



MAX SF NEWSLETTER

February 2022

Dear MAX Members and Friends,

First Friday

Come socialize with friends, old and new, at First Friday on **February 4th** at Beaux Bar, 2344 Market Street. The fun goes from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. There is no entry or cover charge for this event. Happy hour prices apply as mixed drinks are buy one, get one free until 7pm. Proof of COVID vaccination is required to enter any indoor bar space in SF, so please be prepared to show the bar your Proof of Vaccination. We look forward to seeing your smiling faces there!

Third Thursday

Third Thursday also will be back at Beaux on **February 17th** from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Like the First Friday event, there is no entry fee, and the same half price drink specials and vaccination restrictions apply. Look forward to seeing all of you!

Gourmet Chocolate and Wine Pairing

Sunday, February 27th at 4pm. Join professional chocolatier Basel at his Chocolate Wine Bar Café, The Velvet Raven, for extra special pairings of his handcrafted dark chocolates with exquisite French wines. Chocolates feature 85% cacao, truffles and designs as “beautiful as jewelry”. Each pairing will include a personal description of the chocolate and wine by the designer/owner, Basel. Your admission will include 5 chocolate and wine pairings. All attendees will be available to purchase any addition chocolate and wine with a 10% discount. Space is limited to 20 people, but a wait list will be available. Cost is \$35 per person, **non-refundable**. Please be fully vaccinated and have proof of vaccination available for entry.



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The Velvet Raven is located at 155A South Park Street, San Francisco (SOMA). Street parking is around the park. The event will start promptly at 4pm and should conclude by 6pm. Please be on time, so you don't miss any of the pairings!

Register at: <https://maxsf.org/event-4668576> Deadline is February 21. For more information, contact Jason Feinberg jason.feinberg@maxsf.org.

Urban Walk – Mission Bay / Waterfront

Sunday, March 6, at 10:30 AM. Hike leader, Jim Tom, will lead MAX on an approximate 4.5-mile urban walk around Mission Bay and the eastern waterfront. The walk will commence at Chase Center, home to the Warriors, and generally will travel on the San Francisco Bay Trail along the waterfront to McCovey Cove and Oracle Park, home of the Giants. We then will navigate toward the Mission Creek Channel and the houseboats before ending at Spark Social SF where we will have an optional lunch.

Spark Social SF is an outdoor food truck park, beer & sangria garden, and event space. The numerous food trucks and food/drink buildings offer a wide variety of different cuisines that is sure to satisfy everyone's palette! Spark Social is approximately 3 blocks from the start point for the walk.

The walk is rated as "Easy" given the level terrain. Estimated walk time is roughly 1.5+ hours. There is no charge for this event, but group size is limited to 20. To reserve a spot for this hike and for more information, click on the following link: <https://maxsf.org/event-4668557>. Please be fully vaccinated and have proof of vaccination available. Rain cancels event.



Meet in front of 1655 Third Street (corner of 3rd St and Warriors Way). Street parking generally should be available on Sundays but allow ample time as parking could be 1-3 blocks away. Be mindful of the parking signs and instructions, particularly near the Chase Center. Parking restrictions apply on "Event Days", but no Event is scheduled for Chase

Center during our walk as of the time of this writing.



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For additional information, contact Jim Tom at: jim.tom@maxsf.org

Looking for Board Members

Are you an organizer or someone who likes to get involved making things happen? MAX needs active Board Members who are willing to roll up their sleeves and take responsibility for an area, whether it be creating or championing events, or helping with MAX administration and outreach. The annual election for MAX board members will occur in April 2022. If MAX members are interested in joining the board, email Jim Tom at jim.tom@maxsf.org or contact any current MAX board member. Nominations will close in March.

Volunteer Day

MAX is planning an event referred to as “Volunteer Day” that will allow members the opportunity to plan and help champion events they like to see happen. Although ideas are wonderful, we specifically are looking for volunteers who actually will help organize and implement their ideas. Or help with other events and IT-Admin matters. Being involved in the organization provides members a much greater opportunity to connect with each other and expand their social network. This event is tentatively scheduled for early March, but more details will be in the next newsletter.

We also welcome members willing to provide host sites for MAX events, preferably larger sized ones. Hosts can choose to be or not to be actively involved in organizing the event, as MAX can handle the necessary logistics as needed.

For more information, contact Jim Tom at jim.tom@maxsf.org or contact any current MAX board member.

Event Recap

February 4 – First Friday

February 17 – Third Thursday

February 27 – Chocolate and Wine Pairing

March 4 – First Friday



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March 6 – Urban Walk – Mission Bay

March 17 – Third Thursday

Other Upcoming Events

We are excited to have a number of tentative and fun events in the planning stages. These upcoming events will welcome the Spring and a hopeful return to greater socialization. Upcoming newsletters will provide more details.

March – Bars of Interest – Last Rites

April – Guided Tour of Chinatown

April-May – Filoli

Spring - The Unique Wine Tasting Event

Spring – Tequila tasting

Spring/Summer – Miniature Golf