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NEW THIS WEEK

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January 20th at 5:30pm



Movie: Harriet

Showtime: 8:00 pm, Castro Theatre

Meeting Time: 5:30 pm for dinner or 7:30 pm in the line outside the theater

About a dozen MAX members enjoyed last week's MAX Friday Movie, *Just Mercy*. We've decided to offer another special movie night activity this month, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day on Monday, January 20th.

Join us THIS Monday evening for the 8 pm showing of *Harriet* at the Castro Theater. The film is based on the thrilling and inspirational life of an iconic American freedom fighter and abolitionist, Harriet Tubman, who escaped slavery and risked her life to lead others to freedom through the network of safehouses known as the Underground Railroad. Her courage, ingenuity, and tenacity freed hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history.

Those who wish to eat together beforehand are invited to join us at 5:30 p.m. at [Starbelly](#) (3583 16th Street, in the Castro at the corner of Market St and 16th St).

Or if you prefer, meet us in the line that queues outside the theater (if there is a queue) or just outside the entrance to the theater, next to the theater's ticket kiosk, between 7:30 to 7:45pm. Look for your event champion, Bruce, who will have a MAX shirt and sign.

Please be sure to RSVP to give the event champion, Bruce, an idea how big the group will be.

Get the details and RVSP:

REGISTER

February San Francisco Bars of Interest with Nick Wade: Tonga Room & Hurricane Bar Wednesday February 12th at 5:00pm





Join Nick Wade, MAX SF Programs and Events Chair, at the famous San Francisco tiki bar, the Tonga Room & Hurricane Bar.

The Tonga Room & Hurricane Bar is an iconic San Francisco institution. Located on Nob Hill in the lower levels of the San Francisco Fairmont hotel, this world famous tiki venue serves exceptional tropical drinks (the Mai Tai is one of the City's best), serves Polynesian-fusion cuisine, and features live entertainment. The unique tropical setting includes a floating stage for the band and "surprise" thunder and lightning storms!

Held on the second Wednesday of each month, Nick explores bars of interest in San Francisco in this monthly event series.

There is no cover charge and a no-host bar.

A \$10 per person entertainment fee is charged starting at 8:15 pm, regardless of arrival time.

Please RSVP to let Nick know you'll be joining him.

Get the details and RSVP:

[REGISTER](#)

My Favorite Place: Greens Restaurant Sunday February 16th at 5:30pm



Join Paul Munro for dinner at one of his favorite places, [Greens Restaurant](#).

Green Restaurant is the internationally renowned vegetarian restaurant in Ft. Mason founded by the San Francisco Zen Center. Greens has been a perennial top 100 Bay Area restaurant according to the San Francisco Chronicle, recognized as one of America's best restaurants by Zagat, and is a Michelin Guide recommendation.

With an ever-changing [menu](#) and the best, freshest ingredients, Greens offers sophisticated, meatless cuisine packed with transcendent, satisfying flavors.

Greens also offers a spectacular panorama of the Golden Gate Bridge, Marine Headlands, and the Marina through its floor-to-ceiling windows.

Advance \$30 deposit is required to join us. Your deposit will be applied to the cost of your meal and beverages. Each diner will be responsible for paying for their food and drinks in excess of the deposit. No refunds for cancellations after Thursday, February 13th.

Space is limited, so reserve your spot TODAY!

Get the details and Register:

REGISTER

Bourbon Tasting in San Francisco Saturday February 29th at 5:00pm



Get ready for bourbon tasting (once again)! This party was so much fun and so successful last year, so we decided to do a repeat.

Join us and sample fine bourbons and bourbon drinks, including the Kentucky Derby favorite, the Mint Julep. We'll try to get a few different kinds of bourbon from last year. For food, we will again be serving Kentucky Derby burgoo (a stew unique to Kentucky and a meal in itself). We will also have our famous bourbon chocolate dessert.

This event will be held at a MAX member's glamorous penthouse on Telegraph Hill with sweeping views of the San Francisco Bay and the Golden Gate - the same venue as last year. The exact address will be sent a week in advance to those who register. The fun starts at 5pm and continues to 8pm.

Bruce Cecil and Philip Carberry again are the MAX Hosts. Bruce brings the regional expertise, as he is originally from Louisville Kentucky. We also are hoping that this event will build some enthusiasm for a possible MAX trip in June to Kentucky. We will have more info about this proposed trip on February 29th at the Bourbon Tasting Party.

We are limiting the number of attendees to 25, so don't miss out on this fabulous event.

The price is \$25 for MAX dues-paying members, and \$35 for others and guests.

Unfortunately, there can be no refunds because of the purchasing that must be accomplished before the party.

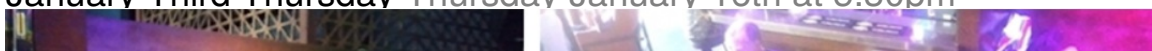
All participants must be age 21 or older.

Get the details and Register:

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

January Third Thursday Thursday January 16th at 5:30pm





On Thursday join us at Beaux Bar from 5:30 pm to 8 pm for MAX SF's "Third Thursday". Join a great crowd of gay men and their friends for cocktails at happy hour prices, conversation, and spectacular performances at the nearby piano.

Beaux Bar, 2344 Market St, SF.

Get the details and RSVP:

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Read the details above under New This Week.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

All upcoming events can be viewed on the MAX SF website [calendar](#).

Note: A Meetup account is *not required* to sign-up for any MAX SF event. **You always have the choice to sign-up for any MAX SF event on our website [calendar](#).**

SOLD OUT! *My Favorite Place*: Chinese New Year's Eve Banquet at Hong Kong Lounge Friday January 24th at 7:30pm

This event has sold out! *Join the waitlist in case of any cancellations.*

We've reserved 20 seats, exclusively for MAX, on the very weekend of Chinese New Year, at one of San Francisco's most authentic Chinese restaurants, Hong Kong Lounge.

We'll be gathering with event champions Bruce Cecil and Jim Tom at 7:30 pm for a 10-course authentic Chinese banquet that will include BBQ platter, fresh crab meat with fish maw soup, honey walnut prawns, beef cube in Maggie sauce, Imperial Peking duck, ginger scallion lobster, pan fried sea bass, Tomago tofu, dessert, and more

Cost is only \$65 per person for MAX members and \$75 for non-MAX members, including all tips and taxes. This also includes wine with our family-style dinner and champagne to toast in the Chinese New Year, the Year of the Rat. Other drinks are extra. No refunds for cancellations after Tuesday, January 21st

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Pre-payment is required to join us.

Hong Kong Lounge is located at 5322 Geary Blvd. in the Richmond District of San Francisco.

Get the details and Register:

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January Fourth Sundays at the Pilsner Inn Sunday January 26th at 3:00pm

MAX is bringing back Fourth Sundays, this time at the tried and true casual gay/mixed bar, the [Pilsner Inn](#).

Join us and enjoy a fun afternoon of conversation, drinks, and getting to know other men in the MAX community in a casual relaxed environment.

MAX Board member Jerry Tusan will be hosting the event, and weather permitting, we'll gather on the patio. Otherwise, Jerry will set us up in a corner of the inside bar.

There is no cover charge and a no-host bar.

For this initial Fourth Sunday at the Pilsner Inn, we'll also be providing some light snacks.

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon with a fun crowd of gay men and their friends!

Get the details and RSVP:

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Porgy and Bess: The Met Opera Live in HD Saturday February 1st at 9:30am

Join MAX for The Metropolitan Opera *Live in HD* theater broadcast of the George Gershwin opera *Porgy and Bess*. The opera will be simulcast to the Century Theatre in in the Westfield San Francisco Centre on Saturday, February 1st, starting at 9:55 AM.

Porgy and Bess is an English-language opera filled with an embarrassment of rich melodies from the American songbook. The songs just roll out one after another as this tragic love triangle plays out in the Catfish Row section of Charleston.

After the opera, those interested can join us at The Rotunda restaurant in the nearby Neiman Marcus for a 1:45pm [lunch](#) (deposit required). The Rotunda is a short 10-minute walk from the theatre.

For dues-paying members and their guests, we have reserved a block of 6 tickets midway back and left of center in the theatre. The cost for the pre-purchased tickets to watch the opera is \$29.

Get the details and RSVP:

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Chairman's First Friday Friday February 7th at 6:00pm

Join us Friday February 7th, from 6:00 to 8:30 pm for our monthly Chairman's First Friday at Beaux Bar (2344 Market St, San Francisco), conveniently located in the Castro neighborhood.

Come down and join us at Beaux! In February our Chairman's First Friday promises to be

a great way to visit with old friends, make new friends, and unwind at the end of the week. There is no admission fee and a no-host bar.

Get the details and RSVP:

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MAX Cruise: Wine Cruise to Mexico with MAX Thursday March 19th - Monday March 23rd, 2020

Guadalupe Wine Tour Over Half Sold Out!

Come join MAX and your host David Petlin for a four night round-trip sailing out of SAN FRANCISCO on board the beautiful Carnival Miracle. That's right, **no air fare needed!** Sail to Sunny Ensenada Mexico where we will meet our hosts for a wonderful day adventuring through the Guadalupe Valley – [Mexico's answer to Napa Valley](#) – for a spectacular day of wine tasting including a 5-course lunch at a 5-star restaurant.

Cruise price starts at only \$389 a person double occupancy plus taxes, fees, and gratuities.

The cruise is selling fast at this point and some select category of cabins are selling out.

The excursion to Mexico's wine country, including transportation, tastings at three wineries, and the prix fixe lunch will be \$150 per person. The fee to MAX will be \$25 per dues-paying member/\$50 all others. **This private excursion to the wine country is limited to the first 30.**

Call or email Our Travel Host - David Petlin at 415-890-6331 or david@travelbyflair.com to reserve your spot. Interested but looking to avoid the dreaded single supplement charge? Contact David to be put on our roommate match list and he will assist you with finding a roommate.

Get the Details:

EVENT DETAILS

MAX STORIES

Check out these MAX Stories in case you missed them in last week's newsletter:

My Favorite Place: The Blind Butcher

On Tuesday December 17th, 2019, eight from MAX gathered at [The Blind Butcher](#) for MAX's December My Favorite Place dinner.

Read the story and see the group [here](#).

Sign-up for our February My Favorite Place dinner at Greens Restaurant, described below under New This Week.

Palm Springs "Pink Elephant" Holiday Party

On Sunday, December 29th, 2019, MAX Chairman Mike Barsul and Event Champion Lorenzo Taylor hosted a group of 30 locals and out-of-town MAX guests for an elegant "Pink" cocktail party.

Read the story and check out the pictures [here](#).

PERFORMING ARTS TICKETS

As a special benefit for MAX dues-paying members, several performing arts groups offer discounts for selected performances. If you are a MAX dues-paying member, read about these discount benefits [here](#).

Note: You must be logged in to the [MAX SF website](#) as a dues-paying member to access the MAX Discount webpage (click the little person icon in the upper right corner of the MAX SF website to login.) If you forgot your password, click [here](#). If you are a dues-paying member and have forgotten which email account you used for your membership, email conciierge@maxsf.org.

Discounted tickets are currently available for:

- Selected BroadwaySF performances (including discounted orchestra and mezzanine level tickets to ***Hamilton*** January 8th – May 31st).

For any questions, please contact MAX SF Programs and Events Chair, Nick Wade at wade.nicky@yahoo.com.

If you are interested in championing a MAX event, please email me at wade.nicky@yahoo.com

- Nick Wade, Programs and Events Chair, MAX SF

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