

**The Mineralogical Society of Southern California**  
**Proudly presents the 59<sup>th</sup> annual Pacific Micromineral Conference**  
**January 30 – February 1, 2026 at**  
**The Fallbrook Mineral Museum**  
**123 W. Alvarado St., Fallbrook, CA**

**FRIDAY, January 30**

**3:00-6:00 PM:** On-site Registration, greeting friends, setting up scopes, filling give-away tables, \$1 sales table and give away tables open

**6:00-7:00 PM:** Dinner (on your own). There is a great sports bar (Harry's) across the street from the museum for lunch or dinner and a great Mexican restaurant (Mariscos El Pacifico) a couple of blocks away for dinner. I hear there's a great Cuban restaurant nearby as well, for those with more exotic tastes.

**7:00-8:00 PM:** Evening talk by Julian Gray: **"Optical Mineralogy"**

**SATURDAY, January 31**

**8:00-9:00 AM:** Doors open, on-site Registration, filling give-away and sales tables

**10:00 AM:** Welcome, Special Announcements and Morning speaker introduction

**10:15-11:30 AM:** Morning Presentation by Paul Adams: **"Micromineralogy of La Paz Co., AZ"**

**Noon – Lunch** (on your own)

**1:30 PM:** VERBAL AUCTION of donated specimens

**3:00 PM:** SILENT AUCTION of donated specimens, mineralogical books/magazines, maps, spare microscopes or other equipment, etc.

**3:15-4:30 PM:** Afternoon Presentation by Michael Cox: **"Mercury Mineral Adventures: An Update"**

**4:30-6:00 PM:** Microscope time, scouting the give-away and sales tables

**6:00-7:00:** Dinner (on your own)

**7:00 PM:** Contributed talks and Mineral Photos

**SUNDAY Field Trip, February 1**

People planning on participating in the field trip should probably plan to stay in Barstow, rather than Fallbrook on Saturday night. We will meet Sunday morning at 9 am at a central location in Barstow and probably either collect at a nearby mine, continue to the Blue Bell mine, Otto Mountain, or continue farther to a mine at Goodsprings, NV.

Now is a very good time to make your advance registration for the 2026 Pacific Micro Mineral Conference. The registration fee is \$20 before the conference and \$25 at the door. If you have questions you can contact [awilkins49@yahoo.com](mailto:awilkins49@yahoo.com).

Continue below for a Registration Form, driving directions and list of accommodations within 10 miles of the museum. When registering please provide the names and current city of residence of all in your party. We like to have a personalized name-tag waiting for everyone in attendance. And please bring a couple of nice micromineral specimens for the verbal auction and any unwanted mineralogical books, magazines, photo equipment or larger mineral specimens for the silent auction table. Giveaway material & \$1 sales table specimens are always

appreciated. Hope to see you there!

## LOCATION

### **Fallbrook Mineral Museum, 123 W. Alvarado St., Fallbrook, CA 92028 (760) 728-1130**

From I-15 south take Exit 51 toward Mission Rd. for 0.3 mile

Turn right onto Old Hwy. 395 for 177 feet, then quick right onto E. Mission Rd. for 4.4 miles

Turn left onto N. Brandon Rd. for 0.2 mile

Turn right onto E. Alvarado St. & proceed for 0.4 mile. Destination is on your right.

Parking is on the left.

From the I-5, proceed south to take Highway 76 East (Exit 54A), near Oceanside. After 13 miles, go left on S. Mission Road (S13). After 6.5 miles, take a right on W. Alvarado St. The Fallbrook Mineral Museum is 500 feet ahead on the left; there is generally ample parking across the street, on the right.



### **NEARBY (within 10 miles) ACCOMMODATIONS (updated 11/19/25)**

#### **Motels listed in order of proximity to the Fallbrook Museum:**

Name --- number of stars

Miles to Fallbrook City Center --- Rating/5 --- Price/night for 2 adults & 1 Queen/King bed during PMC

#### **Fallbrook Country Inn \*\***

1.0 miles --- 3.1-3.3 --- \$109

1425 S. Mission Rd., Fallbrook

(760) 728-1114

Reviews: friendly staff, charming grounds, spacious courtyard, nice pool, Scampi's Restaurant on-site; cleanliness & maintenance issues, beds uncomfortable, occasional pest sightings, rooms along the road are noisy

#### **Rodeway Inn Fallbrook \*\***

1.2 miles --- 2.9 --- \$88-107

1635 S. Mission Rd., Fallbrook

(760) 728-6174

Reviews: pet-friendly, nice pool & hot tub, free Wi-Fi, nice staff; continental breakfast very basic. Must book directly with motel; rooms in the 2-story building are newer and nicer.

#### **Econo Lodge Inn & Suites Fallbrook Downtown \*\***

1.4 miles --- 3.5-4.1 --- \$88-95

1608 S. Mission Road, Fallbrook

(760) 723-1127

#### **Pala Mesa Golf Resort \*\*\*1/2**

4.7 miles --- 2.8 --- \$138-149

2001 Old Hwy. 395, Fallbrook

(760) 728-5881

Reviews: Remodeled rooms with comfortable beds, beautiful setting with mountain views

#### **Quality Inn Fallbrook I-15 \*\*\***

5.3 miles --- 1.5 --- \$92

3135 Old Hwy. 395, Fallbrook

(760) 723-2888

Reviews: Shady characters running this motel---"Stay away!"

#### **Rodeway Inn Old Town Temecula \*\***

9.6 miles --- 1.3-3.2 --- \$122

28718 Front St., Temecula

(951) 954-4638

Reviews: Pool, free basic breakfast

#### **Motel 6 Temecula \*\***

9.8 miles --- 3.7 --- \$88-95

41900 Moreno Rd., Temecula  
(951) 676-7199  
Reviews: Free Wi-Fi, thin walls

**Rancho California Inn \*\***  
9.8 miles --- 3.7 --- \$126  
41873 Moreno Rd., Temecula  
(408) 497-7329  
Reviews: Free Wi-Fi

## **Advance Registration Form**

### **PACIFIC MICROMINERAL CONFERENCE**

**January 30-31, 2026 (Field trip on Sunday, February 1)**

**Registration \$20.00 per person by mail, \$25 at the door**

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**No. of people** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount** \_\_\_\_\_

**Names – City of Residence**

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**All meals are on your own – a few cafes and a great Mexican restaurant are within walking distance of the museum**

#### **Field Trip on Sunday (no charge)**

**Are you interested in attending the field trip? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_**

**Number of participants in your party** \_\_\_\_\_

**There will be a sign-up list for the field trip at the registration desk; please include a cell phone number for ease of contact with your party before and during the field trip.**

**Make checks payable to MSSC**

**Send Registration Forms & Checks/Cash to:**

**Al Wilkins, PMC Chair**

**34731 Calle Ramona**

**Capistrano Beach CA 92624-1536**

**I plan on presenting a short contributed talk** \_\_\_\_\_

**The topic will be** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate length of talk in minutes** \_\_\_\_\_ **Format [flash drive (preferred), DVD, slides, etc.]** \_\_\_\_\_