
RADCLIFFE CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO

NOVEMBER EVENTS 2016

Culinary Adventures: San Francisco: Wednesday, November 16, 12:30 p.m.. *Dum Indian Soul Food*, 3111 24th Street, between Folsom and Shotwell. A recent brick-and-mortar incarnation of their popular food truck. Best bet is 24th Street Muni Station or a Mission Street bus. Street parking not impossible. RSVP to Pat Bourne, 415-474-0212 or patriciabourne@post.harvard.edu. Note unusual time and day.

Book Group: Sunday, November 13, 3 p.m., at the home of Christie Coffin, 1622 Spruce Street, Berkeley. For directions and to RSVP contact Christie at 510-548-2146 or christieandsteve@yahoo.com. The book for November is *THE DEATH OF THE HEART* by Elizabeth Bowen. "Set in London in the 1930s, *The Death of the Heart* is Bowen's most perfectly made book.. As she deftly and delicately exposes the cruelty that lurks behind the polished surfaces of conventional society, Bowen reveals herself as a masterful novelist who combines a sense of humor with a devastating gift for divining human motivations." The novel is included in the Modern Library's list of the hundred best novels.

The book for December will be *WIDE SARGASSO SEA* by Jean Rhys. "Wide Sargasso Sea, a masterpiece of modern fiction, was Jean Rhys's return to the literary center stage. She had a startling early career and was known for her extraordinary prose and haunting women characters. With *Wide Sargasso Sea*, her last and best-selling novel, she ingeniously brings into light one of fiction's most fascinating characters: the madwoman in the attic from Charlotte Brontë's *Jane Eyre*. This mesmerizing work introduces us to Antoinette Cosway, a sensual and protected young woman who is sold into marriage to the prideful Mr. Rochester. Rhys portrays Cosway amidst a society so driven by hatred, so skewed in its sexual relations, that it can literally drive a woman out of her mind." (Amazon)

Film Group: Saturday, November 19 at 1 p.m., at the San Francisco Towers home of Ellie Zuckerman, 1661 Pine Street #511, San Francisco CA, 94109. We will watch a 1994 version of *LITTLE WOMEN*, based on the beloved novel by Louisa May Alcott. In this version, Susan Sarandon stars as Mrs. March, and Winona Ryder is Jo. Other roles are played by actors, relatively unknown at the time, who went on to become quite well known-- Clare Danes, Christian Bale, and Kirsten Dunst, who won awards for best supporting actress, as well as most promising actress. It will be fun to compare and contrast this version with the one we saw last month. RSVP to Ellie at 415-447-5695(home) or 925-876-8261(cell), or elz@post.harvard.edu. Parking can be arranged if Ellie 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, November 20 at 10:00 a.m., at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art. The SFMOMA Architecture Tour guides visitors through the Snøhetta-designed expansion— from inspiration to construction—and the challenges faced in designing what is now the largest museum dedicated to modern and contemporary art in the United States. Highlights of this tour include the living wall and the union between the existing Mario Botta-designed building and the Snøhetta expansion. Adults \$38, Seniors \$35, SFMOMA Members and guests \$14 Deadline is Nov 6 (This is the SFMOMA's policy)

Saturday (NOTE THE DAY!), January 7 at 10:00 a.m., at the Asian Art Museum "The Rama Epic: Hero, Heroine, Ally, Foe" One of the world's greatest works of literature, the Rama epic -the 2,500-year-old classic and its many versions - teems with excitement. The story of Prince Rama's quest to defeat a powerful demonic king, rescue his abducted wife and re-establish order in the world is also, for many, a sacred tradition. Spanning the ancient to the contemporary, this major international survey of 135 artworks captures the epic in a new light. Details in November newsletter.

Save the Date: New Year's Eve party on Sunday, December 31, 2016.

Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Annual Meeting, Saturday, April 29, 2017.

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