SEPTEMBER EVENTS 2026

Culinary Adventures: Wednesday, September 9, at 11:30 a.m. at Bocanova, 1111 Broadway, Oakland. "A Pan-American grill and restaurant, where we honor the vibrant flavors of the New World. Here, we celebrate ingredients that have shaped the heart of global cuisines, many of which were born in the Americas but have become staples in kitchens from Italy to Asia." It has a nice lunch menu. Directions: take BART to the Oakland 12th Street station and look for the 11th street exit to the west side of Broadway. The restaurant will be right there if you come up from that exit. RSVP to Mary Henderson at mghender@pacbell.net or 510-390-1132.

Book Group: Sunday, September 13, at 3 p.m. on Zoom. Janet Hankin will email the link to regular participants. Others who would like to join can contact her at jghankin@ips.net

This month's book is ***Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-first Century*** **by Jessica Bruder.** "(A) 2017 nonfiction book…about the phenomenon of older Americans who, following the Great Recession from 2007 to 2009, adopted transient lifestyles traveling around the United States in search of seasonal work" (Wikipedia). "(S)tunning and beautifully written…brilliant and haunting book…." (Arlie Russell Hochschild, New York Times).

The selection for October is ***The Round House*** **by Louise Erdrich**. Published in 2012 and winner of the National Book Award, *The Round House* is a powerful novel about 13-year-old Joe Coutts. Set on a North Dakota reservation in 1988, the story follows Joe as he seeks justice after his mother suffers a brutal and traumatic assault.

Writers' Workshop for Fiction: Meets every two to three weeks on Saturdays at 3 p.m. Contact Gloria Wu at gwu2550@gmail.com for more information and the next date.

Museum Visits: Sunday, November 1, at 10 a.m., private guided tour of *Treasures of the Pharaohs* at the de Young Museum. This exhibit contains 130 artifacts and statues from 3,000 years of ancient Egyptian civilization. Up to 15 people can join this tour, which will cost $20 per person. You must also obtain a ticket for the 10 a.m. time slot at https://www.famsf.org/exhibitions/treasures-pharaohs in advance. Tickets are free for museum members, $40 for nonmembers and $37 for seniors. We will have a small number of free guest tickets; let us know if you need one. For the $20 tour cost, bring cash or a check made out to Alison Boeckmann to the event. Please RSVP to alisonboeckmann@fastmail.fm to reserve your place.

Online talks of interest at other organizations:

Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study: Wednesday September 16, at 9 a.m. PDT, "The Musical Vocation of Yoko Ono," talk by Radcliffe Institute Fellow Brigid Cohen**,** a historical musicologist. For more information and to register, go to https://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu/events-and-exhibitions.

Alumnae-i Network for Harvard Women: **Thursday, September 17, at 10:30 a.m. PDT,** "**Who Benefits Most from Working Time Reduction and a Four-Day Week: Men or Women?**" presentation by University of Cambridge Professor Brendan Burchell, who has studied tests of the benefits of a four-day week. See information and register at https://www.anhw.org/upcoming-events.