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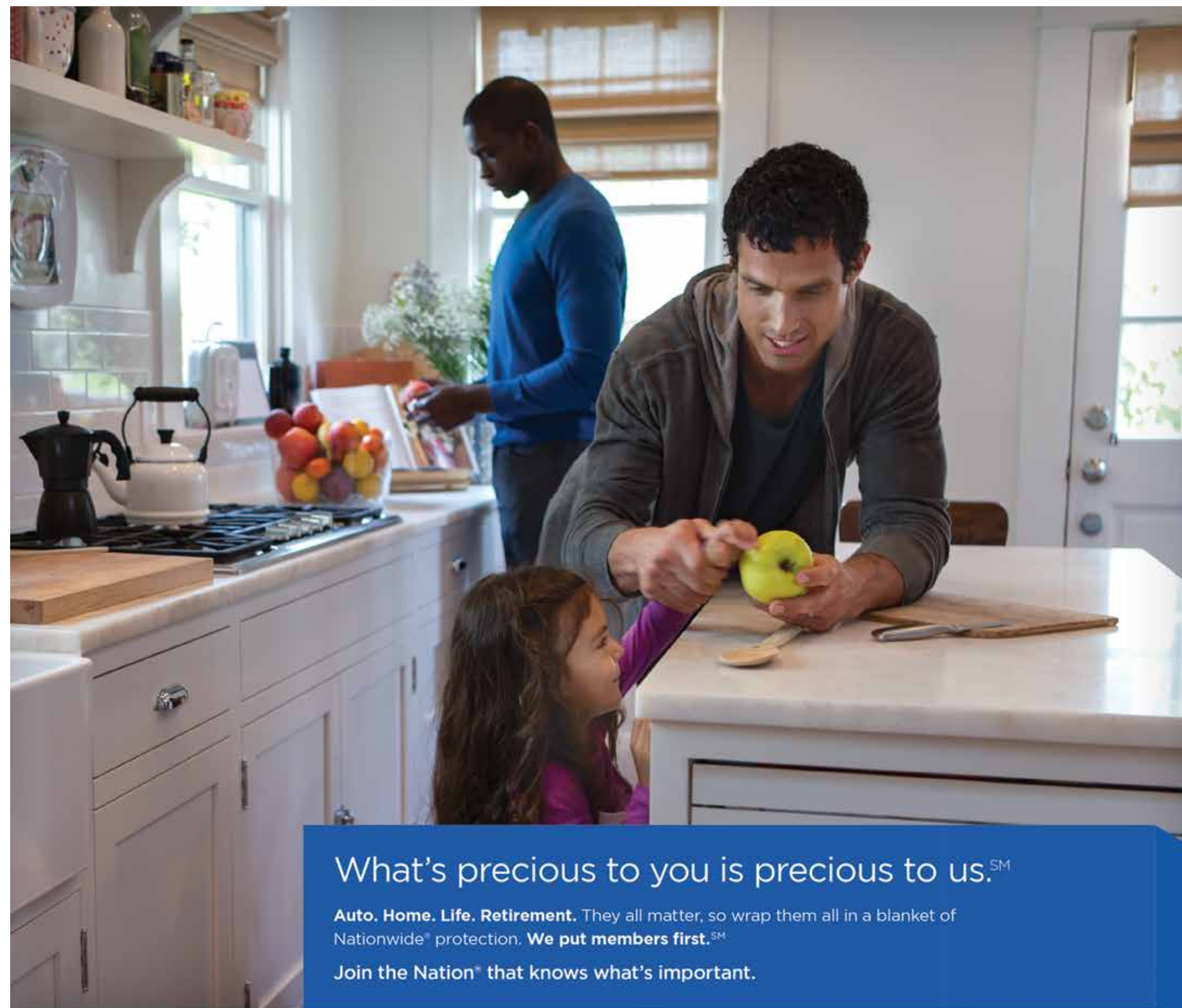
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Wilson Phillips to Headline Sacramento Pride 2016

Sacramento Pride has announced that Wilson Phillips will headline the entertainment at this year's Pride, and invite you to share the extraordinary harmonies of this music dynasty trio on the Main Stage at Pride on June 4, on the Capitol Mall in Sacramento.



Wendy and Carnie Wison and Chynna Phillips of Wilson Phillips will highlight the main stage entertainment lineup at Sacramento Pride on June 4th.

Leading up to the 25th year anniversary of their self-titled album, Wilson Phillips has a lot to celebrate. Since the beginning of their union in 1990, Wilson Phillips has won the Billboard Music Award for Hot 100 Single of the Year for the now iconic single "Hold On," and was nominated for four Grammy Awards, as well as two American Music Awards.

After a 10-year hiatus, Wilson Phillips reunited and is back to business releasing albums and making appearances. In 2011, they appeared in the blockbuster hit comedy *Bridesmaids* and starred in a TV Guide Network reality show: *Wilson Phillips: Still Holding On*. Additionally, Chynna Phillips competed on ABC's *Dancing with the Stars* and Carnie Wilson hosted *Karaoke USA* and participated on *Celebrity Wife Swap*.

All of the women commit their time and energy to various charities. Carnie Wilson competed in the *Chopped* Tournament of Stars: Rachel vs. Guy, in 2014, to represent WLSFA (Weight Loss Surgery Foundation of America) and won \$10k for second place.

Since 2011 Wilson Phillips has been on tour performing its #1 hits "Hold On," "Release Me" and "You're in Love" amongst other hits and covers. *Dedicated*, their latest recorded album in 2012, was released in honor of their 20th anniversary and consisted of cover songs originally penned by their parents, members of The Mamas and Papas and The Beach Boys.

Created without the input of their family members, the album's renditions of hits such as "California Dreamin'" and "God Only Knows" epitomize the harmonies of Wilson Phillips and accentuate the classic songs with a breath of fresh air.

With five studio albums under their belt and their impressive pedigree as the daughters of members of two legendary groups, The Mamas and Papas, and The Beach Boys, respectfully, Wilson Phillips's harmony-rich sound still sets them one notch above the rest.

To learn more about Sacramento Pride, visit sacramentopride.org and to reminisce with Wilson Phillips, visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=ulbXvaE39wM.

BIG Day of Giving Is May 3

Starting at midnight on May 3rd, the Sacramento region will come together for the annual "BIG Day of Giving" - a 24 hour giving challenge that lifts up lives and makes Sacramento an even better place to live.

"BIG Day of Giving" is an online networking and giving event that provides nonprofit organizations the opportunity to gain exposure and start relationships with new donors, and for the people in the Sacramento region to come together to raise as much money as possible for participating organizations within a 24-hour period.

Now in its third year, the "BIG Day of Giving" has raised nearly \$9 million for nonprofits serving our region. Join our community on May 3rd for a celebration of philanthropy and put your money where your heart is.

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Ernie Brown

Remembering Ernie Brown

Ernie Brown had to be the epitome of "Gentleman." He dressed, communicated and befriended everyone in a simply beautiful way. He shared that beauty of spirit - of soul - with all of us when he was working at the Mercantile Saloon.

It was my pleasure to know Ernie and count myself as his friend for over 40 years. I first met Ernie at Jim Clifton's bar (on Fruitridge back then). Ernie asked me for a Bourbon and Coke and I had to ask him what that was! He never let me live that down over all the years.

I loved him and always wanted to have him working with me at Faces - but always the gentleman, Ernie would simply smile and politely decline. Ernie Brown was also Emperor 25 here in Sacramento (CGNIE), reigning with La Kish Hayworth and later Danielle for our Silver anniversary.

Ernie was simply an icon for our community. I will miss him more than I can stand. Heaven, please take good care of our friend.

Everyone who wishes to celebrate Ernie Brown's life is invited to join us at The Mercantile Saloon on Sunday, April 17, from 2 to 5 p.m. Bring your photos and share your memories of one of our greatest friends!

Love Always,
Terry Sidie

Make A Difference - Volunteer!

Sacramento Pride depends on a small army of volunteers to make a successful event year after year.

Pride is produced by and supports the programs and services of the Sacramento LGBT Community Center and is a great way for you to give back to your community and make new friends.

Pride is on June 4th, and roughly 350 volunteer positions need to be filled by then.

Volunteering for Pride is easy! It only requires just a few hours of your day, gives you free admission, free parking, and a Pride 2016 T-shirt. Sounds easy? You bet! Get your friends together and sign up today.

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Grand Marshalls Chosen for SF Pride and Parade

San Francisco Pride has announced the winners of the 2016 Public and Member's Choice Vote for Community and Organizational Grand Marshalls of the 2016 San Francisco LGBT Pride Celebration and Parade.



Janetta Johnson

The Community Grand Marshal is Larry Yang a teacher of meditation and mindfulness, committed to serving multicultural, queer and activist communities.

Playing a key role in the development of both the East Bay Meditation Center (EBMC) and the Insight Community of the Desert, Yang helped start a variety of long-running LGBTQI meditation groups in the Bay Area and beyond and Organizational Grand Marshal

The Organizational Grand Marshall went to an international network of more than 30 chapters working for the validity of Black life, Black Lives Matter. Black Lives Matter is working to (re)build the Black liberation movement and affirm the lives of all Black people, specifically Black women, queer and trans people, people who are differently abled and those who are undocumented and



Larry Yang

formerly incarcerated.

Janetta Johnson was elected as the Community Grand Marshal by the General Membership of San Francisco Pride at their March 9th meeting. An Afro-American trans woman, healer and facilitator, Johnson is the Executive Director of the Transgender Gender Variant and Intersex Justice Project (TGIJP).

Her experiences as a formerly incarcerated trans person have inspired and informed her work to affirm the value of black trans lives through media, education and community-building. She has developed grassroots re-entry programs designed to reduce recidivism, as well as building the organizing capabilities of trans and gender non-conforming communities of color.

For more information, visit sfpride.org

Colonel Cammermeyer to Receive Matlovich Medal

Colonel Margarethe Cammermeyer, the highest ranking active officer to challenge the U.S. military's ban on LGBT service members, will be presented the 2016 Leonard Matlovich Medal for Distinguished Service by American Veterans for Equal Rights (AVER).

AVER is the nation's LGBT veterans service organization. The Medal will be presented to Dr. Cammermeyer at AVER's 25th anniversary national convention to be held April 21-24, 2016, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Cammermeyer, a Vietnam Veteran, was discharged from the U.S. Army in 1992 following her disclosure during a 1989 security clearance interview that she is a lesbian. Her discharge was overturned subsequent to a civil suit and Colonel Cammermeyer became one of the first openly serving LGBT military officers until her retirement in 1997. The story of her struggle was made into a movie, *Serving in Silence: The Colonel Margarethe Cammermeyer Story*, starring Glenn Close.

The ban was repealed in 2010.

The Matlovich Medal is the highest honor awarded by AVER and is named for USAF TechSgt Leonard Matlovich who was the first gay service member to purposely out himself to the military to fight the ban on LGBT service members, and became one of the best known LGBT activists in America in the 1970s.

Past recipients of the Matlovich Medal include President Barack Obama, Admiral Mike Mullen, and gay activist Dr. Frank Kameny, a World War II veteran and one of the founders of the modern LGBT civil rights movement.

For more information on the 2016 AVER convention please visit www.aver.us

EQCA Endorses Roberts, Yamada and Torlakson

Equality California has announced the endorsements of San Diego Supervisor Dave Roberts for re-election to the San Diego Board of Supervisors, Mariko Yamada for California State Senate, representing District 3 (Davis), and Mae Torlakson for State Assembly, representing District 14 (Antioch).

Mariko Yamada seeks to represent California Senate District 3, a seat currently held by Sen. Lois Wolk. Yamada served as a Yolo County supervisor, as well as in the California Assembly from 2008-2012, where she earned a 100-percent Equality Score from Equality California.

Yamada is the daughter of Japanese-American wartime internees, and has spent her career, both as a social worker and in government, advancing the civil rights of LGBT people and the many diverse communities of which they are a part.

“Mariko Yamada was a strong ally of the LGBT community during her time in the Assembly,” said Rick Zbur, executive director of Equality California. “She will continue to be an effective advocate for a fairer and more equal California in the Senate.”

Dave Roberts was the first openly gay man ever elected to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, and the first Democrat elected in two decades. He is a member of Equality California’s board of directors and was honored in 2013 with the organization’s Vanguard Leadership Award.

Previously, he served as an appointed health policy advisor to President Obama and former President George W. Bush, where he earned national recognition for reducing costs and improving the delivery of Medicare, Medicaid and children’s health insurance coverage. Roberts lives in Solana Beach with his husband and has five adopted children.

“We are pleased to give our endorsement to Supervisor Dave Roberts,” said Zbur. “His visibility as an openly-LGBT elected official and his record of commitment to the health and wellbeing of LGBT people and all residents of San Diego County make him an outstanding leader.”

Mae Torlakson hopes to represent California Assembly District 14, currently represented by Asm. Susan Bonilla. Torlakson currently works helping educationally disadvantaged students pursue careers in



Assemblymember Mariko Yamada is running to represent California Senate District 3

science, technology, engineering and mathematics and has led in the creation of mentoring partnerships with businesses. She has a long history of supporting the LGBT community and is a member of the Stonewall Democratic Club of Solano County.

“LGBT kids face widespread bullying and lack of acceptance in school, leading to high rates of dropout, depression and a suicide rate four times higher than their non-LGBT peers,” said Zbur. “And Mae Torlakson will be an enthusiastic and compassionate advocate for LGBT people, especially for LGBT youth in schools.”

The Equality California Political Action Committee endorses viable candidates who have a proven track record of supporting equal rights and legal protections for LGBT Californians and who are committed to advancing these goals in their capacity as elected officials.

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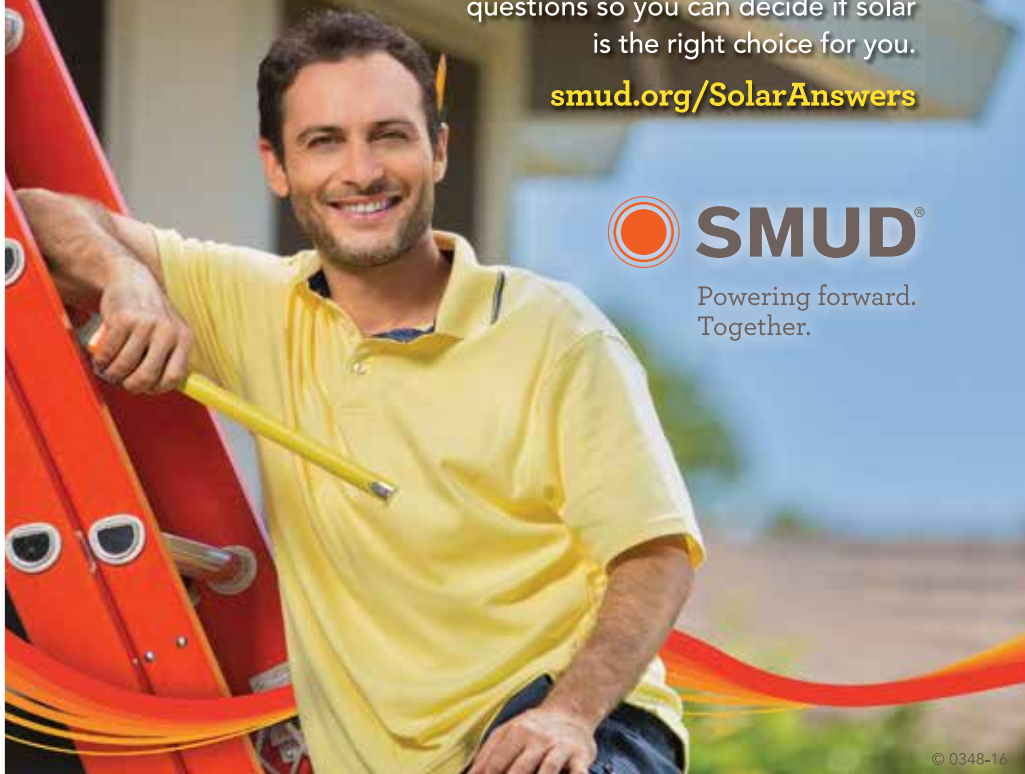
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Midtown Farmers Market Expands Footprint

The Midtown Farmers Market is expanding a half-block from its now location on 20th street between J and K streets to midway up K Street to accommodate even more farmers, growers and vendors.

Open year-round on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., the latest expansion will help alleviate a longstanding waiting list of interested farmers and growers by increasing the number of vendors from approximately 60 to up to 90 on any given week.

Plus, the added space will provide the current market participants with room to grow while also allowing for a bigger area to support the wide variety of special events and activities planned for 2016.

"Last year we were very proud our dynamic market was recognized as one of the Top 10 in the region and we are thrilled to offer fresh and exciting new experiences this season," said Emily Baime Michaels, Executive Director of the Midtown Business

Association. "The hope is our farmers' market guests will want to linger longer in Midtown while feeding their curiosity and exchanging culinary concepts with local chefs, growers, farmers and one another."

Additionally, visitors to the Midtown Farmers Market will soon experience an educational, fun and free "Know Your Grow" gardening demonstration - with topics that change monthly - presented by Edible Sac High. The new "Know Your Grow" demos will take place on the 4th Saturday each month beginning at 11 a.m. The first gardening demonstration topic on April 23 will be about seed starting, which is perfect for at-home gardeners.

Midtown Sacramento is both walkable and

bike-friendly with parking available in nearby garages located at 1801 L Street or the East End Garage on 17th Street between L & Capitol plus various lots throughout Midtown. Owned by the Midtown Business Association, the Midtown Farmers Market is managed by Unseen Heroes. More information about the Midtown Farmers Market is available at www.midtownfarmersmarketsac.com.



SIGLFF Presents *The Year We Thought About Love*

In observation of GLSEN's Day of Silence, the Sacramento International Gay & Lesbian Film Festival (SIGLFF) will screen a special presentation of the award winning film, *The Year We Thought About Love*.

Day of Silence, April 15th, is the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network's (GLSEN) annual day of action to spread awareness about the effects of the bullying and harassment of LGBT students and their supporters.

The Year We Thought About Love goes behind the scenes of one of the oldest queer youth theaters in America, Boston-based True Colors: OUT Youth Theater, with the film's camera crew slipping into classrooms, kitchens, subways, and rehearsal rooms to capture on film the fearless and endearing troupe.

Boston-based True Colors, transforms daily struggles into performance for social change. With wit, candor, and attitude, thier cast of characters captivates audiences surprised to hear such stories in school settings.

The Year We Thought About Love introduces a transgender teenager kicked out of her house, a devout Christian challenging

his church's homophobia and a girl who prefers to wear boys' clothing even as she models dresses on the runway.

When bombs explode outside their building, the troupe becomes even more determined to share their stories of love to help heal their city.

The screening will be held on Friday, April

15th, at the Public House Theater, a cool, funky, cozy, queer owned and operated pub\ theater that serves yummy food, wine and local micro-brews, located at 5440 14th Ave.

A suggested donation of \$5 or more is appreciated but no one will be turned away. All ages are welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for drinks, food and thoughtful conversation before the show. A short presentation on what's new with SIGLFF will begin at 7:30 and the film screening will be at 7:45 p.m.

Seating is limited and you can reserve your seat at siglfforg.ticketleap.com.



Members of Boston-based True Colors: OUT Youth Theater. Photo by Joel Benjamin.

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by Kyle Lamb

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With the 2011 completion of the Airport's new state-of-the-art Terminal B, which provides local cuisine, art installations, sustainable features and lounge areas, it was time to revitalize the aging Terminal A to provide travelers with the same amenities.

The refreshed Food Court, developed around a centralized "main street," provides travelers with a comfortable place to grab a bite or charge their phone or laptop before their flight. A "marketplace" feel elevates the dining experience, while the comfortable lounge furniture and finishes inspired by the temperate California climate, allows travelers to experience the outdoors inside.

Even if the renovated Food Court is jam-packed and there's not an open seat to be found, you're not out of luck. Keep walking and you'll come upon the newly refreshed Concourse Lounge, meant to provide travelers with a variety of seating

options for lounging, charging, studying and experiencing moments within the Airport.

Enclosed curved banquette seating offsets the ellipsed floor design, while providing a quiet and semi-private place to relax or make a phone call. Adjacent to the banquettes are counter high surfaces perfect for visiting with your fellow travelers, reading a book or getting some work done.

The surrounding area, with soft movable furnishings, transitional luxury wood vinyl and tip shear carpet, provides Sacramento travelers with comfort and flexibility.

Above the enclosed lounge area rests a suspended curvilinear wood trellis. Originally located in the food court prior to its renovation, the trellis signifies the Airport's commitment to sustainability through its reuse in the Concourse, while adding to the intimacy of the space.

Edgy linear pendant light fixtures act as teardrops protruding through the floating structure, defining one of many "moments" travelers can experience in their extra hour at the Airport.

With comfort, flexibility and traveler's amenities at the forefront of the design, the updated Sacramento International Airport Food Court and Concourse elevates the travel experience and serves as a welcoming place to snack, relax or work, whether you call Sacramento home or are just passing through.

Kyle Lamb is a Project Designer with LIONAKIS and can be reached at www.lionakis.com.



An architectural rendering of the Level 2 Concourse Lounge at Sacramento International Airport

Curtis Park Home and Garden Tour Celebrates 30 Years

Since 1986, and now celebrating 30 years, dozens of generous, community-minded Curtis Park residents have opened their homes and gardens to the public to raise funds for the operation of the Sierra 2 Community Center and for neighborhood activities such as free summer concerts in Curtis Park.



One of the beautiful homes on this year's Curtis Park Home & Garden Tour.

This year's tour is set for Saturday, April 30th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and seven stately Tudor and other revival style homes built in the 1920s and 1930s will be showcased this year.

Tour goers will see a variety of decorating styles and color palates, and recently renovated kitchens, bathrooms, outdoor buildings, gardens and/or outdoor entertainment spaces.

The homes on tour are located throughout the neighborhood encompassing a loop of just over two miles. Bicycle racks will be provided for those that opt to cycle between the homes.

The Capitol A's Model A Ford Club will display vintage cars in front of the homes and periodically tour the neighborhood throughout the event.

Tour goers and the public will enjoy live music, food and information displays at the north end of Curtis Park. Musical groups include flautist Sarah Karliner, Poki and Little Green Grass Snake Band, and the Templetons. Mama Kim Cooks and Cecile's

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Taste will have food for sale. Picnic tables and chairs are provided.

Also at the north end of Curtis Park there will be displays and activities focused on drought tolerant landscaping, fruit and vegetable gardening, and even beekeeping. In addition to the homes on tour, a map will indicate fine examples of such gardens in the neighborhood with comments and suggestions from the homeowners.

The event is presented by the Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Association. Tickets can be purchased on-line at www.Sierra2.org, or at the Sierra 2 Community Center located at 2791 24th Street.

Advance General Admission tickets are \$25 (\$20 for SCNA members), and day of tour tickets are \$30 (\$25 for SCNA members). On the day of the tour tickets can be purchased at the north end of Curtis Park at 26th Street and Donner Way.

For updates and more information, call Sierra 2 at 452-3005 or visit www.Sierra2.org.

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How Pests Find Their Way Into Your Home

by Elvira Katlin

Do you ask yourself how pests get in your home? Maybe you think your walls are solid and enough to keep bugs at bay? Yes, they are, but nevertheless, many walls are full of pest passageways.

The tiny bugs have no problem sneaking in through cracks and because of that you must have in mind that your home is not at all bug-proof.

What Can You Do?

Seal all gaps, especially the bigger ones that let in the larger insects and smaller rodents, like mice. Also, it's a good idea to inspect the space under your deck, because it's swarming with insects down there.

A small mouse will have no problem squeezing through tiny areas. You should check out all wall penetrations, windows, doors, dryer vents, exhaust fans, roof vents, and the foundations of your property.

Sounds like a lot of work, and it is, so if you don't have the time or the knowledge to perform the check up, call Earth Guard Pest Control to inspect your house and get rid of all rodents and pests in it.

The Classic Entry Points

The walls aren't the only way insects enter your home. Here's what you need to watch out for:

- Ants – if you have trees in your garden, the branches which touch your house become an "insect bridge" to your home. Also, this allows ants and other insects to nest in clogged gutters.

- Squirrels and bats – these creatures like the attic because it's a cozy refuge. So gaps along dormers, roof vents, and adjoining rooflines become entrance points into your attic.

- Cockroaches – don't store unused

cardboard boxes because they are the perfect habitat for cockroaches.

- Beetles – bear in mind that sliding windows, doors, and thresholds provide insects easy entrance.

- Mice – these rodents hide in tiny holes in the gaps around utility lines and along foundations which provide them a thoroughfare into your home.

- Moisture bugs – lawns, poorly directed downspouts, and shallow slopes make basements moist for centipedes, spiders, and other bugs to thrive.

From insects using cracks to enter your house without any problem to mice appearing in your pantry, you're now aware how easy it is for them to move right in.

Fruit Flies

The edible products in your house are another gateway for insects. Fruit flies lay eggs on every fruit and vegetable they can put their hands (legs) in, including old products rotting in your garbage. Even if your fruits aren't rotting or overripe, the fly may have burrowed their way inside your pears or apples. They'll be waiting for the fruits to start fermenting. So washing them will clear the eggs away before they've hatched, as long as the fruit is fresh and ripe that is.

Earth Guard Pest Control can help with all your pest control needs and questions, ask for Sarah Picton, at 916-457-7605 or visit www.earthguardpest.com.



The Right Art Can Turn a Blank Wall Into a Home

by Steven Wiget

So you've moved into a new home or apartment, or you want to redecorate your present surroundings. You know that you want to add some art, but you are not sure what to do with those bare walls.



When decorating your home, the possibilities are nearly unending and the choices may seem daunting. Steven Wiget, the owner of Sacramento Art and Frame in Midtown Sacramento can help you find just the right piece or a generalized approach.

Your art represents your taste and your interests – your likes and views. There is tremendous variety available: still life, landscape, portraiture, cultural art, whimsical, and abstract. Art can make a statement whether it's social, pop culture, color, contemporary, architectural or figurative.

Following are a few hints and guidelines to help get you started/

SHOW ME THE MONEY

It is more than likely you aren't going to create a collection overnight. When you are operating on a budget, work directly with artists when you can. Get names and contact information. Establish a relationship. Galleries offer payment plans. Set money aside in order to establish an art fund. There are a number of ways to buy on a budget. Consider prints, student art, or emerging artists. Auctions and fund raisers often provide an opportunity to acquire great art at a reasonable price.

LOCATION LOCATION

Choose the most important and focal walls in your home to show off your favorite

pieces. Mantles, over the sofa and intimate seating areas, dining room walls, landings, walls you see when you first walk into a room. The entry is a great place to make a statement with your art. Don't forget the exterior spaces around your home. Yard sculpture or statuary can set the mood for the home's interior.

SIZE MATTERS

Measure your walls and take photos of the rooms where you want to place artwork. It will prove invaluable when selecting work. Yes, big is better when making a statement with your art, but small and medium works all have a place and can draw you in and take you away to another world.

VARIETY

Don't just buy oils. Oils and acrylics are important pieces to have in your collection, but watercolors, pastels, pen and ink, graphite, charcoal, mixed media, and prints add variety. Consider 3-D wall pieces, and 'sculpture' to add depth and interest to your collection.

COLOR MY WORLD

Choose colors you love. You may however,

want to consider the ambience of the room. Blues, greens and colors with white will be more soothing and serene in areas such as bedrooms and places of rest and relaxation; whereas yellows and reds are great in kitchen and dining areas. Entries and entertaining spaces or hallways or game rooms are places of high energy and best suited for high or intense color.

WELL HUNG ART

When hanging your art keep it at eye level, and if there is a horizon in the artwork, try to keep that at eye level when possible. The gallery standard for hanging is 60 inches from the floor. On gallery and salon walls (groupings), make sure that detailed and delicate pieces can be seen without the use of a ladder, in other words, don't place them too high on the wall; whereas stronger graphic pieces can be seen from a distance. I would suggest laying your pieces out on the floor to get a better idea of placement. With large groupings you might even want a professional to assist you.

PARTING GLANCES

Don't be intimidated! Buy what you love! Your purchase has the potential to increase in value, too. You might be the proud owner of the next 'picasso' or maybe it will be more like 'van gogh' or 'rembrandt' and you'll both be long dead before your art is worth millions. Anyway, there is nothing better than original art in your living space. Visit museums and galleries or antique shops; browse through art books to see what most appeals to you in style and color.

If you believe this is too big a project for you, hire a good art consultant and tell them 'make me look great'.

Steven Wiget is an artist and the owner of Sacramento Art and Frame in Midtown Sacramento. He can be reached at 916-455-2105

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Bring Color and Beauty into Your Garden with Unique Plants

by Carole Detherage

There are still lesser explored adventures to be found in the gardening world, including plants that are not fully popularized, but deserve to be noticed and planted in your garden.

Here, my Sacramento gardening friends, we are the lucky recipients of a very long and lovely gardening season. As we continue removing boring lawns we are given the opportunity to bring color and beauty to our eyes, food for ourselves, the birds, bees and butterflies as well as lower our water consumption.

I wanted to bring attention to some of my personal favorites to add interest, structure and color into a low maintenance, low water use garden.

Manzanita "Dr Hurd" or "Sentinal"

In the nurseries nowadays 'Emerald Carpet' Manzanita gets all the attention, but these taller shrub/small multi-trunked trees deserve to be planted much more than they are. Their beautiful architectural red shimmery trunks and twisted branches create drama and the sage green leaves contrast to create an amazing feature. A California native, they require low water and are evergreen. This is the type of plant that can really be amazing with a bit of landscape lighting.

Mahonia "Soft Caress"

A *Sunset* introduction this is a great small/midsize shrub that is textural, evergreen, low care and very dependable. I use this often in many of my designs and my clients have all had good success with this plant. If it never bloomed I would still love the Soft Caress but the fact it has spikes of yellow blooms in late spring is an extra bonus. They flourish in sun to light shade, but not the hottest sun or the darkest shade.

Chondropetalum tectorum "Cape Rush"

This plant is not a true grass but will give you that vertical element and has a more dependable structure than most grasses do. Evergreen, with thin tubular spiked foliage Chondropetalum looks great next to water features or as accents. It starts out somewhat thin and wispy but fills in over a year or

two. Sun to light shade and moderate water.

And here are some really wonderful perennials for color and fillers in your garden that are worth a try.

Artotis "Pink Sugar," give them full sun, low water and you will have lots of bloom all summer and into fall.

Bidens ferulifolia "Goldilocks," have bright yellow flowers that bloom spring thru fall and maybe year round in warmer winters.

Salvia "Black and Blue," have dramatic deep florescent blue tubular flowers that will be visited by hummingbirds. They need full sun and moderate to low water and can be somewhat tender, but worth it!

For hard to find shade perennials my favorite are the Brunneras. There are many to choose from and they all have pretty heart shaped leaves, some variegated white or silver with green. Blue flowers are reminiscent of Forget Me Nots. Very dependable perennials for shade. not particularly drought tolerant but I personally have pushed them to once a week watering if they are mulched well without and reduction of vigor or bloom.

And Polystichum Tsus Simense, Korean Rock Fern, is an amazing little guy. He is the most drought tolerant fern I have ever personally found. Even in pots I was able to keep it happy and that can be difficult for ferns. That it is naturally found on the cliff faces in rocky ledges must have something to do with its perserverence. I have really fallen in love with them and my clients have almost always been successful.

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The Real Reality of Remodeling

by Fred Palmer

We love our home and like many of you, we spend enormous amounts of time making it comfortable and reflective of a style that fits our needs and lifestyle. Also like many of you, we dream of having the perfect kitchen, or wonderfully remodeled bathrooms or an outdoor kitchen, like they do in all the television reality makeover DIY shows.

The reality doesn't always seem so real to me when they do an entire makeover in three days, or the cost of the projects, like Design on a Dime, is a fraction of what it would cost any normal person whose not an ace carpenter, with \$30,000 worth of woodworking tools. Those shows make it look so easy, and so cheap too, but that is the magic of TV.

The real reality, is that most of us, myself included, are not that very handy and even if we were, there are lots of other components to a project that need to be thought out, like architectural designs, city permits and so much more.

We had a galley kitchen, and we both love to cook, but had little space to enjoy cooking and meals together so we dreamed of a

great, big, large eat-in kitchen. Since the housing market has had some wonderful increases we had some equity and decided to refinance and invest that equity into our kitchen.

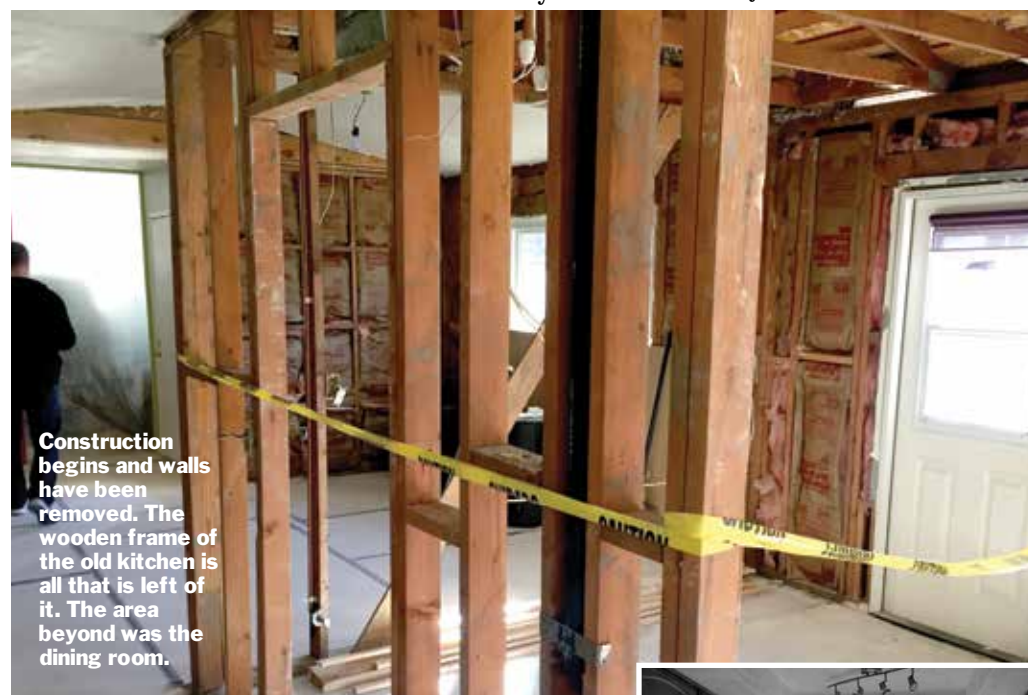
First step was to ask around for some referrals for designers, architects, and contractors. We knew a little about the concept and what we wanted to open up the space but we knew very little about permits, computer designs and all the other stuff. We met with a few different people and quickly found out that some do one thing or another very well, but maybe not the entire project. We found some general contractors that seemed reliable but they wanted us to hire a designer that would do the concepts at the cost of about \$1,200-\$2,500, plus hire an architect too. It became quite overwhelming. After several interviews and checking references, we made a decision on hiring one company that does the entire project from start to finish. We hired D & J Kitchens and Baths Inc., as they not only had the experience, they were well established in the community, certified, had won many industry awards and titles, but they also

handle the project from start to finish.

The first step was design and concept. The D & J team includes a full-time, certified designer who listened to all of our desires, and of course budget, to recommend different options. Nicole, our designer, worked with us to provide sketches of several different layouts

at their warehouse until needed on the job site, which also includes insurance on the items while they are being stored.

Demolition was the next phase, and my favorite, as they tore out the old to prepare for the new. Each day of demolition the crew cleaned up after the day's work to keep the house tidy as can be, as we had to



Construction begins and walls have been removed. The wooden frame of the old kitchen is all that is left of it. The area beyond was the dining room.



Although it was refreshed before I originally moved in, this was the entire kitchen. Think about how crowded it was with the fridge installed (it would be bottom left in this picture).

using the available space in a variety of layouts that helped maximize the space and include features we wanted. There is no fee for this service as it is included. The next step was to look at each possible layout and budget to see what we could afford, or start the process of elimination versus the must have list.

One of the reasons we chose them is the professionalism we felt and the communication they promised from our very first meeting. We really like the fact that they keep the project all under one roof with the plumbers, electrical, framing, tile cabinet and everything in between from ordering to install.

Once we defined the design and layout, we shopped with our designer to pick out appliances, sinks, faucets, and other fixtures. Later we shopped with her to pick out cabinets, tile and counters. We had ideas of what we wanted but it was really nice to have her assist in this process to keep it all in one project profile, keep track of pricing, budget, order and delivery dates to keep the project on time too. Another great bonus is that D & J accepts delivery of all the materials and appliances etc. and keeps them

live there during the construction. D & J communicated at each phase with weekly and daily updates so we knew what to expect along the way.

Our project is still in the works as I write this piece for our 21st Annual Homes and Gardens issue, but a continued story, along with photographs on the final product will be coming up in Outward soon.

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The Wine Thief: It May Just Steal You Away!

by Diana Kienle

The challenge for any boutique producer is getting their wine tasted by the most important people – the buying public. The cost of overhead for a tasting room is daunting and hiring tasting room associates is another big expense.

The best solution can be sharing overhead with others. This is how a “wine collective” is born. Bring many small, budding winemakers together and voila! What you have is a resource for all.

The Wine Thief is just that and more. It's the newest kid on the block in Napa, located across from the Oxbow Market. Oxbow Market is a destination by itself, and the convenience for wine lovers with the Wine Thief right next door is excellent.

To simply walk across the street and enjoy several wines from many talented winemakers is a real plus. The Wine Thief setting is hip and has a cool vibe. The design is that of clean lines as you step up to the bar and are hosted by professionals who know their business.

In fact, some of the folks pouring the tastings are the winemakers themselves. Not often do you get the chance to taste and chat with the person who makes the wine. No appointment necessary.

One of the principles is Andy Renda, who previously worked at the Vintner's Collective in Napa. He knows the wine business, and this venture is the real opportunity to showcase his winemaking skills as well.

In my tasting session, his Pinot Noir – Solamente – was a real winner. The wine presented with bright acidity and lush fruit that swept across the palate. He and his business partner Jarred Pearce also make a great cab (AJ Pearce), which was really plush with fruit and great tannic structure. I was taken by both of the wines.

There are several winemakers who are a part of this collective. Garrett Ahnfelt, whose label is G Wine Cellars, is another strong partner in the business. His wines are expressive and well balanced.

Another standout from the line up is Kale Wines. Kale Anderson is the winemaker for Pahlmeyer, and Kale Wines is his own label. His passion and love for Rhone varietals is very expressive in his wines.

Am I going on and on? Yes I am – and for good reason. The Wine Thief is a great place to explore new and interesting wines that are well made from boutique winemakers.

The “spirit” is lively (no pun intended), and the people are solid – folks I respect and like. This is a must visit when in downtown Napa!

Enjoy!

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Diana Kienle and Andy Renda at the Wine Thief. Photo by Cathy Schwamberger.



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Seven Tips to Create a Great Gender Neutral Space

words and image by Duarto

Decorating a room in a gender neutral fashion sounds like the room would end up like the interior of a flipped house – everything covered in tan.

However, with a little thought and some wise purchases, you can have a gender neutral space that isn't boring. Here are seven easy tips to help make your room pop.

1. As with most great interior designs, wall colors are usually going to have to last for a while, so they should be, well, neutral in color. White, cream, light grey, light brown, maybe even mauve. Keeping the colors lighter will help the room feel lighter and will maximize the options you have with the other features of the room.

2. Choose furniture with warm, natural tones. Rich wooden accents can be appreciated by anyone. Leather is another material, when using natural colors, that can go in most any room.

3. Don't be afraid to use chrome, brass or even black on accent pieces like lamps, lighting or side tables. Even a mirrored chest of drawers will add some drama, and as long as the ornate details are kept to a minimum the room will retain its wide appeal.

4. If it is a bedroom you are designing, buy nice linens. White sheets are a go-to for most people, but if you do that, plan on buy a blanket or duvet cover that includes some

color, and texture. For example, a light, moss green cotton woven blanket would do just that, and be neutral and not break the bank.

5. Pillows, throws and other textiles. This is where you can add some "pops of color." Oranges, greens, maybe even dark blue can breathe some life into a staid pallet and are very easily changed.

6. For artwork, black and white photographs, or even painted works are an easy go-to. Photographs allow for some personalization because you can easily choose photos that have specific meaning to you. Pictures of clowns would probably not be a safe bet.

7. Area rugs are another part of the room that allows you to add color and texture. A traditional rug, like a Kilim, will bring lots of deep, rich colors to your room and keep the overall look from looking too white washed. Their traditional designs have been around so long they transcend designs trends and will give you the freedom to redo and redesign around them in the future. Don't feel you need to match a bunch of items in the room with the rug.



A soft green paint color on the walls, blank and white pictures, rich wood tones on the table and a seagrass pouf combine to make this space neutral, but give it interest and texture.

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Outside Lands Festival Unveils 2016 Line-Up

The line-up for this year's 9th annual Outside Lands Festival, the world's only gourmet music festival, has been announced and the exceptional bill includes: Radiohead, Lcd Soundsystem, Lionel Richie, J. Cole, Lana Del Rey, Duran Duran, Zedd, Air, Sufjan Stevens, Ryan Adams, Beach House, Halsey, Grimes, Jason Isbell, The Last Shadow Puppets, Miike Snow, Kehlani, The Claypool Lennon Delirium, and more.

Outside Lands Festival, presented by Another Planet Entertainment, Superfly and Starr Hill, takes place August 5th - 7th, in San Francisco's historic Golden Gate Park.

Following five consecutive sold out years, Outside Lands is officially among the rare festivals anywhere in the world to sell out immediately upon announcement and ticket release.

Hailed by Rolling Stone as "one of America's best," Outside Lands is firmly established as an all-encompassing cultural event unlike any other in the world.

The world's only gourmet music festival, Outside Lands 2016 will once again offer ticket-holders a wide array of culinary options, from some of the best chef driven fare and street food the Bay Area has to offer to the most sought after wines and craft brews found in Northern California.



Beach House is one of the bands that will be performing at this year's Outside Lands.

Outside Lands organizers have said thank you to its host city and the other communities surrounding Golden Gate Park by giving back in increasingly more substantial ways. Since its inception in 2008, Outside Lands has raised over

\$13.7 million to benefit the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, with more than \$3 million raised in 2015 alone.

For tickets and a full day-by-day lineup breakdown, visit www.sfoutsidelands.com

The Lion Roars into SF

by Chris Narloch

If you haven't checked out American Conservatory Theater's new venue, the Strand Theater, on Market Street in the heart of San Francisco, you'll want to drive over and see its current offering, *The Lion*.



Benjamin Scheuer in *The Lion*

The highly acclaimed solo musical, written and performed by Benjamin Scheuer, is making its Northern California premiere beginning April 19.

Benjamin Scheuer uses his guitar – actually, six guitars – in *The Lion*, a wholly original musical experience that tells one man's gripping coming-of-age story about losing his father at a young age

and later fighting (and winning) a battle with stage IV Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

The award-winning songwriter inspires and disarms with his honesty, joy, and emotional depth as he leads you on a rock 'n' roll journey from boyhood to manhood, through pain and healing, to discover the redemptive power of music.

Watch Benjamin Scheuer perform "Loving You Will Be Easy" from *The Lion* at www.youtube.com/watch?v=R33Qp8pf_EI.

The Lion plays at A.C.T.'s Strand Theater for a strictly limited engagement through May 1.

Single tickets (ranging from \$25-\$55) are available at the A.C.T. Box Office by calling 415-749-2228 or online at www.actsf.org.

The Fantasticks Is Pretty Fantastic

by Chris Narloch

Choose between a timeless off-Broadway musical about star-crossed lovers, a one-act sung-thru monologue, and a gay play, all on Sacramento stages this month.

The Fantasticks

This classic musical from 1960 has been playing off-Broadway seemingly forever, and it's a sweet story that never goes stale, about a boy and a girl from neighboring families who fall in love, separate, and then return to each other bruised but enlightened and more in love than ever.

As staged by the very capable Melanie Smith, this production of *The Fantasticks* is the perfect showcase for two superb scene-stealers: Gary S. Martinez, hilarious as Henry, and the indispensable Jerry Lee, whose big voice fills the intimate Pollock stage at Sacramento Theatre Company beautifully as El Gallo.

The rest of the cast is more than fine, and if you have never had the pleasure of seeing *The Fantasticks* live, this lovely, entertaining production is a great place to start.

The Fantasticks plays through May 1 at STC. Visit www.sactheatre.org.

Arlington

If you are a theater nut like me, you are always on the hunt for something unique and unpredictable, and those adjectives definitely apply to this oddly appealing two-person play about a sheltered army wife



Gary S. Martinez as Henry and Jerry Lee as El Gallo in *The Fantasticks*. Photo by Barry Wisdom Photography.

who sings her story.

Analise Langford-Clark and Jonathan Blum shine in California Stage's production of *Arlington*. Langford-Clark plays Sara Jane, and Blum is her accompanist and also plays the various men in her life, who include her father and her military husband.

Bob Irvin stages the show very simply and effectively, and Langford-Clark succeeds in a role that is very demanding both dramatically and vocally.

The one-act chamber musical spins its web and reveals its secrets slowly but skillfully, as Sara Jane deals with challenges that include her overbearing family and a devastating loss.

Arlington plays through May 1 at the Three Penny Theatre in Midtown Sacramento. Visit www.calstage.org.

Goodbye Freddy

This play centers on a rather unique set of relationships between childhood friends who gather for the funeral of their one gay friend, Freddy. His impact on them was far reaching in life, and the secrets that come out after his death are even more of a shock to the group.

I wasn't able to catch this show before our deadline, but *Goodbye Freddy*, by Elizabeth Diggs, opens April 14 and runs through May 1 at the Wm. J. Geery Theatre in Sacramento.

Visit emhpros.weebly.com for more information.

Pet Shop Boys Hit the Charts with New CD *Super*



The Pet Shop Boys new album *Super* is out now, marking the band's 30th anniversary and features 12 new Tennant/Lowe compositions evoking the London club scene of the early 90s. You can listen to the new track "Happiness" at www.youtube.com/watch?v=QLPP0nAJxBo

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EastSiders Nominated for Two Daytime Emmy Awards



EastSiders: The Series has been nominated in the Outstanding Daytime Digital Drama Series category, and a nomination for Outstanding Actor for Van Hansis's performance. The funny and heartbreaking LGBT series premiered its first season on Logo in 2012. This marks Hansis' fourth Daytime Emmy nomination, having been nominated three times before for playing the role of Luke Snyder on *As The World Turns*, who made history with daytime television's first kiss between two men in 2007. *EastSiders: The Series* is available at www.eastsiderstheseries.com.

At Tower Theatre: *Everybody Wants Some!!*

by Chris Narloch

Richard Linklater, who directed such big-screen classics as *Boyhood* and *Dazed and Confused*, is back with another terrific film, *Everybody Wants Some!!*, that reinvents the college sex comedy with surprising results.

If you can imagine a sweeter, gentler, and much classier and more intelligent version of *Animal House*, that film would look a lot like *Everybody Wants Some!!* which follows a group of baseball players as they navigate their way through the freedoms and responsibilities of unsupervised adulthood.

Set over the last weekend before classes start, the movie is a fashion and music flashback for anyone who lived through the '70s and '80s. The handsome, young (mostly male) cast, led by the very likable Blake Jenner, is shown drinking and dancing and cruising around looking for girls, dressed in tight jeans and polyester shirts circa 1980.

At the house where they live, which might as well be a frat, the guys often walk around in gym shorts and half-shirts or without any shirts on at all. The whole thing feels oddly

homosexual, although none of the guys are gay, as far as we know.

I think Linklater is such a good guy that he was probably afraid the movie would face criticism because it's about horny young men. To avoid charges of sexism leveled at similar movies in the past, he limits the female nudity to almost nothing and instead shows a lot of male skin.

As a gay male viewer, I wholeheartedly support this approach, and, in addition to enjoying all the beefcake on display I was moved, amused and very entertained by *Everybody Wants Some!!*

The movie is scheduled to open at Sacramento's Tower Theatre on April 15.

Note: For more reviews of new movies currently in theaters, visit www.outwordmagazine.com.

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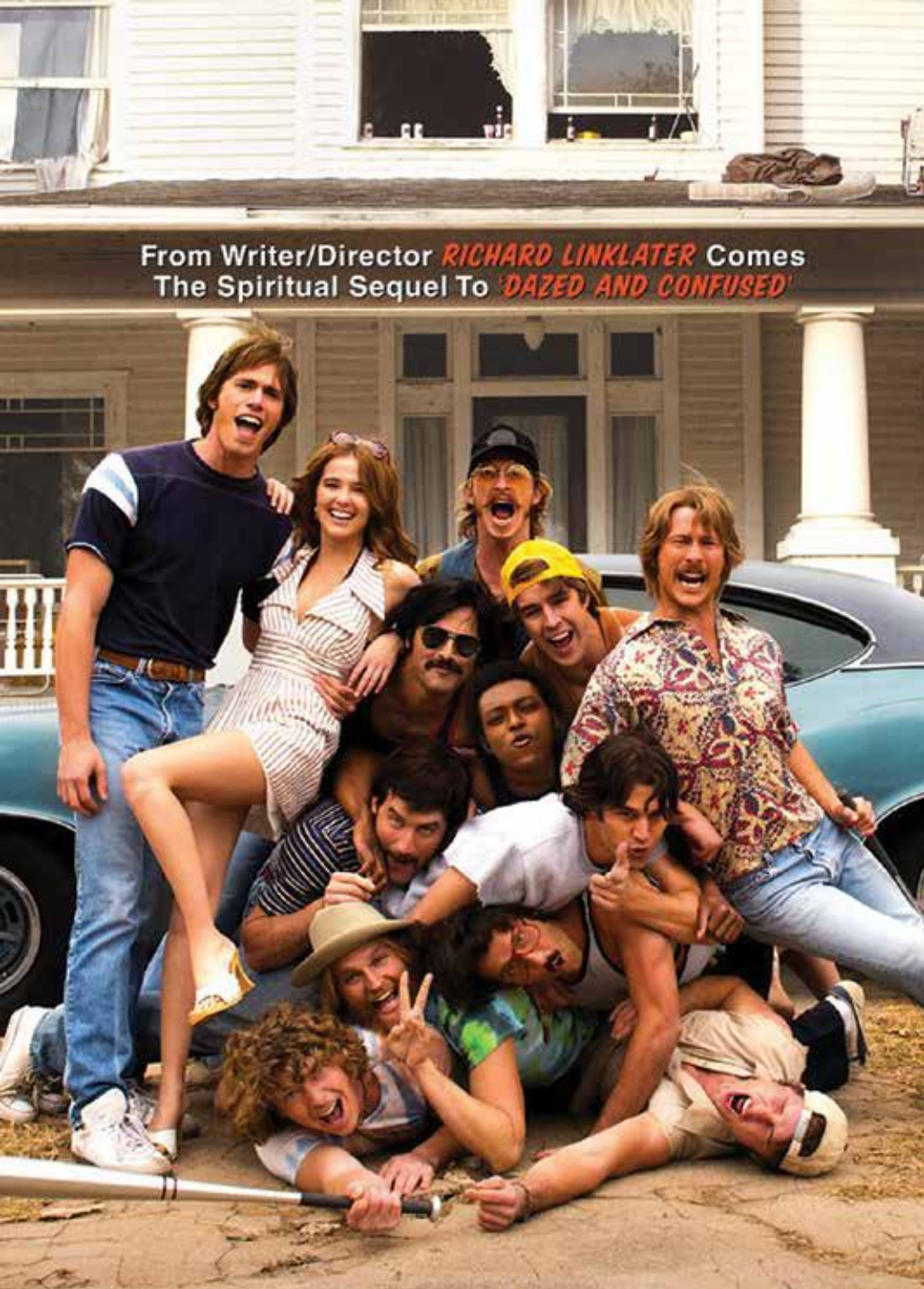
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2016 IGLA Championships: Swimming, Diving & Pink Flamingos

by Harry Andrew

It may seem a bit too early to think about a swimming event, especially when it's being held in Edmonton, Canada, while much of the U.S. is covered in snow and ice, but registration is now open for the 2016 IGLA (International Gay & Lesbian Aquatics) Championships.



Photo by Jack Mackenroth (pictured center)

The Aquatics Championships will be held from August 8-14, and they already have athletes from North America, Europe and Australia signed up.

This international aquatic gathering that takes place in years between the Gay Games, has been held in Stockholm, Seattle, Reykjavik, Honolulu, Copenhagen, Washington, D.C. and Paris.

At the 2014 Gay Games held in Cleveland, the Making Waves Aquatics Club of Edmonton won the bid to host this year's championships, making this the first time since 2001 (Toronto) the championships have been held in Canada.

With over 1,000 participants and an additional several hundred family, fans and officials expected, the sanctioned masters competition will bring Alberta the largest gay sporting event in the province's history. The Making Waves Aquatics Club team is busy preparing to host athletes from around the world to compete in swimming, diving, water polo, synchronized swimming (aka synchro), open water swimming and the famous Pink Flamingo.

"My first IGLA swimming championships were in Toronto in 2001 followed by the Sydney Gay Games in 2002. I had such great experiences and met so many friends that it inspired me to share that experience with others. The parties were fun too!" said Mike Stansberry, IGLA 2016 co-chair.

When asked about the Pink Flamingo, he said "The best way to describe it is a drag aqua-follies synchro show in water ... done in the dive tank. It can be a mix of swimming, choreography on the deck, diving off the platform and costumes." Sadly, he said there are no feathers or glitter allowed, but only "because they clog the pool filters."

While IGLA is an international organization that promotes aquatic sports for

gay men and women, it's also open to friends of the LGBT community. Making Waves Aquatics Club is Edmonton's inclusive masters swim club and water polo team, and since 1999 they've fostered participation in aquatic sports in a gay-positive environment that's supportive of all athletes.

And if you're a serious competitive swimmer, an IGLA competition is a safe bet since part of its mission is to "ensure maintenance of the highest standards for aquatic competitions and international standards for all Gay Games and IGLA Championships."

"We're thrilled with the response we're getting from the international community, particularly the Americans with their strong dollar in relation to the Canadian Loonie," said Justin Shields, IGLA 2016 co-chair.

With 63 IGLA member teams that represent approximately 2,700 athletes from 17 countries, a number of them are sending multiple teams. Shields said "I've already heard that the Sydney Stingers and the Toronto Triggerfish water polo teams were planning to send two teams each to the tournament; in fact Edmonton started its own LGBT water polo team because of local interest in hosting!"

If you're already involved in any area of competitive swimming or thinking about it, join your local IGLA member team and sign up now. Then you can allow thoughts of pink flamingos and August in Edmonton, a beautiful city in the summer near the Canadian Rockies, to warm and thaw you over the rest of this crazy winter.

To register or for more information on the 2016 IGLA Championships, go to IGLA2016.org.

Harry Andrew is a regular contributor to *Compete Magazine*, the world's only sports diversity magazine. CompeteNetwork.com.

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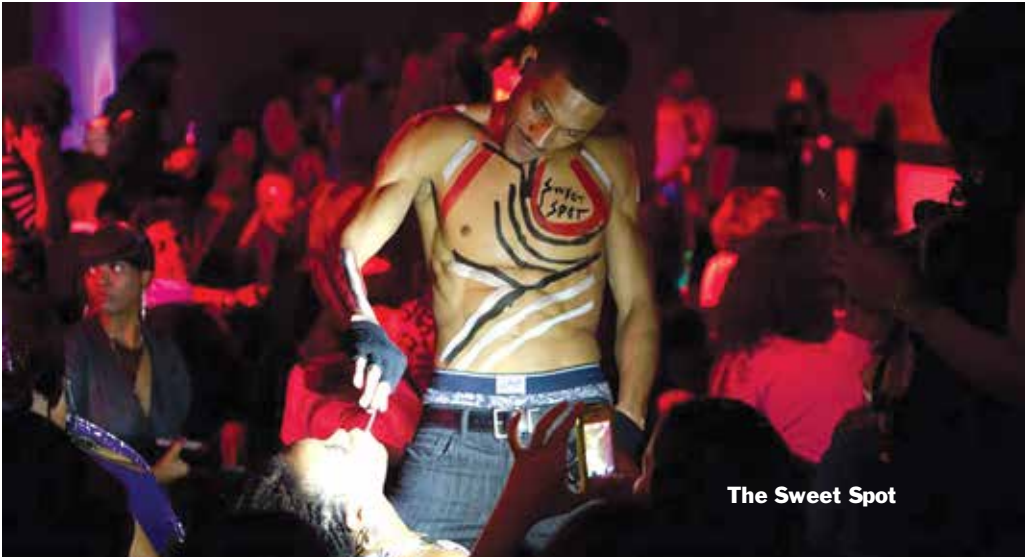
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Celebrate Sex at *The Sweet Spot*

Celebrate the sexier side of life as the traveling “pop-erotica” variety show *The Sweet Spot* comes to Sacramento with its “Make It Rain” edition.



The Sweet Spot

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Now touring to more than 30 cities, *The Sweet Spot* will bring its signature mix of high-energy performances to Laughs Unlimited in Old Sacramento, offering a thrilling show at which adults of all persuasions can enjoy and engage with

the erotic arts in a fun, safe and nonjudgmental atmosphere.

This sensational theater production features the world's best performance poets, live body art, burlesque, fashion, musicians, top 40 DJs, comedians and more.

The Sweet Spot, which comes to Sacramento on Thursday evening, April 28, is for men, women, couples and singles, but not for children. Please visit www.sweetspotnation.com and www.laughsunlimited.com.

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With a history as Sacramento’s longest-running outdoor music festival, Concerts in the Park (CIP) returns for its 25th season on May 6, 2016 with an exciting new brand that captures the energy that is pulsing through downtown, and an impressive lineup of nationally touring artists and the region’s greatest musical talents.

Managed by the Downtown Sacramento Partnership, the free summer music festival launches at Cesar Chavez Plaza and continues each Friday night from 5 to 9 p.m. through July 29 (note: there is no concert on July 1).

Designed by Honey Agency, the new brand pays tribute to CIP’s home for the past 25 years – Cesar Chavez Plaza in downtown Sacramento. The brand pulls in art deco elements from the park, along with representations of iconic downtown buildings.

However, the design is really two-fold. The bottom portion of the logo draws inspiration from the Sacramento Public Library but can also be viewed as a record. The portion that was inspired by the Renaissance Tower doubles as a microphone and the Wong Center is reminiscent of a headstock on a guitar.

The lineup is equally reflective of CIP’s influence on Sacramento’s local music scene and features nationally touring artists like Chuck Ragan, Hail the Sun, and Tyler Rich, along with local favorites like James Cavern, The Brodys, and Who

Cares.

Additionally, Sacramento’s hottest DJs will be spinning between sets. “The energy that is pulsing through downtown Sacramento is palpable. And nothing captures that energy better than Concerts in the Park,” said Downtown Sacramento

Partnership Events Manager Sureena Johl. “This year’s lineup is a testament to CIP’s prominence in that it has now become a draw for nationally touring artists. However, the majority of the artists have Sacramento-area roots and CIP

remains deeply committed to showcasing the region’s greatest musical talents.”

The full lineup can be viewed at godowntownsac.com/cip. Join the conversation using #CIP2016.

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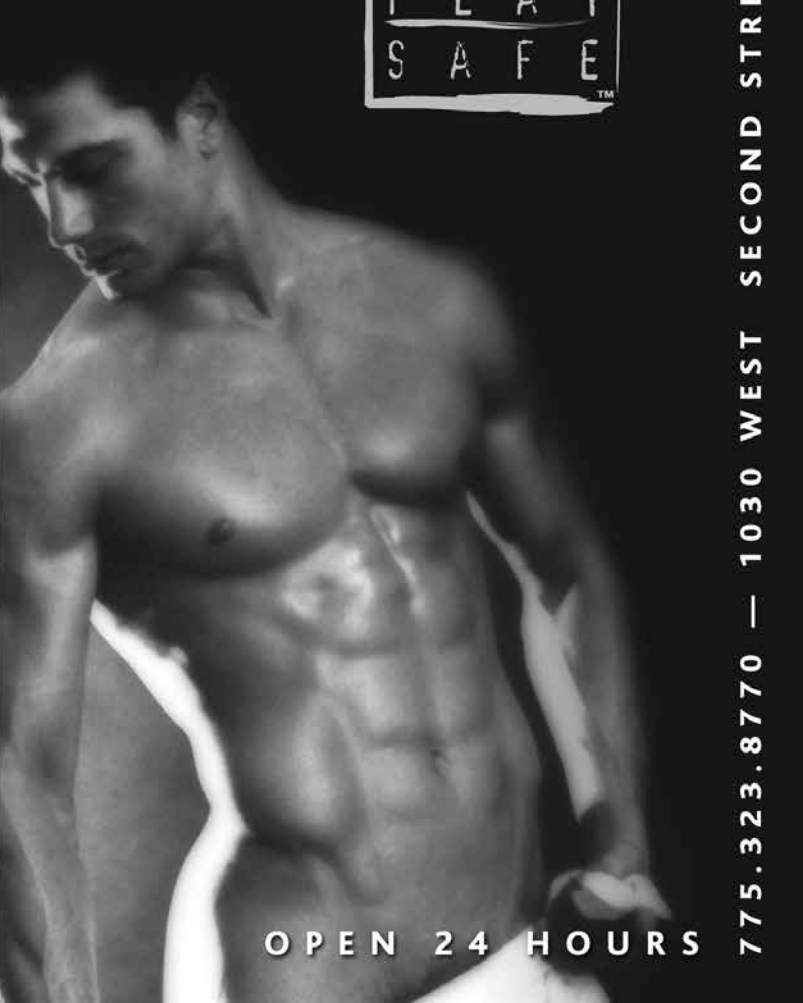
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