



NEWSLETTER
Mid-November 2023

Dear MAX Members and Friends,

We have some fun social and cultural events scheduled through the holidays!
We hope to see you at one of these events soon!

Please be aware of member versus non-member rates if a price differential exists between the two when registering for events. Members only can register for themselves to obtain the member rate. Registering another person as a guest will be at the non-member rate even if the guest is a member. Sorry, but that is a limitation of the system.

Members whose renewals are past due over a month will be suspended and they will stop receiving the newsletters and other benefits of membership. Go to www.maxsf.org to renew or contact conciierge@maxsf.org with any questions.

Regards,

Jim Tom, Chairman

Upcoming Events

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[December 15 - Holiday Champagne and Wine Social - *Wait list only*](#)

[December 19 - Smuin Ballet \(LGBTQ+ Night\) and optional dinner](#)

Other Planned Events

Other events already scheduled or in the planning stages include the following plus our usual bi-monthly gatherings at Beaux.

February - Chinese New Year dinner

Note: All upcoming events also can be seen on the MAX website/calendar at www.maxsf.org. Clicking on a newsletter link herein and then seeing "Page not found (error

404)" indicates link was corrupted. **Please go directly to the website at www.maxsf.org to register if the hyperlinks herein do not work.**

[Recap of Recent Events](#)

Third Thursday at Beaux

Come socialize with old friends and make some new friends at Third Thursday on **November 16th** at Beaux Bar, 2344 Market Street. The event goes from 5:30pm to 7:30 pm. There is no entry or cover charge for this event. Happy hour prices apply as mixed drinks are buy one, get one free until 7pm. We hope to see you there!

Life and Times of Malcolm X - NY Met Opera Live Simulcast in HD

UPDATE: Venue Changed to AMC Kabuki 8 Due to APEC

Saturday, November 18. 9:30am -1pm (opera) / Optional lunch afterward

Join MAX to watch The Metropolitan Opera *Live in HD* theater broadcast of "**X: The Life and Times of Malcolm X**", at the Kabuki 8 (1881 Post St). The opera will be simulcast live from the New York Lincoln Center, starting at 9:55 AM.



The opera sketches an outline of the short but eventful life of Malcolm X. The opera's narrative sketches the galvanic life and career of the controversial activist in a series of fast-moving vignettes which trace his trajectory from hate to love. A groundbreaking and influential opera, with a score by composer Anthony Davis and a libretto by playwright Thulani Davis, *X: The Life and Times of Malcolm X* first premiered in 1986 at the New York City Opera. This production features a newly revised, layered, jazz-inflected score and a potent new staging that imagines Malcolm as an Everyman whose story transcends time and space. Read more about the opera [here](#).

We'll meet upstairs in the lobby of the Theatre by 9:30 AM to give everyone time to get any refreshments and get settled before the show begins at 9:55 AM. The opera will run three hours and twenty-five minutes with two intermissions.

After the opera, those interested can join us at a nearby restaurant for [lunch](#) (deposit required). *Restaurant details coming soon.*

We have reserved 7 tickets. We'll be sitting in seats G3 – G7 and D6 – D7. You may view the seating chart for this performance [here](#).

The cost for the pre-purchased tickets to watch the opera is \$29. The deadline to register and reserve a ticket is Thursday, November 16th. Sorry, no refunds after Thursday, November 16th. To register and purchase these pre-purchased tickets, go to: <https://maxsf.org/event-5454088>

To cancel a pre-purchased ticket or if you have any questions, email event co-champion Paul Munro at paul.munro@members.maxsf.org with MalcolmX in the subject line.

First Friday at Beaux

Come socialize with old friends and make some new friends at First Friday on **December 1st** at Beaux Bar, 2344 Market Street. The event goes from 5:30pm to 7:30 pm. There is no entry or cover charge for this event. Happy hour prices apply as mixed drinks are buy one, get one free until 7pm. We hope to see you there!

Dinner at Tuba

Thursday, December 7. 5:30/6:30pm-8pm. Please join us at [Tuba Restaurant](#) for an evening of excellent Turkish/Mediterranean cuisine. We will start with a Happy Hour at 5:30pm and will sit down for dinner at 6:30pm. Tuba is located at 1007 Guerrero Street, off 22nd Street. Information for the restaurant be found at: <https://www.tubarestaurantsf.com>



Dinner will start with a variety of Turkish appetizers, "mezze". Then you can choose from the restaurant's extensive menu of entrees. We will follow that with a Turkish dessert and special tea. By the way, our trusted MAX restaurant reviewers gave this place high ratings. The \$55 member price is all-inclusive of food, wine, tax, and tip. Price is \$60 for non-members. MAX will provide complimentary wine for Happy Hour and dinner.

To register go to: <https://maxsf.org/event-5490493>

Space is limited! No refunds for cancellations after Tuesday, December 5. If the event is full, add your name to the waitlist and Stephen will contact the restaurant to see if additional diners can be added. For more information, contact Stephen Geisheker at stephen.geisheker@maxsf.org

San Francisco Conservatory of Music Orchestra in Concert

Saturday, December 9. 7:30pm-9:30pm. Please join MAX for a splendid concert presented by the SF Conservatory of Music Orchestra on December 9 at 7:30pm. The concert will be held at the Caroline H. Hume Concert Hall, 50 Oak Street, off Van Ness. The link for this concert is:

<https://sfc.edu/experience/performances/sfc-orchestra-vinay-parameswaran>



Vinay Parameswaran will conduct the SFCM Orchestra performing this wonderful music:

Gioachino Rossini: Overture to *Semiramide*

Mary Kouyoumdjian: *Walking With Ghosts*

Ludwig van Beethoven: *Symphony No. 3 in E-flat major, Op. 55 "Eroica"*

I. Allegro con brio

II. Marcia funebre. Adagio assai

III. Scherzo. Allegro vivace

IV. Finale. Allegro molto

To register go to: <https://maxsf.org/event-5493270>

The concert is free, but advance tickets are required and will be provided to those who register with MAX. Please register by December 7. We have enough tickets for 20 people, but additional tickets may be available directly from SFCM. If you must cancel, please notify the organizer out of courtesy and enable others to go if tickets are not available.

After the concert we will have the opportunity to share a drink or a dessert at one of the nearby places in Hayes Valley (TBD).

For questions, please contact Stephen Geisheker at stephen.geisheker@maxsf.org

Holiday Champagne and Wine Social - *Wait list only*

Friday, December 15. 6pm -9pm. Join MAX to welcome the holidays with an elegant evening of champagne, fine wines, heavy appetizers and friends. The event will be held on Friday, December 15th from 6 to 9 pm at an upscale residence in Nob Hill with views of the bay and Grace Cathedral.



Cost is \$30 a person for members and \$36 for non-members. Holiday attire is encouraged. Space is strictly limited to 35 people. Dues-paying MAX members will have early priority to purchase tickets relative to non-members. No cancellation refunds after December 10. A waitlist will be available for cancellations. To register go to: <https://maxsf.org/event-5470460>

Address will be provided approximately one week prior to the event. For further information, contact Jerry Tusan at Jerry.tusan@maxsf.org

Smuin's The Christmas Ballet LGBTQ+ Night

Tuesday, December 19. 7:30pm -9:30 (ballet) / 5:30pm (Optional dinner)

Join MAX for ***Smuin's The Christmas Ballet LGBTQ+***

Night performance. Smuin Ballet's fiercely festive 2023 edition of their annual *Smuin's The Christmas Ballet* returns – showcasing Smuin's exquisite signature style in a dazzling program of ballet, contemporary, character, Broadway jazz, and tap in two acts.



For the one-night-only LGBTQ+ Night, Smuin Ballet has created special programming and casting that celebrates our vibrant LGBTQ+ community. The performance is divided into a classical first half and a fun and jazzy second half featuring red-hot contemporary dances set to pop favorites. For more information about [Smuin Ballet](#), San Francisco's premier contemporary ballet company, click [here](#).

Smuin Ballet also will be offering an **optional afterparty** on the LGBTQ+ Night. More information on how to purchase tickets to the afterparty will be provided later to those who register with MAX for this event.

Tickets are on Sale - Reserve Your Seats Today! MAX dues-paying members will get a **20% discount** for Gold, Silver, and Bronze seating sections (all seating options except Platinum seats). Read how to get the discount code [here](#).

Note: You must log in to the MAX SF website as a dues-paying member to access this link. 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. **Alternatively, if you are a dues-paying member, you can email the event champion Paul Munro at paul.munro@members.maxsf.org for the discount code.**

To purchase your tickets from Smuin, click [here](#). More instructions to purchase are detailed on the MAX website at: <https://maxsf.org/event-5453118>

After you have purchased tickets, please click REGISTER to RSVP and let us know you'll be joining us for this performance. We will let those who RSVP know how to purchase tickets to the afterparty once those tickets become available.

For any questions, please contact the event champion, Paul Munro, at paul.munro@members.maxsf.org.

Optional pre-ballet dinner - For those interested, also join us for a [pre-performance dinner](#) at Amber India. For those interested, join Paul Munro before the show at Amber India, a five-minute walk from the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. Read the details and reserve your space for this pre-performance dinner [here](#).

Recap of Recent Events

Halloween Costume Party - A sold out crowd enjoyed a festive event that featured many wonderful creative and colorful costumes, as well as bountiful appetizers, wine and drinks. Almost everyone presented a photo opportunity for others. First prize for best costume could have gone to several people. Thanks to John Newmeyer and Keith Sjöholm for opening their home! Many more photos are on the photo archive for this event on the MAX website.







