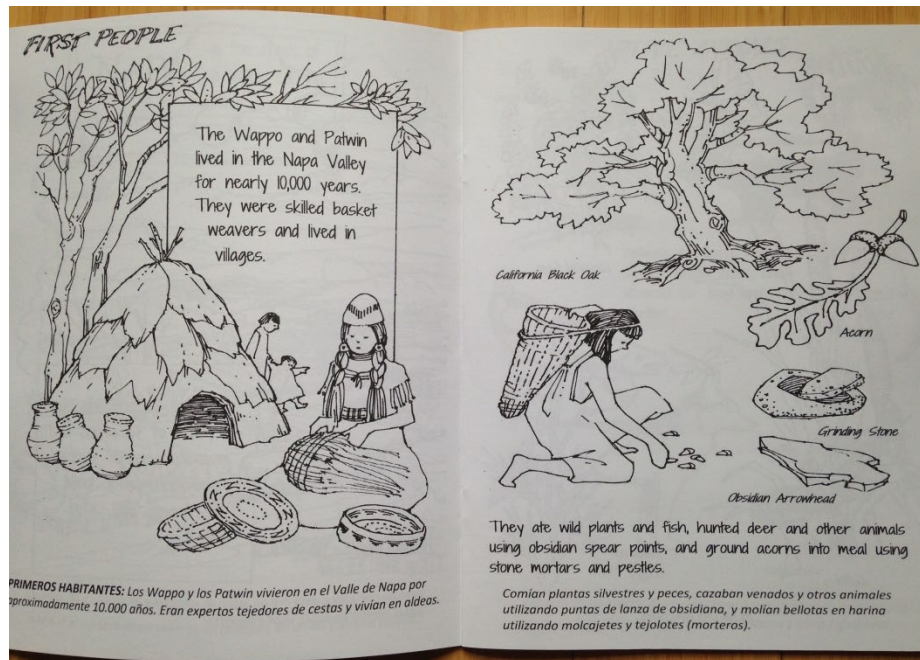


## 2015 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards

### Napa Coloring Book



*A Napa Coloring Book* is a professionally illustrated coloring and activity book that promotes Napa County's history and cultural heritage. It is Napa County Landmark's (NCL) first bi-lingual publication with text presented in both English and Spanish. The book highlights the area's diverse cultural heritage and historic resources, provides a local context for grade-school studies of California history, extends NCL's community outreach, and encourages an ethic of preservation.

The book was conceived and created by Marie Dolcini, freelance history writer and NCL board member, and her daughter, Mary Ann Henderson, Bay Area artist, who donated their work to the project along with Nathalie Paravicini who was the translator and language reviewer for the project. The staff and volunteers of the Napa County Historical Society also donated their time assisting with the initial layout, and providing review and feedback on the content.

Community businesses and individuals supported the project by donating or reducing costs of needed materials and services. Funding from the Napa Valley Community Foundation, the Bank of Napa, and local business Ristorante Allegria, along with reduced printing costs at Napa Printing and Graphics, made it possible to print the initial run of 4,000 copies: approximately 3,000 to go to Napa County schools, and 1,000 to be sold at events and retail outlets. The goal is to make the project self-sustaining so free copies can continue to be distributed yearly to third grade students.

In April 2015, Napa County Landmarks distributed free copies of *A Napa Coloring Book* to all Napa Valley Unified School District third graders. Included with the

copies was a sample lesson plan for teachers. The lesson plan included several renderings of existing local landmarks as well as a Wappo shelter that can be enlarged, cut out, and assembled. Following this initial distribution, Napa County Landmarks also made free copies available to all Upvalley public school districts (St. Helena, Calistoga, Howell Mountain, Pope Valley), and is offering copies at cost to private schools in the Napa area.

The book has been very well received by young students as well as teachers and education administrators. Going forward, *A Napa Coloring Book* will provide Napa County Landmarks with a teaching tool and basis for complimentary family-oriented programming, youth activities, and outreach to Napa's diverse community.

Learn more about [\*A Napa Coloring Book\*](#).