Space Images from NASA's Great Observatories." The images show the Milky Way's core as seen by the Hubble and Spitzer space telescopes and the Chandra X-ray Observatory. The images combine different wavelength views from all three to provide the widest ranging perspective ever of our galaxy's mysterious hub. All regular library hours through December 2010. Free. 150 E. San Fernando St., downtown San Jose. sjlibrary.org/nasa.htm.
- Museum of American Heritage Watch as Lego trains chug through city and farm scenes all made of Legos and check out many other innovative Lego displays at the "Living Lego-cy" exhibit. The colorful sixth annual show is put on by the Bay Area LEGO Users Group and Train Club. 11am-4pm Fri.-Sun., Dec. 11-Jan. 17. \$2. Museum admission is free. 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. 650-321-1004. moah.org. Baylug.org.

