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Ten Commandments Scroll To Be Featured At The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library

Public encouraged to pre-purchase tickets for the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit in advance, before they sell out

SIMI VALLEY, CA. – The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute will introduce the Ten Commandments Scroll from the Dead Sea Scrolls to its exhibit, "Dead Sea Scrolls: The Exhibition." This new addition offers visitors a rare opportunity to explore one of the most significant texts in religious history. The Ten Commandments Scroll will be on display from April 11 to 24, 2025, with a media day to witness the installation on April 10.

Never before toured in California and not seen in the U.S. since 2013, the Ten Commandments Scroll will be on exclusive display at the Reagan Library, the only stop on this tour to feature them. The Scroll, known as 4Q41, was discovered in 1952 in Qumran Cave 4 and contains Deuteronomy 8:5–10 and Deuteronomy 5:1–6:1. It is believed to be the oldest existing copy of the Ten Commandments and is permitted for display only two weeks every two years.

Even for visitors who have already experienced this exhibit at the Reagan Library, the Ten Commandments will offer an entirely new and exclusive experience. Interested guests should preorder tickets as they are expected to sell out quickly.

According to biblical narratives in Exodus and Deuteronomy, God revealed the Ten Commandments to Moses on Mount Sinai, inscribing them on stone tablets as guiding principles for the community. These commandments remain central to Abrahamic religions and continue to influence moral and legal traditions worldwide.

What: Media Day to showcase the installation of the Ten Commandments in "Dead Sea

Scrolls: The Exhibition"

When: Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 5 p.m. PDT

Where: Ronald Reagan Presidential Library

40 Presidential Drive Simi Valley, CA 93065

Who: Ilit Ofri Cohen, Head of Laboratory, Israel Antiquities Authority

Melissa Giller, CMO, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

All media interested in attending or speaking to Ilit Ofri Cohen must RSVP to reagan@pinkston.co.

"Dead Sea Scrolls: The Exhibition" marks the Dead Sea Scrolls' return to the U.S.A. for the first time in almost a decade and celebrates the 75th anniversary of one of the most significant archaeological discoveries in modern history. It offers visitors a firsthand experience of the ancient manuscripts from the collections of the Israel Antiquities Authority and their profound implications for our understanding of the history, culture, and religious practices of ancient Judaism and the early foundations of Christianity.

This limited-time exhibit is almost two years in the making, curated by Dr. Risa Levitt, Dr. Orit Shamir, Dr. Joe Uziel, and Navit Popovich-Geller. The show was created by the Israel Antiquities Authority from the collections of the National Treasures. The exhibit is produced by West Wall Exhibitions and RRPFI.

This exhibition was made possible by The Lowell Milken Family Foundation. For a full list of sponsors, please <u>click here</u>. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit <u>www.ReaganLibrary.com/DeadSeaScrolls</u>.

About the Reagan Foundation and Institute:

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A globally recognized nonpartisan organization based in Simi Valley, CA, with a leading policy institute in Washington, DC, RRPFI delivers impactful public affairs programming, policy convenings and projects of national and international significance, and distinctive educational initiatives. In addition, RRPFI sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, the largest and most visited presidential library, which routinely hosts major special exhibitions.

An hour from Los Angeles International Airport, RRPFI's Simi Valley campus sits on 400 acres, serves as the final resting place of America's 40th President and former First Lady Nancy Reagan, displays a chunk of the Berlin Wall, and houses the plane President Reagan flew as Air Force One to 26 countries. Onsite are the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, Presidential Learning Center, Air Force One Pavilion, and the Reagan Leadership Academy. More information is available at www.reaganfoundation.org.