

RADCLIFFE CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO

JULY EVENTS 2015

Culinary Adventures: San Francisco: Wednesday, July 8 at 11:30 a.m. Re-scheduled: *Marla Bakery*, 3619 Balboa (36th/37th); their sign is discreet, but you'll see it next door to Hockey Heaven Bar & Grill. We've recently been to the outer Sunset, now to the outer Richmond where the rest of San Francisco lives and where the outer Richmond is, improbably enough, meeting the Mission with Marla following in the footsteps of Tartine – terrific breads and pastries that achieved cult status from their window on York Street and their coveted space at the Saturday Ferry Plaza Market, followed by a modest brick-and-mortar space (very light, very pretty) and very lovely, simple food. The menu changes everyday, always the fabled Bread Plate, a soup, a couple of salads and few just-so sandwiches. RSVP to Pat Bourne, 415-474-0212 or patriciabourne@post.harvard.edu. The 31 runs on Balboa as does the 18 (between 33rd and 45th); the 5 runs two blocks south, some 38 Geary buses terminate at 33rd and Balboa; the 1 terminates at 33rd and Geary.

Book Group: The book group will NOT meet in July. The next meeting of the book group will be at 3:00 pm, Sunday, August 9, 2015, at the home of Christie Coffin in Berkeley.

The book for August will be *WEST WITH THE WIND*, by Beryl Markham. "She and her father moved to Kenya when she was a girl, and she grew up with a zebra for a pet; horses for friends; baboons, lions, and gazelles for neighbors. She made money by scouting elephants from a tiny plane. And she would spend most of the rest of her life in East Africa as an adventurer, a racehorse trainer, and an aviatrix—she became the first person to fly nonstop from Europe to America, the first woman to fly solo east to west across the Atlantic. Hers was indisputably a life full of adventure and beauty."

Many of the attendees at the June meeting will not be here for the September meeting and did not want to impose a choice on those who will attend. Therefore the suggested book for September is *ORPHAN TRAIN* by Christina Baker Kline. ". . .an unforgettable story of friendship and second chances that highlights a little-known but historically significant movement in America's past. . . . Rich in detail and epic in scope, *Orphan Train* is a powerful novel of upheaval and resilience, of unexpected friendship, and of the secrets we carry that keep us from finding out who we are." (Note that there is another recent book titled *THE ORPHAN TRAIN* by a different author—we are suggesting Kline's book). See the August newsletter for additional information.

Film Group: Saturday, July 25 at 1 p.m., at the San Francisco Towers home of Sue Kimball, 1661 Pine Street # 837, San Francisco CA 94109. We will begin watching *THE WAY WE LIVE NOW*, a 2001 BBC mini series based on the 1870's novel by Anthony Trollope. In contrast to his novels based on the clergy or Victorian political life, this story focuses on on the brash new forces of business and finance, and the corruption and greed that lay just below the glittering surface of London life. Superb acting, gorgeous costumes, and multiple plot lines make this a great viewing experience. RSVP to Sue at 415-447-5470 or suekimball@comcast.net. Parking is available if Sue is notified ahead of time.

Museum Dates: Guests welcome! Please arrive 10 minutes early. Join us afterwards for coffee or lunch at the museum café. RSVP to Alison Boeckmann at alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu or 415-661-5849 (home), 415-317-2150 (cell). Send check (made out to Alison Boeckmann) to Alison Boeckmann, 1536 Willard Street, SF 94117. Museum events are joint with the Harvard Club of San Francisco.

Sunday, July 26, at 9:30 a.m. at the de Young Museum "J. M. W. Turner: Painting Set Free" Bringing together more than sixty oil paintings and watercolors from a host of international lenders, this is the first major exhibition devoted to Turner's achievements during his final period of productivity, when some of his most iconic works were created. Private docent tour. Cost: \$15 for members of the FAMSF and guests; \$30 for non-member adults; \$20 for non-member seniors.

Sunday, September 27, at 9:45 a.m. at the Asian Art Museum: "First Look: Collecting Contemporary Art" For the first time ever, the Asian is presenting a large-scale exhibition of contemporary highlights from the museum's collection, including painting, drawing, photography, baskets, ceramics and video. The exhibition features artists from Asia as well as from the United States. Details in August newsletter.

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