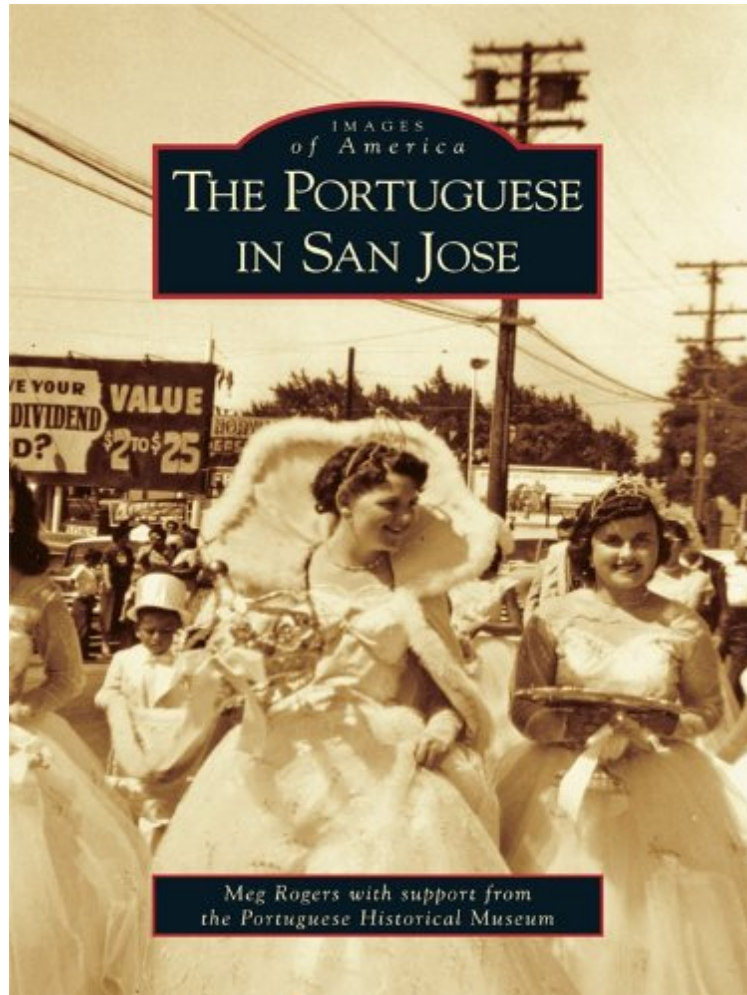


## The Portuguese in San Jose

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For hundreds of years, Portuguese explorers have swept across the globe, many of them landing in California in the 1840s as whalers, ship jumpers, and Gold Rush immigrants. Gold was the lure, but land was the anchor. San Jose became home toPortuguese immigrants who overcame prejudice to contribute to the area politically, socially, and

economically. They worked hard, transplanting farming, family, and festa traditions while working in orchards and dairies. Many came from the Azores Islands, 800 miles out to sea from mainland Portugal. For over 160 years, the Portuguese have enriched San Jose with colorful figures, including radio star Joaquim Esteves; jeweler and filmmaker Antonio Furtado; the charismatic and controversial Fr. Lionel Noia; educator Goretti Silveira; and community leaders Vicki and Joe Machado.

About the Author Meg Rogers, educator and contributing editor to many works, including Arcadia Publishing's *Alviso, San Jose*, has collected images of San Jose's Portuguese with the support of the Portuguese Historical Museum and the Portuguese Organization for Social Services and Opportunities (POSSO). Using images gathered from public and private collections, Rogers guides readers through the three waves of Portuguese immigration to the Valley of Heart's Delight.