

RADCLIFFE CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO

DECEMBER EVENTS 2016

Special Evening: New Year's Eve Supper, Saturday, December 31 at 7 p.m. Alison Boeckmann, has again opened her home at 1536 Willard Street, San Francisco for this special gathering for our club's traditional Celebration of the New Year "Cambridge-Time"- with a champagne toast at 9 p.m.! Please let Alison know if you'd like to collaborate on food, wine and/or champagne. RSVP by Saturday, December 28 to Alison at 415-661-5849 or alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu.

Culinary Adventures: San Francisco: Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 11:30 a.m.: Jitlada Thai Cuisine, 1826 Buchanan St.(between Sutter and Bush), San Francisco, CA 94115-3211, Tel: (415) 292-9027. Jitlada Thai has been open since 2001. Chef Pai, who started learning to cook at age 6 from her Mother in her native Thailand, brings her experience and expertise to Jitlada Thai. She shops for all her own produce, meats, and fish to make sure its as fresh as can be and makes all her own sauces from scratch. Several RCSF members are fans of Jitlada Thai and wanted to share this restaurant with you. Parking is difficult in this Japantown location. However bus service is great. The 2 Sutter and 3 Jackson stop at the corner. The 38 Geary is a mere 3 blocks away, mostly level. (Remember the 38 Geary stops at Laguna and then not again until Fillmore.) The 1 California is also near-by-- 3 blocks away (on Sacramento out-bound) or four blocks (in-bound on Clay) but it is very uphill. Finally, there is the 22 Fillmore, 2 blocks west. Please RSVP to Mary Claugus (maryclaugus@att.net or 415-359-0644).

Book Group: Sunday, Sunday, December 11, at 3 p.m., at the home of Alison Boeckmann, 1536 Willard Street, San Francisco. RSVP to Alison at 415-661-5849 or alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu. . 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) The book for January will be JANE EYRE, by Charlotte Bronte. "Narrated in the unforgettable voice of its remarkable heroine, Jane Eyre is a timeless tale of heartbreak, mystery, and romance that shines a brilliant light into the dark corners of Victorian society". We are deliberately scheduling it after a modern author's "prequel". .

Film Group: The Film Group will not be meet in December. Our next meeting date is January 28, 2017 at 1 p.m. at Ellie's. The film will be GETT, an Israeli film about the difficulties of divorce for an Orthodox Jewish woman.

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.

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. Cost is \$10 for members of Asian and guests and under 18, \$35 for adults, \$30 for seniors. PLEASE RSVP well in advance so that we can get another docent if the group is large!

Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., at the Legion of Honor "Monet: The Early Years." The first major US exhibition devoted to the initial phase of Claude Monet's career. A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience Monet's mastery before Impressionism, and includes paintings that are profoundly daring and surprising. Details later.

Harvard / Radcliffe Events: Please join us on Thursday, December 8th at Zellerbach Hall in Berkeley for a joint event with Harvard Club of San Francisco. Berkeley Symphony plays the US premiere of James MacMillan's Symphony #4 and Shai Wosner is the soloist for Beethoven's 4th Piano Concerto. RCSF and Berkeley Symphony board members Tricia Swift and Kathy Henschel will host pre-performance refreshments from 7-8 p.m. There is an optional pre-concert talk at 7p.m. and the concert begins at 8p.m. See full details and directions, and purchase your own concert tickets at <http://www.berkeleysymphony.org/concerts/reverence-macmillan-beethoven/> Use Coupon Code RCSF50 at checkout to receive your exclusive 50% discount. Any questions – call Kathy at 415-713-9979, and Save the Dates of January 26th and May 4th for more Berkeley Symphony events

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