THE STORY WITHIN THE MURAL
“Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow”

Morro Bay Public Library features a unique glass tile mosaic on the wall along Shasta Street. The colorful mural was designed by local artist Pete Ladochy especially for the building. It was funded by area clubs and a grant from the San Luis Obispo County arts Council. Labor for the project was volunteered by some 100 community members under the direction of Ladochy. Citizen involvement ranged from choosing the mosaic’s theme to planning, assembling and mounting the finished artwork. Composed of 125,000 one inch square pieces of glass, the 650 square-foot mural depicts the history and environs of Morro Bay. A native Chumash Indian, the explorer Juan Cabrillo, and missionaries are pictured along with the modern-day city of Morro Bay against a backdrop of blue water and green hills. Native flora and fauna, including a peregrine falcon and sea otter, are woven in.

Can you Find These?
1. Arrows in flight
2. Spanish banner
3. Boats and harbor
4. Butterfly
5. Cabrillo
6. Caravel with sails
7. Chumash Indian
8. Compass rose
9. Constellations and stars
10. Fish nets
11. Geese in flight
12. Halley’s comet
13. Headless salamander
14. Horse
15. Houses in Morro Bay
16. Mission Padres
17. Morro Rock and the Seven Sisters
18. Peregrine falcon
19. Pistol
20. Sand dollar
21. Sea lions
22. Sea otters
23. Sun
24. Waterfall
1 625 Harbor St.
Mural by Peter Ladochy on West Wall of Library. This unique glass tile mosaic is titled “Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow.” See other side for details.

2 464 Morro Bay Blvd.
Bay Theater built in 1941. It is the town’s second movie house.

3 400 Morro Bay Blvd.
A “Moderne” style Soda Fountain. Built in the mid 1940’s.

4 407 Morro Bay Blvd.
Early Post Office and Dry Goods Store. Long known as the Anderson Building. George Anderson was the constable, and Mrs. Anderson was postmistress.

5 830 Monterey St
First Community Church in Morro Bay. It was completed in 1902 at a cost of $1,231.32 on a $25 lot. A later addition obscures the original front.

6 365 Morro Bay Blvd.
The original movie house where, initially, films were shown once a week. Also served as a community theater and dance hall. Note the empty electrical sockets on facade. The stage and projectionist’s booth can be seen inside the building.

7 355 Morro Bay Blvd.
Site of the Rock Cafe, a popular place during World War II.

8 325 Morro Bay Blvd.
The first department store was in this structure.

9 315 Morro Bay Blvd.
The location of the first drug store in Morro Bay

10 805 Main St.
The first bank building (Bank of America in the early 1950s)

11 787 Main St.
This was one of the earliest hotels in Morro Bay.

12 Pelican Family
A blue granite depiction by Wachtang Korisheli, is at the bay end of Morro Bay Blvd.

13 The Centennial Stairway
Built in 1975, connects Morro Bay Blvd. and Embarcadero.

14 801 Market St.
Now a restaurant, but originally an early real estate office (when lots started at $160!)

15 899 Main St.
The original building served as a dance hall and roller skating rink, then as a pool hall. The original wood structure burned but was rebuilt during WWII using concrete block because wood was very scarce.

16 900 Main St.
The longest continuously operating business in Morro Bay, Happy Jack’s, (now H.J.’s) at the corner of Harbor St.

17 936 Main St.
Ocean View Garage was among the town’s earlier automotive garages.

18 1130 Napa Ave.
Morro Elementary School Building, completed in 1937 for $60,000. It houses a very large painting by Charles H. “Robby” Robinson.

19 580 Monterey St.
Paladini, Inc., abalone processing plant shipped abalone throughout the state.

20 800 Morro Bay Blvd.
The Goulding building is an example of 1930’s “moderne” architecture. It was an early real estate office.

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