

**MAY EVENTS 2024**

**Annual Meeting of the Radcliffe Club of San Francisco, Saturday, May 11, at 3 p.m. via Zoom.** Our speaker will be Pallas Chou of the Class of 2023, a recipient of support from our Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Scholarship Fund. We will also **hear about the winner of our new Harvard Prize Book award**, elect officers, decide on club contributions, and hear updates on activities and projects. All RCSF members will receive the Zoom link and materials for the meeting by email before May 9th.

**Film Group: Saturday, May 4, at 1:30 p.m. on Zoom.** The film will be **The Light Between Oceans**, a 2016 film based on the novel by M. L. Stedman. The story involves a still traumatized World War I veteran who obtains a position as a lighthouse keeper in Western Australia. He meets and marries a local woman who joins him at the lighthouse. One day they rescue an infant who is floating in a small dinghy, accompanied by a dead man. They decide to raise the infant as their own, not realizing that the child has connections to a local family. What follows is an enthralling story about parenthood, family, and prejudice. If you are interested in joining us, please send an email to Lucille Poskanzer at [LBPoskanzer@icloud.com](mailto:LBPoskanzer@icloud.com) and she will send you the link.

**Book Group: Sunday, May 12, at 3 pm, via ZOOM.** Christie Coffin will send an email to the book group with instructions for joining the meeting. Others who would like to join, or have questions, can contact her at [christieandsteve@yahoo.com](mailto:christieandsteve@yahoo.com).

The book for May will be **Ishi in Two Worlds: A Biography of the Last Wild Indian in North America** by Theodora Kroeber. "With a generous appreciation of human complexity and an eye for the telling detail, Theodora Kroeber, a novice author, created a masterpiece ... [she] wrapped up Ishi's story in a humane, angry, lovely, bittersweet package ..." (James Clifford).

The book for June will be **The Secret Chord** by Geraldine Brooks. "... a thundering, gritty, emotionally devastating reconsideration of the story of King David" (Alana Newhouse, NYT). "... powerful storytelling, its landscape and time evoked in lyrical prose" (Merideth Jaffe, The Guardian).

**Culinary Adventures, Bay Area: (third) Wednesday, May 15, at 11:30 a.m.** Let's check out **Saluhall, 945 Market St., SF**, in the Ikea space. The new, sprawling Scandinavian-style food hall features three bars, five local independent food vendors, an in-house bakery restaurant, vegan burger bar and soft-serve station. For questions or to RSVP, contact Pat Bourne at 415-867-0410 or [patriciageraldbourne@gmail.com](mailto:patriciageraldbourne@gmail.com).

**Museum Tours: Saturday May 25, 11:00 a.m.** at the Asian Art Museum. "Phoenix Kingdoms: The Last Splendor of China's Bronze Age." Join the free guided tour, or visit the exhibit on your own. Meet for lunch at the museum cafe at 1:00 p.m. For more information, check with [AlisonBoeckmann@fastmail.fm](mailto:AlisonBoeckmann@fastmail.fm)

**Radcliffe College Alumnae Oral History Project:** Saturday, May 31, at 12:30 p.m. via Zoom, or 3:30 p.m. EDT in Cambridge in person. This year's Harvard Alumni Day in Cambridge will feature a five-year anniversary celebration of the Oral History Project. Project Director Alice Abarbanel and Assistant Project Director Suzy Underwood will recount some memorable moments from the interviews with alumnae from the classes of the 1940s to 1970s. To attend, either via Zoom or in person, RSVP to: **[Radcliffe Oral History Project Registration Link](#)**.

**Membership Renewal:** We recently sent an email inviting you to renew your membership, or join the club, through April 2025. Please renew or join! You can do so by visiting the club website, <https://www.radcliffeclubsf.org/membership-information.html>. The "For Members" section also contains the Membership Directory, Membership Update, and Treasurer's Report. Send changes to [kghenschel@gmail.com](mailto:kghenschel@gmail.com).

**Harvard Overseers election:** All alumnae and alumni can vote for the University's Overseers and Harvard Alumni Association Directors. The voting is open until May 14 and can be done either by email or by paper ballot. RCSF members are urged carefully to consider the candidates and to exercise their right to vote. For more information, see <https://elections.harvard.edu>.