SPACES 1804 North Van Ness Los Angeles, CA 90028 John Giudici's CAPEDRO - California

1887	*born Giovanni Giudici, March 4, 1887 in or near Castellanza, Italy
1911	*married Ernesta Luigia Ceriotti, November 20, 1911 at Castellanza, Italy
1912	*came to America (<i>possibly direct to Alameda, CA)</i>
1914 ?	*first of six children born in America Josephine 6/15/14 in Alameda Joe 2/10/18 in Alameda Mary 11/19/21 in Mayfield Sylvia 6/9/25 in Palo Alto Frank 6/22/30 in Menlo Park Carlo 1/20/33 in Menlo Park worked on the San Francisco Exposition, in a brick yard, made cornices for buildings and worked in the ship yards
1928	*Traded property in Palo Alto for Menlo Park property, lot size is approx 50 by 150 During this period he worked as a janitor and a gardener, including taking care of President Hoover's garden at Stanford
1932	started landscaping his house (from National Register nomination form)
1936?	his son Carlo fell into a two foot deep fish pond in the backyard of the house. John panicked and filled the pool with cement and started doing some construction which was embellished with items from the 5 and 10 cent store as well as other donated gifts from family and friends.
1960-70's	small articles in local newspapers <i>(from Mary)</i> and visits by local school children, and others brought by Tony May from San Jose State University
1976-77	* prominently included in the exhibition "In Celebration of Ourselves" at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art newspaper articles in *California Living Magazine - San Francisco Examiner - December 12, 1976 Palo Alto Times - December 16, 1976 * Menlo Park Atherton Recorder - June 2, 1976 John dies - after seeing exhibition
1977	*Nominated to the National Register of Historic Places by the California State Office of Historic Preservation
1979	*Capedro is prominently included in "In Celebration of Ourselves" the book, which includes 34 other CA folk art environments
1981	*Nominated and accepted as California State Landmark #939 by the State Office of Historic preservation. (this designation was given to 10 California sites all under the 939 number)
1987	*exhibition - "Documenting Capedro" at San Jose State University
1988	Mary dies