
RADCLIFFE CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO

APRIL EVENTS 2011

Culinary Adventures: **San Francisco: Thursday, April 14, 11:30 a.m.** at *Quan Bac*, 4112 Geary Blvd. (between 5th and 6th Avenues across from French Hospital/Kaiser). The Inner Richmond has an amazing trove of interesting restaurants – let's get down to exploring! This Vietnamese restaurant is a Patricia Unterman favorite; she raves about the chicken salad, the lotus and jellyfish salad, and claims that chef Sarah Le's versions of street food are better than what she's eaten on the sidewalks of Hanoi – puffy crepes and fillings wrapped in a lettuce leaf; great pho. RSVP to Pat Bourne, patriciabourne@post.harvard.edu or 415.474.0212. 38 Geary, 2 Clement, 2-hour and meter parking not too bad.

Book Group: **Sunday, April 10 at (note change of time) 2 p.m.** at the home of Ellie Zuckerman, 765 Market Street, Apt 23F, San Francisco. RSVP to Ellie at 415-222-6111 (home), 925-876-8261 (cell), or elz@post.harvard.edu. The book for April is TRUMAN by David McCullough. It's quite long, so you'll want to start on it early. The book for May is SAILING ALONE AROUND THE WORLD by Joshua Slocum.

Writing Group: The Writing Group is not meeting this month. Check the May newsletter for time and place.

Film Group: **Saturday, April 30 at 2 p.m.** at the San Francisco Towers home of Ellie Zuckerman, 1661 Pine Street, #511, San Francisco. We will be watching TEA WITH MUSSOLINI, based in part on director Franco Zeffirelli's autobiography, about a group of British and American travelers on an extended visit to Fascist Italy in 1935, when Mussolini was "just a man who made the trains run on time." This wonderful drama, with a touch of comedy features a cast of superb actresses, among whom are Maggie Smith, Joan Plowright, Judi Dench, Lily Tomlin, and last but not least, Cher. RSVP to Ellie at 415-447-5695 (home) or 925-876-8261 (cell), or elz@post.harvard.edu. Parking is available if Ellie is notified ahead of time.

Museum Dates: **Private Docent Tours.** Guests welcome! Please arrive 10 minutes early. Join us afterwards for coffee or lunch at the museum café or other local place. RSVP to Alison Boeckmann at 415-661-5849 (home), 415-317-2150 (cell) or alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu. Send check (made out to Alison Boeckmann) to Alison Boeckmann, 1536 Willard Street, SF 94117.

Sunday, April 17, 9 a.m., at the Legion of Honor: Pulp Fashion: "The Art of Isabelle de Borchgrave." Working in collaboration with leading costume historians and young fashion designers, Belgian artist Isabelle de de Borchgrave crafts a world of splendor from the simplest rag paper. She forms trompe l'oeil masterpieces of elaborate dresses inspired by rich depictions in early European painting or by iconic costumes in museum collections around the world. The Legion of Honor is the first American museum to dedicate an entire exhibition to the work of Isabelle de Borchgrave, although her creations have been widely displayed in Europe. \$20 for seniors; \$22 for adults

Sunday, May 22, 9:30 a.m., at the de Young: "Balenciaga and Spain" Examines the profound and enduring influence of Spain on the work of haute couture master Cristóbal Balenciaga. The impact of Spanish culture, history, and traditions is explored through the recurring themes in Balenciaga's oeuvre. Self-guided tour (no docent). Afterwards, we'll meet at the cafe at about 11 a.m. No cost for members of FAMSF and guests; \$22 for seniors; \$25 for others. Pay the museum directly at the door. Tickets are not timed. RSVP to Mary Claugus: maryclaugus@att.net or 415-359-0644.

Sunday, June 26, 10 a.m., at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art: "The Steins Collect Matisse, Picasso, and the Parisian Avant-garde." American expatriates in bohemian Paris, the Steins — writer Gertrude, her brothers Leo and Michael, and Michael's wife, Sarah — were among the first to recognize the talents of avant-garde painters like Henri Matisse and Pablo Picasso. Through their friendship and patronage, they helped spark an artistic revolution. This landmark exhibition draws on collections around the world to reunite the Steins' unparalleled collections of modern art. Cost: \$10 for members of SFMOMA and guests. \$31 for others.

Sunday, July 24, 11 a.m., at the Contemporary Jewish Museum: "Seeing Gertrude Stein: Five Stories" Drawing upon a wealth of rarely seen artistic and archival materials, this exhibit illuminates Stein's life and pivotal role in art during the 20th century. Cost: \$10 for members of the CJM and guests; \$17 for others.

SPECIAL NOTE: the de Young is showing "Picasso: Masterpieces from the Musée National Picasso, Paris" June 11, 2011 - October 9, 2011. We will not do a private docent tour because the price (\$650) is too high. If the self-guided tour of Balenciaga in May is successful, we can try a similar tour of Picasso. However, the tickets for Picasso will be timed, which will make it difficult to coordinate a day and time.

If you have a change of address, please contact Janet Taber-Coppola at 415-885-4449 or janet@tabercoppola.com.