

March 6 2012 Event - "Dawn at the Alamo"©

The San Antonio Living History Association 2012 Monthly Schedule of Events

The "Visits to the Past" Alamo Plaza Heritage Interpretation dates and the "Revolution in Béjar" (February, March, October & December) historical reenactments are listed below.

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March 6: "Dawn at the Alamo"© – Alamo Plaza, Tuesday – March 6, 6:00AM to 7:00AM



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Each March 6th The [San Antonio Living History Association](http://www.sanantoniolivinghistory.org) annually presents "Dawn At The Alamo"©. This 176th anniversary pre-dawn commemorative ceremony honors the fallen, on both sides of the 1836 Battle of the Alamo, during the same hour which began in darkness and ended in early morning light. It has a very solemn tone, as thirteen candles are lit in remembrance of the 13-day siege and battle. A reconciliation peace prayer, read in English and Spanish, remembers 189 defenders and 600 attackers killed or wounded during the assault upon the Alamo.

Eyewitness accounts are read of the battle as flintlock musket volleys echo the sounds of gunfire against the Alamo walls. You'll experience a historical moment-in-time in recognition of what both sides went through during the pre-dawn attack and as the end came to the Alamo defenders.

The SALHA 176th Anniversary of the Battle of the Alamo program continues as follows:

9:45 AM - GRAND MARCH INTO ALAMO PLAZA

10:00 – 11:30AM – "This Hallowed Ground: Alamo Plaza" Historical Walking Tour
(Begins in Alamo Plaza at Crockett, passes through Alamo gateway, proceeds along West side of Alamo Plaza to Houston St., crosses over North of Cenotaph Area and continues down Alamo Plaza East to tour finish at the palisades line)

11:30 AM – 3:30PM – EDUCATIONAL DEMONSTRATION STATIONS feature period items and skills of 1830s Texas, including: Early Clothing, Flint-knapping for Muskets, Black Powder Cartridge-making, Period Spinning, Sewing and Fabrics, Flintlock Arms, Accoutrements, Demonstrations and Firings, Period Toys, Leather Work, Flint & Steel Fire-Starting, early Music and other crafts.

11:45 AM - NEW "RECRUITS" MARCHING DRILL will invite audience members to 'fall in' and participate in a period Texian drill session.

12:00 PM - FLINTLOCK ARMS & TACTICS will demonstrate and describe the use of Texian militia and Mexican Army weapons typical of the time period.

12:30 PM – "The Cut of Their Clothes" Historical Fashion Show describing the diverse types of clothing worn at the Alamo and during the Texas Revolutionary period.

1:00 PM – 2:15PM - "This Hallowed Ground: Alamo Plaza" Historical Walking Tour
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2:30 – 3:30PM – Alamo Plaza Goes Silent during solemn DRT ceremony in the Alamo Shrine

2:30 PM – LIVING HISTORIANS MEET WITH VISITING PUBLIC IN ALAMO PLAZA

3:30 PM – BATTLE OF THE ALAMO 176th ANNIVERSARY SALUTE VOLLEY