

**Radcliffe Club of San Francisco**  
**[www.radcliffeclubsf.org](http://www.radcliffeclubsf.org)**

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Dear Alumna,

We are writing to invite you to join, or renew your membership in, the Radcliffe Club of San Francisco. Our club is the first Radcliffe Club in the world, founded in 1898, and the last remaining stand-alone Radcliffe Club.

Although there is no longer a Radcliffe College, the Radcliffe Club of San Francisco continues as an active member club of the Harvard Alumni Association. Membership in the RCSF is open to any Northern California resident who attended Radcliffe College or has been connected with any department of Harvard University as a student, instructor, parent of a student, or surviving spouse of a member. We also have honorary members.

Our activities include:

**Museum events.** We organize private before-hours docent tours and self-guided tours of San Francisco museum exhibits approximately once a month. Members of the Harvard Club of San Francisco are invited to join these events and will find them listed at [www.harvardclubsf.org](http://www.harvardclubsf.org).

**Culinary Adventures.** This group meets once a month for lunch at restaurants that are new and unusual or in favorite parts of the city. If there is demand, we may expand to the East Bay.

**Film Group.** The Film Group meets monthly in San Francisco to watch films on DVD or streaming. The films are an eclectic mix ranging from a retrospective of Helen Mirren's early films to French New Wave to adaptations of classic novels.

**Book Group.** The Book Group meets in members' homes in San Francisco, Berkeley and Marin County. The Book Group Reading Lists page on the club website shows the books read to date.

**Special events.** These include the Annual Meeting, our traditional New Year's Eve party on Cambridge time and programs that we schedule on the basis of member interest.

**Support for women at Harvard.** We have a long tradition of support for women at Harvard University. The Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Scholarship Fund has been aiding students from the Bay Area since 1959. Our club was the co-leader of the national drive by Radcliffe alumnae from 2000 to 2003 to advocate the creation of and raise funds for the Radcliffe Alumnae Professorship at Harvard. We also raised funds for Alumnae Fellows at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study. Currently, our fundraising is focused on the Schlesinger Library, the Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Scholarship Fund and the Harvard College Women's Center.

Our club events are listed in a monthly newsletter, which is sent by email, or by postal mail upon request. The club's website [www.radcliffeclubsf.org](http://www.radcliffeclubsf.org) contains the current and previous

newsletters, current activities and other information. All members are welcome to participate in all activities, whether on a regular or occasional basis.

This year, our Annual Meeting will take place on Saturday, April 4, in San Francisco. We will have a potluck lunch followed by club updates, election of officers and a vote on annual gifts. We'll also have a discussion of the Oral History Project that Alice Abarbanel has initiated. Our March newsletter will have more information on both of these events.

We hope you will join us. The membership and dues form for joining or renewing membership through April 2021 is attached. You can print and send with check to the Treasurer, as described in the form.

New for 2020, you may fill out the documents online and pay using a credit card. See [www.radcliffeclubsf.org/membership](http://www.radcliffeclubsf.org/membership)  
[www.radcliffeclubsf.org/dues\\_and\\_contributions](http://www.radcliffeclubsf.org/dues_and_contributions)

If you have any problems with the online membership documents or payment, please contact club Co-President Alison Boeckmann at the email below.

If you have other questions, please contact club Co-President Patricia Bourne at the email below.

Sincerely,

Co-Presidents



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Attachment: Membership form