



Please join us in San Antonio, TX for the World Heritage Festival September 6 - 10. The Festival is an annual collaborative event to celebrate and promote the San Antonio Missions (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), and raise funds to preserve, maintain, and promote the five Missions. For us, the fun begins the evening of September 8 with *Restored by Light*. We will enjoy seeing Mission Concepcion in its original appearance using projection technology illumination. This free evening event kicks off at 6:30 p.m. with family-friendly activities and entertainment. For more information contact, contact Cory Edwards at 210-207-1496. Mission Concepcion is located at 807 Mission Rd, San Antonio, TX 78210.

On September 9, the *World Heritage Walk* hosted by the Selma Pathfinders starts at Mission Park Pavilion, 6030 Padre Drive, San Antonio, TX at 8 a.m. The start window closes promptly at 9 a.m., and we urge everyone to be here by 8 a.m. for the grand opening. Registered participants will enjoy a 5K or 10K Walk along San Antonio's Hike & Bike Trail, the Acequia Trail, and through Mission San Jose. The walk is sanctioned by AVA: America's Walking Club. For more information, contact Susan Medlin (sueammed@aol.com) or visit AVA.org.

Also on September 9, the *Tour de las Misiones Bike Ride* will kick off at 8 a.m. with an organized Bike Tour. Registered participants will begin and end their 7, 14 or 22 mile ride at Mission Park Pavilion #1. Participants will tour the Southside of San Antonio, the Alamo, and stop at each Mission. For more information, contact Cristian Sandoval at cristian@earnabikecoop.org.

Starting at 10 a.m. there will be a *World Heritage Festival Mission Pachanga* (party) open to all. The Pachanga celebrates our Missions' designation as a UNESCO World Heritage Site by bringing together musicians and local artists to highlight the distinct and diverse spirit of our city; rich in history, folk-art, and musical tradition. This free family-friendly event will

feature local art and activities from vendors, food trucks, and musical performances from three fun, upbeat acts.

On September 10, in partnership with Las Misiones, a *Celebratory Mass* will take place in recognition of the World Heritage UNESCO designation as a World Heritage Site. Sunday Mass will be held at Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción, located at Mission Concepcion, 807 Mission Rd, San Antonio, TX 78210, beginning at 10 a.m.

Please register for the walk NLT July 31. The walk is \$15 (\$5 for children 17 and under). August 1 the price rises to \$25 (\$10 for children). All registered walkers receive a t-shirt, goody bag, 2 beer tickets (adults only), IVV/AVA credit, and a completion medal (finishers only). There will be food, beverages, and entertainment at the Finish. You can register at the Start on the day of the event, but it will be \$25 and your shirt size and goody bag may not be available. For information on the Bike Event, please check the website at worldheritagefestival.org.