

outword

Daniel Craig
Stars in "Queer"
page 11



This Year's Festive
Holiday Destination
page 4

The Gift of Exceptional
California Wine
page 13

Shop Local Museums
page 7

Give the gift of Keith
Haring's whimsical Art
page 16

Holiday
Shopping



Out and About with
Matthew Burlingame
page 17

free



LO

AN

CO

NS

NEW YEAR

Party

FACES

31
DECEMBER

TUESDAY

FULL BUFFET 7PM-9PM

MIDNIGHT CASH & PRIZE BALLOON DROP

DOORS @ 7PM



2000 K ST. SACRAMENTO

www.FACES.net

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TEAM

City of
SACRAMENTO

OUR MAIN GOAL

To create a platform that educates, engages and empowers people, businesses and places, especially areas and residents that have been disproportionately underserved.

HOW WE MEET OUR GOAL

- Eliminate communication barriers, including values, culture and/or language
- Creating social events and programming that can be catered to specific communities, neighborhoods and/or language groups
- Develop and foster an environment of trust and confidence between community, stakeholders and City Council.

MEET THE CE TEAM



Lynette Hall
Community Engagement Manager
lhall@cityofsacramento.org



Greg Garcia
Community Engagement Analyst
ggarcia1@cityofsacramento.org



Amy Williamson
Financial Empowerment Manager
awilliamson@cityofsacramento.org



Ari Green
Community Engagement Analyst
mgreen@cityofsacramento.org



Randy Singh
Volunteer Engagement Specialist
rsingh@cityofsacramento.org



Danielle Susa
Community Engagement Analyst
dsusa@cityofsacramento.org



Jessica Davalos-Prieto
Community Engagement Analyst
jdavalosprieto@cityofsacramento.org



Ember de Boer
Arts Program Assistant
amichaelson@cityofsacramento.org

STAY CONNECTED

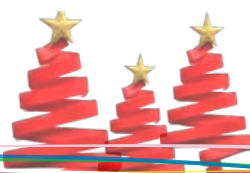
Visit linktr.ee/ceteamsac to stay up to date on City programs, resources & opportunities.

Follow us on Social Media

  @ceteamsac

cityofsacramento.org/ce
ce@cityofsacramento.org





Outword Staff

PUBLISHER
Fred Palmer

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE PUBLISHER
Julie Ebe

ART DIRECTOR/PRODUCTION
Ron Tackitt

GRAPHIC DESIGN
Julie Ebe
Ron Tackitt

EDITOR
editor@outwordmagazine.com

ARTS EDITOR
Chris Narloch

SALES
Fred Palmer

CONTRIBUTING WRITERS
Chris Allan
Matthew Burlingame
Diana Kienle
Chris Narloch
Judy Saint
Ron Tackitt

PHOTOGRAPHY
Chris Allan
Ron Tackitt

ON THE COVER
Daniel Craig stars in "Queer."
In theaters now

ADVERTISING SALES

Sacramento and Northern California
(916) 329-9280

Fred Palmer

Nat. Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce
Nat. Gay & Lesbian Journalist Association
Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce
California News Publishers Association

ISSN # 1084-7618 United States Library of Congress

Outword Magazine Inc.

Mailing Address
1026 Florin Road, #344
Sacramento, CA 95831

PHONE: (916) 329-9280

www.outwordmagazine.com
sales@outwordmagazine.com

My, What Long Links You Have!

introduction by Ron Tackitt

Welcome to our Annual Holiday Shopping guide number two. Yes, each year we do two special issues that highlight some fun things we think you might like gifting to others, or just plain buying for yourself. (Nothing wrong with that, wink, wink). We are very happy with the way this particular issue has come together because it showcases some great items that we have personally picked to help give you great ideas. "We" would be Julie, George and me.

As you peruse this issue you might notice, in the paper version, that there are very long web links at the end of each paragraph. This is because some of these items are not easy to locate with just a simple search, and we specifically wanted to not point you to Amazon. All of us here at Outword have always asked that you support your community, as much as possible. However, we know that retail is not what it used to be, so most of our picks are likely not available in a local retail shop. Also, we would like to know that the companies that worked hard to bring



you fun things, get just a bit more recognition than if Amazon took their cut. (If you want to know more about how Amazon works the marketplace, check out "Buy Now" on Netflix. It is very thought provoking.)

All that aside, we hope you enjoy looking through this holiday gift idea guide and maybe see something that is "just right!" Have a safe and joy-filled holiday season. See you again, with our last issue of 2024, that hits the stands just before Christmas day. We look forward to next year, which will be our 30th year in business. Yay us!

Old Sacramento Waterfront Is This Year's Festive Holiday Destination

The Old Sacramento Waterfront has transformed into a festive holiday destination for the winter, offering vibrant decorations, unique shopping, and family-friendly entertainment. This historic district, located near the Golden 1 Center and Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink, features a 60-foot holiday tree, dazzling light shows, and pedestrian-only streets during peak times.

A key highlight is the 16th annual Theatre of Lights, a free, immersive light show presented on the balconies of Old Sacramento. Created by Stage Nine Exhibitions and voiced by Disney's Bill Farmer, it blends a retelling of The Night Before Christmas with stories of Sacramento's 1850s pioneers. Performances run on Fridays and Saturdays from Thanksgiving Eve through December 24, with ASL interpretation available on Saturdays.

Festivities began with the Holiday Tree Lighting that featured performances by local groups, including the Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus, and an appearance by the A's mascot, Stomper. The tree's nearly 24,000 lights shine nightly, including special purple lights for Kings' game nights.

The district encourages visitors to "skip the ship" and shop locally at over 125 small businesses, including more than 50 retail stores. Gift guides will be available to simplify shopping.

Holidays on K features live music, family-friendly activities, and a Letters to Santa station on Saturdays. Visitors can enjoy photo booths supporting Theatre of Lights and explore cozy seating areas.

Every building and street pole in the district is festively adorned with garlands, LED lights, and bows, creating a truly magical atmosphere. The pedestrian-friendly streets run through December 24, ensuring a festive experience.

For more information, visit: oldsacramento.com.



Photo courtesy of Downtown Sac by Julian Martinez

The List



Liquor Therapy Toy Drive

Jingle Bell Pup Crawl (yes, pup, not pub)

AcademySTAY

Wicked

Americana Vintage Market

Jessica Wimbley

Fab 40s Christmas Lights

Nutcracker Sacramento Ballet

Sac State Stadium

Archival Gallery

Downtown Skating Rink

Symphony d'Oro Free Concert

Her Elevated

Hanami Line



Two Groundbreaking Studies Highlighting Critical Health Challenges

The California HIV/AIDS Policy Research Centers (CHPRC) recently released two groundbreaking studies highlighting critical health and safety challenges facing LGBTQ+ communities. Conducted by the California Center for HIV Syndemic Policy Research, these studies address fatal violence against Black transgender women and the impact of anti-LGBTQ+ legislation on HIV prevention among sexual and gender minoritized (SGM) youth. The findings stress the urgent need for protective legislation and inclusive public health initiatives to safeguard marginalized communities.

Study 1: Fatal Violence Against Black Transgender Women

The first study, led by Pamuela Halliwell, MA, LMFT, and Dr. Laramie Smith, focuses on the alarming rates of fatal violence disproportionately affecting Black transgender women in the United States. The study documents 229 acts of fatal violence against transgender women between 2013 and 2021, with Black transgender women accounting for a staggering 78% of these cases. Gun violence was the leading cause of death, particularly in Southern and Midwestern regions, where structural racism and anti-transgender policies are prevalent.

Key findings include:

Demographics and Causes: Black transgender women had an average age of death at 28, five years younger than their non-Black counterparts. Gun violence was the cause in 76.4% of cases involving Black transgender women, compared to 37.9% for non-Black transgender women.

Policy Influence: Higher rates of violence were observed in areas with anti-transgender legislation, fewer gun control laws, and entrenched structural racism.

Perpetrator Analysis: In 58% of cases, the perpetrator was identified, with most being known to the victim. A significant 61% were sexual or romantic partners, while 32% were acquaintances or family members. This reflects broader systemic challenges, including economic inequities and societal pressures that perpetuate fatal violence.

Halliwell emphasized that these findings highlight the deadly impacts of systemic inequities and the pressing need for equitable protections for transgender women of color.

Study 2: LGBTQ+ Policies and HIV Prevention

The second study, led by Dr. Nicole Kelly and colleagues, explores the relationship between state and local LGBTQ+ policies and HIV prevention outcomes among SGM youth, especially Black youth. The research underscores how protective legislation boosts access to pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), a vital HIV prevention tool, while discriminatory policies hinder progress.

Derek Tran Wins Race for Congressional District 45

Derek Tran, an Army veteran and attorney, won the race for California's Congressional District 45, defeating far-right incumbent Michelle Steel and flipping the seat. Equality California celebrated the victory, highlighting Tran's commitment to LGBTQ+ rights and social justice, as well as his strong leadership and integrity. Tran's win is especially significant given Steel's opposition to the Equality Act and sponsorship of an anti-reproductive freedom bill in 2023. Equality California expressed confidence in Tran's ability to combat intolerance and advocate for a more inclusive future for all Californians.

VOTE WITH YOUR WALLET

Support the businesses that support our community. Spend your money with the advertisers here in Outword.

media • marketing • consulting

Dedicated to Your Financial Success

Al Roche
Financial Advisor

(916) 447-9220
CA Insurance License #0C47036

- Financial Planning*
- Investments*
- Employee Benefits
- Insurance (Life, Health, Disability & Long Term Care)

1750 Creekside Oaks Dr. Ste. 215, Sacramento, CA 95833
www.midtownfinancial.net

*Securities offered through Kestra Investment Services, LLC (Kestra IS), member FINRA/SIPC. Investment advisory services offered through Kestra Advisory Services, LLC (Kestra AS), an affiliate of Kestra IS. Midtown Financial is not affiliated with Kestra IS or Kestra AS. Investor Disclosures: <https://bit.ly/KF-Disclosures>



Make Sure You Have
the *Perfect* Holiday Home

Perfection
• Home Systems, Inc. •

Take advantage of the mild weather and replace your HVAC system with helpful Federal, State and Utility incentives.



916-481-0658
www.HotCold.com
C-20 CA Lic# 464658



Grow your local giving!

This Farm-to-Fork Month, open a charitable fund.

GET STARTED AT SACREGCF.ORG



See Our Living LGBTQ+ Timeline on ISSUU
[click here.it's free](#)

Pucci's PHARMACY

• SACRAMENTO'S PRESCRIPTION CENTER SINCE 1930 •



Our pharmacists are trained to understand the unique healthcare aspects of the LGBTQ+ community by providing a judgement-free environment for patients to be transparent about their needs. Committed and trustworthy for over 94 years in Sacramento.

- Immunizations & Travel Medicine
- HIV & STI Testing – PrEP/PEP Prescribing – Flu & Strep Testing
- Smoking Cessation & Hormonal Contraception Prescribing
- Pet Medications

3257 Folsom Blvd Sacramento, CA 95816 (916) 442-5891 text (916) 796-4514 M-F 9 - 6, Sat.9 - 1 Delivery Services Available with Curbside Pickup & Delivery

www.PucciRX.com

Committed to Ensuring a Healthy Community!

Senator Wiener's Statement on World AIDS Day 2024

“On World AIDS Day, we remember those we’ve lost, double down on our support for those living with the virus or at risk for it, and strengthen our resolve to end new HIV infections once and for all, here and around the world.”

“We know how to get this done: Broad access to HIV testing and treatment and broad access to PrEP. When people know they have HIV and take the effective medications that exist, they can lead healthy lives and are all but non-infectious. When people take PrEP each day, as I do, their risk of contracting HIV is essentially zero. These strategies combined, if implemented broadly, will mean the end of HIV infections.

“With an incoming President and Congress determined to decimate health care access, these goals will become significantly harder. This extremist government – which aligns itself with people who aggressively demonize and dehumanize our community – will seek to destroy the Affordable Care Act, scale back Medicaid and other health programs, and eliminate proven public health strategies that reduce HIV infections. This government’s actions, if successful, will mean more HIV infections, more people contracting full-blown AIDS, and more people dying.

“It doesn’t have to be this way, and to these extremists I have something to say: We’re not going back. Not now. Not ever.

“We’ve been down this path before: In the 1980s, when a different GOP President

looked the other way as so many contracted the virus, got sick, and died. Why did that happen? Because a broad swath of society viewed those contracting HIV – gay men, trans people, Black people, drug addicts, low income women, and others – as throwaway people undeserving of support or compassion. I remember those days, as a young gay man volunteering on an AIDS crisis hotline in Durham North Carolina in 1990. It was terrifying.

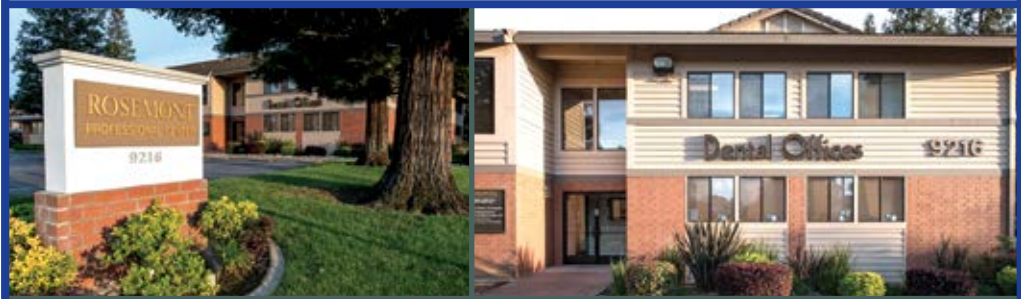
“But we didn’t let fear and hate stop us. Instead, we stood up for our community – with every conceivable innovative strategy to keep people healthy and help those at the end die with the dignity & peace they deserved.

“I’m proud to be a San Franciscan. I’m proud to be a Californian. I’m proud to be a gay man. This is always the case, but particularly so during difficult times like what we now face. We will once again step up as a State and as a City to support our community in the face of a hostile federal Administration. We will do whatever it takes to ensure we don’t go back to the dark days of government abandonment.”

Eric Grove, DDS
Kendall Homer, DMD Inc.

Find Your Dental Home

We strive to build lasting relationships with our patients and deliver optimal dental care in a caring and empathetic environment.



We have been in practice at the same location since 1961.

Our Services Include:

- General Dentistry
- Cosmetic Dentistry
- Implant Restoration
- Youth Dentistry
- Emergency Care

Give Us a Call Today or Visit Our Website for More Information

9216 Kiefer Blvd. Ste. 5 • Sacramento, CA 95826
 916-363-9171 • www.GroveHomerDentists.com

916.600.2039
mark.peters@cbnorcal.com
www.markpeters.biz

uniting
Hearts & Homes

"Barb and Steve were dream clients. Their new home is a perfect fit for their lifestyle."

"Our heart is in a beautiful colonial with the most incredible sunporch we've ever seen!"

OUTSTANDING LIFE MEMBER
 brie #01424396

Dr. Cameron T. Yee

Optometrist

Eye Examinations

Glasses

Contact Lenses

916-395-0673
www.dr cameronyee.com

6407 Riverside Boulevard
 Sacramento, CA 95831



See Our Living LGBTQ+ Timeline on ISSUU
click here.it's free

New Funding Enables Homeless Shelters to Welcome People AND Their Pets

RedRover, a nonprofit organization, has secured \$300,000 from an anonymous donor to extend its Safe Housing Homeless Shelter Pilot Program, offering critical support to homeless shelters in creating pet-friendly environments.

Announced during National Homeless Awareness Month, this initiative recognizes the deep bond between people experiencing homelessness and their pets, providing grants of up to \$60,000 to shelters across the U.S. These funds can be used for building renovations, pet care supplies, and limited veterinary care and transportation costs. The program aims to ensure no one has to choose between having shelter and keeping their beloved pet.

RedRover President and CEO Katie Campbell emphasized the importance of keeping families, including their pets, together, citing the emotional support and unconditional love pets provide. The Safe Housing program addresses the significant barriers non-pet-friendly shelters create for unhoused individuals, particularly the estimated 25% of the 3.5 million people experiencing homelessness annually who have pets. For these individuals, leaving their pets behind is often not an option,

preventing them from accessing shelter and critical support services.

To further assist shelters, RedRover partners with Greater Good Charities on the Don't Forget The Pets (DFTP) training program. This initiative helps organizations overcome challenges in implementing pet-friendly housing through a comprehensive website, coaching, and a step-by-step planning process. While initially focused on domestic violence shelters and animal welfare organizations, the program has expanded to include homeless shelter staff and advocates, who make up 10% of the 2024 participants.

Safe Housing grant deadlines for shelters to apply are March 1, June 1, and September 1, 2024. The continued expansion of pet-friendly homeless shelters underlines RedRover's mission to support both humans and their animal companions, ensuring safety, dignity, and love for all. More information is available at RedRover.org/SafeHousing.

These Local Museums Encourage You to Shop with a Purpose



Aerospace Museum of California
Enjoy 25% off all merchandise, including STEM kits, toys, and models, with all proceeds supporting the museum's mission. Open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

California Automobile Museum
Find gifts for car enthusiasts, including memberships - that make great stocking stuffers.

California Museum
Check out a curated selection of gifts for all ages. Museum memberships are also available to purchase as a present. Current members can continue saving with 20% off select merchandise to December 15. Open from noon to 5 p.m.

California State Railroad Museum
The store features train-related gifts, including books and exclusive dinnerware. Be sure to check out the "California Poppy" and "Prairie Mountain Wildflowers" dinnerware.

Crocker Art Museum
Shoppers can explore art-inspired gifts, local crafts, and exhibition-related books. On Museum Store Sunday, there is a 10% discount for all visitors, with an additional 10% for members, plus a free gift with purchase (while supplies last).

Sacramento Children's Museum
The store offers plush toys and holiday merchandise, along with additional discounts for members. Open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sacramento History Museum
Find a variety of unique gifts, including Victorian-inspired jewelry and books on local history. Shop items related to the "America's Monsters, Superheroes and Villains" exhibition. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Museum Store Sunday offers an opportunity to shop while supporting local cultural institutions, with unique gifts for everyone on your list. For more details, visit museumstoresunday.org or follow Sacramento museums on social media.

LEAVE A LEGACY

Minimal Environmental Impact
Green Burial
1/3 the cost of
Conventional Burial
160-acre Nature Preserve
for Walkers, Runners,
& Habitat Enthusiasts
Pet Interment in our
Rainbow Bridge Garden



Call to schedule your tour today!
833.667.4266

**MORGAN OAKS
ETERNAL PRESERVE**
421 Fleming Road, Lincoln, CA 95648
Hello@MorganOaksGreenBurial.com
www.MorganOaksGreenBurial.com

Tour Morgan Oaks
and receive your complimentary
bottle of Rancho Roble wine*!

*Bottle presented once tour is complete.

Sacramento
Rainbow Chamber of Commerce
Proud member of the Sacramento
Rainbow Chamber of Commerce!
COA 667



Let's collaborate for your financial future.

SFP

STEELE
FINANCIAL
PARTNERS

Judy Steele, Financial Advisor
CA Insurance License #0A24401

916.846.7733 | judy@steelefinancial.org
www.steelefp.com

Securities and Advisory services offered through LPL Financial, a registered investment advisor, Member FINRA/SIPC



River Bend
Medical
Associates, Inc.

- 2 Convenient Locations
- Evening Appointments Available
- Open Saturdays
- PEP and PREP
- We are proud to be Telehealth Providers

GREENHAVEN

7248 SOUTH LAND PARK DR. #205
SACRAMENTO, CA 95831
APPOINTMENTS: 916-392-4000

WEST SACRAMENTO

2101 STONE BLVD., SUITE 190
WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691
APPOINTMENTS: 916-371-4939

Please Follow Us on Facebook: @RiverBendMed and
Check Out Our Website: www.rbmafamdoc.com

The Sacramento Rainbow Chamber's Monthly
Networking Mixer



Free for members
\$10 for non-members

Appetizers & Wine provided

January 21, 2025

6:00 - 7:30 PM

1210 G Street, Sacramento 95814



Proud Chamber
Member of 22
Years!

THE HEALING TOUCH CHIROPRACTIC

Come Check out our new location!

“Low-Hanging Fruit: Sparkling Whines, Champagne Problems, and Pressing Issues from My Gay Agenda” by Randy Rainbow

reviewed by Terri Schlichenmeyer

Whine, whine, whine. You got something to say, say it. Got an opinion? The world is waiting. It doesn't do any good to mutter, sputter or whine when something's bothering you. As in the new book, “Low-Hanging Fruit” by Randy Rainbow, take it to the complaint department.

Randy Rainbow has a lot to say, and he's not afraid to say it. For starters, he's “resigning from trying to fix you, effective immediately.” Any boneheaded thing you want to do now, whatever. Nothing is his responsibility anymore. He has other issues to worry about.

“The truth is,” he says, “I have a lot of complaints about a lot of things.” There are right ways of doing things, he says, and there are wrong ways and we just all really need to know the difference – especially if you're a “Karen.” Now, he's compassionate, if you were born with that name, but not too much.

“I'm a flamboyant homosexual who's lived my entire life with the name Randy Rainbow, so you'll get little sympathy from me in this department.”

Other than that, you may wonder what Rainbow's (ahem) “position” is: he's actually thinking about running for President as a member of “a Rainbow coalition...” He doesn't have much experience but, he says, if there's one thing we've learned in the past few years, that doesn't matter at all.

He stands on a green platform, but he can't ban fluorocarbons because, you know, the hair thing and all.

Rainbow misses his twenties, old-school dating sites, hooking up., and his former attention span. He waxes nostalgic about the places he's lived, including an apartment overlooking a “fruit market.” He wonders why teenagers are suddenly “successful lifestyle gurus.” He hates when “stars begin losing their luster” and he wishes again for actors like Hayworth and Garbo.

But, he says, “Diva-complaints aside... I really do thank God for all the opportunities I'm given.”

So the Elephant in the Room right now might be one you'll (never?) vote for, but you know that author Randy Rainbow will reliably skewer that political animal online, hilariously. The fun-poking continues in the most deliciously snarky way in “Low-Hanging Fruit.”

And yet, that's not the only subject Rainbow tackles. Readers who love catching his posts and videos are treated here to a random string of observations, opinions, and rants-not-rants, with the signature sassy style they've come to expect. What you'll read can be spit-out-your-wine funny sometimes, and other times it touches a nerve with nods toward culture, new and old, that'll make you nod with recognition. Nothing in Rainbow's path goes without sharp-edged comment, which is exactly what you want from his books. Unexpectedly, this one also includes a soft word or two and a few slight confessions that are gentle and that might even make you say, “Awwwwwww.”

If you're ready for something snide and cynical that'll make you laugh, something that you'll want to read aloud to a companion, “Low-Hanging Fruit” is what you need. Look for this book now and you'll have no complaints.

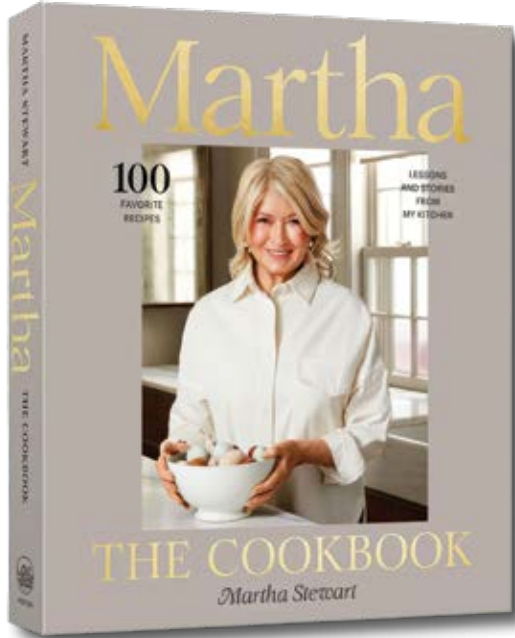




Holiday Shopping Gift Guide

If you know the person you are buying a holiday gift for likes to cook, it's pretty easy and relatively inexpensive to buy a recent cookbook, and lately there are three new ones that are very interesting.

by Ron Tackitt



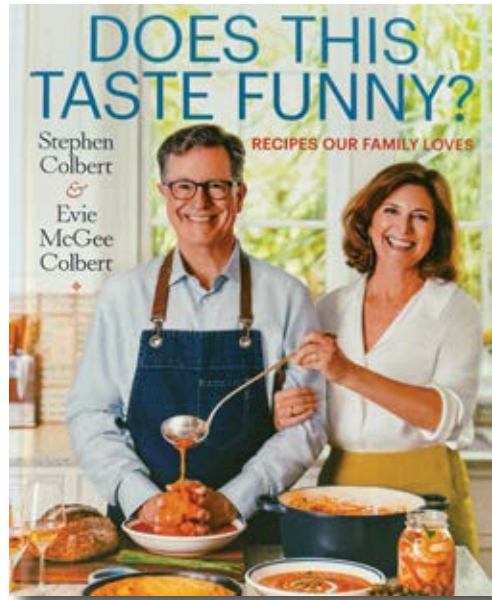
The Cookbook

The first would be from the godmother of cookbooks, the one and only Martha Stewart. "The Cookbook" commemorates her 100th book that she has produced. It looks beautiful and elegant and it is filled with her favorite recipes and some helpful tips. Just what you expect from the domestic goddess. Available now. Hardcover \$40.



Does This Taste Funny?

The second cookbook is from the husband and wife duo, Steven Corbett and Evie McGee Colbert and it's called "Does This Taste Funny?" Beyond having a very clever name, it is filled with fun anecdotes, wonderful photography and some surprisingly serious recipes. I'm looking forward to giving some of them a try. Hardcover \$32.00.



Plats du Jour

The third book, "Plats du Jour," is from the owners of the girl and the fig restaurant in Sonoma. This is a large cookbook with lots of recipes that they actually use in the restaurant, and is laid out with foods categorized by season. The photography is stunning, not just the food and drink, but also some gorgeous shots of Sonoma and the surrounding area. This is a true coffee table book for that foodie in your life! Hardcover \$48.00.



WE'VE MOVED!

OPENING
SEPTEMBER 24TH

ONLY 5 MINUTES
FROM OUR PREVIOUS
LOCATION!

DR TYLER DR DARRICK DR DAVE

THE HEALING TOUCH CHIROPRACTIC
1210 G STREET, SACRAMENTO CA 95814
(916) 447-3344
CHIROPRACTIC • AUTO INJURY CARE
DECOMPRESSION THERAPY
WWW.FIXMYBACK.COM

McMartin REALTY

Brian McMartin
Broker-Owner, REALTOR®
BRE#00997069

Wishing you a very merry home for the holidays!

Residential • Commercial • Investment Properties
916.402.4160
Brian@BrianMcMartin.com
McMartinRealty.com



SIZE REALLY DOES MATTER

Mention
this ad
and get
50%
OFF
our current
rates for
a full
page ad!

outWord

media • marketing • events

For more information contact us at 916-329-9280
or fred@outwordmagazine.com



Daniel Craig Stars in “Queer” Plus, Two New Animated Films

by Chris Narloch

Every Christmas season, I allow myself to watch one cheesy holiday rom com, but this year I doubled up and saw a pair of new Netflix titles that were too ridiculous to resist: “The Merry Gentlemen” and “Hot Frosty.”

You can file those two hunky holiday hits under guilty pleasures. Here are four films in theaters that don’t require you to do penance after watching them.



Moana 2

Moana 2

I am at least 50 years older than the target audience for this animated follow-up to the huge hit from 2016, but I still enjoyed the gorgeous animation and the fierce female at the center of the sequel.

The same talent is on board for “Moana 2” (minus Lin-Manuel Miranda), but the story and the songs are not quite as strong this time.

There are also too many cutesy, Disneyfied animals on screen for my taste, but the kiddos won’t care, so who am I to complain? “Moana 2” is currently in wide theatrical release.



Flow

Flow

This fantastic (and fantastical) animated feature follows a black shorthair cat that finds refuge on a boat populated by various species, who must learn to get along and work together after an apocalyptic flood.

“Flow” creates its own incredible world, and that world is a stunningly beautiful one. A silent environmental fable and a fascinating journey, this film is the finest animated movie of 2024, which was a very strong year for animation.



Queer

Queer

Daniel Craig gives a fearless, award-worthy performance in his latest film, which is indeed very, very queer (in every sense of the word). Craig gives an emotionally and physically naked performance as an alcoholic expatriate living in Mexico City who is desperately in love (or lust?) with a very beautiful – and much younger – man.

Genuinely erotic love scenes and a wild, nude drug trip in the jungle are just some of the pleasures to be found in this sexy, stunning slice of cinema. The film starts out slow but gets stronger and weirder and sadder as it goes. “Queer” won’t be for everyone, but I admire the way all involved with the movie swing for the fences.



The Return

The Return

Ralph Fiennes and Juliette Binoche, the dynamic duo from 1996’s “The English Patient,” team up again for this reworking of “The Odyssey.” Fiennes is Odysseus, who endeavors to set things right after he returns to Ithaca from the Trojan War and finds that his wife, Penelope (Binoche), is a prisoner in her own home.

The two lead performances in “The Return” are terrific, especially Fiennes’ battered hero. Like Glenn Close, Fiennes has never won an Oscar, which seems unbelievable. The actor is having a great 2024, however, and I think he deserves recognition for his work in “Conclave” or this film.

Note: “The Return,” “Flow,” and “Queer” were all still playing at Sacramento’s Tower Theatre as we went to press.



THE FUGAZI PRESENTS

DEAR SAN FRANCISCO

FROM THE 7 FINGERs

"HIGHEST RATING."
- SF Chronicle

"A THRILL RIDE."
- Mercury News

"BEST NIGHT OUT!"
- SF Magazine

"WOW!"
- KCBS



Home for the HOLIDAYS!



A FESTIVE TWIST NOW THRU DEC. 29!

+ TWO SPECIAL SHOWS NEW YEAR'S EVE

ClubFugaziSF.com | 415-273-0600

Check us out on social media! @ClubFugaziSF



CLUB FUGAZI | 678 Green Street | San Francisco

"Come To Your Senses" This Holiday Season

If you need to de-stress this holiday season, or you want to do something artsy, a new sensory installation might be just what the doctor ordered.

The interactive exhibit, on O Street in downtown Sacramento, engages all five senses through tactile art, immersive light displays, and soundscape creation.

Curated by CADA, and designed to ignite curiosity and awaken perceptions, the art activation invites you on a sensory adventure through five interactive rooms, each celebrating at least one of the five senses.

The exhibit allows visitors to unwind in a meditative deep breathing room, and immerse themselves in sensory experiences of touch, sight, taste, smell, and sound, like never before.

Additionally, a holiday season donation

drive continues through December that provides free admission to the exhibit in exchange for canned goods, toys, or musical instruments that local, needy families,

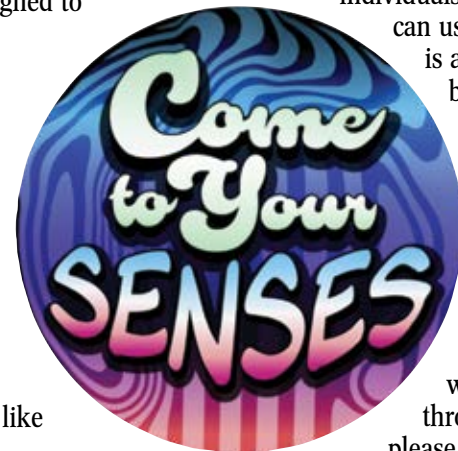
individuals, and youth programs can use. The donation drive

is a unique collaboration between CADA, the City of Sacramento, the YMCA, and MusicLandria.

If you prefer to purchase tickets, or you want more information about the sensory exhibit, which continues through Feb. 29, 2025,

please visit:

www.senses916.com



The Golden Girls Are Live Again This Christmas

If you're in the Bay Area this month seeing family and friends or doing some Christmas shopping, be sure and visit Blanche, Sofia, Rose, and Dorothy in their red-hot seasonal show, now in its 19th year in San Francisco.



"The Golden Girls Live: The Christmas Episodes" takes four drag legends and casts them in two parody Christmas episodes of the uproarious TV show "The Golden Girls."

Directed by D'Arcy Drollinger, this drag send-up and heartfelt tribute to the characters the entire world has come to know and love features the return of Coco Peru (Dorothy), Matthew Martin (Blanche), D'Arcy Drollinger (Rose), and Holotta Tymes (Sophia).

The cast also features Manuel Caneri, Michael Phillis, and Tom Shaw on the piano. You can see "The Golden Girls Live: The Christmas Episodes" at San Francisco's historic Curran Theatre through this Dec. 26. Visit: www.broadwaysf.com



Myriad Cellars: A Winner on Many Levels

words by Diana Kienle, Certified Specialist of Wine
photo by Cathy Swamberger

I have been buying the wine produced by Mike Smith, winemaker and co-proprietor of Myriad Cellars, since 2008. In most cases, that should be, by itself, a ringing endorsement of his wine. He honed his craft with one of the finest winemakers in the Napa Valley, Thomas Rivers Brown. Initially, Mike worked with Thomas for free for several crushes (seven to be exact), and ultimately Thomas offered Mike a job.



It was in 2006 that Mike was able to purchase grapes and establish his own label with his wife Leah as “copilot.” My first tasting with him was at Carter Cellars where he was established as the winemaker. I was sold on his expertise by then.

The character and quality of the wine stands out. Just recently, we had a tasting hosted by Leah, at Tamber Bey Winery. This is a custom crush facility where they make their wine. It is a lovely setting in Calistoga, CA at the north end of the Napa Valley. We were able to sit outside with a view of Mount St. Helena and taste luscious wine from the 2022 vintage. There were two standouts from this tasting. One being a favorite each vintage – Cabernet Sauvignon from the Dr. Crane Vineyard. Then there was a mystery wine from an unknown vineyard titled Rarefied Air Cabernet Sauvignon. It was a knockout! The mystery is that the source of the grapes is known only to Mike and Leah along with the owner of the vineyard. It could well be an opportunity for the owner of the vineyard to see first-hand what Mike can deliver. I know he or she won't be disappointed. I wasn't and bought the offering.

Myriad Cellars produces a wide portfolio of wines: Rosé, Semillon, Syrah, and several different Cabernets from outstanding vineyards in the valley. You won't be disappointed. Mike delivers wine that is smooth and expressive. His efforts have garnered high praise from several wine critics. In fact, here is a link to a Score Card from Myriad's website.

The high scores from well-known critics may be overwhelming yet easily reassure you of the quality of the wine. He is devoted to having the wine in the bottle be the expression of the land and the grapes. I highly recommend a tasting with the delightful Leah if you are in the Napa Valley. She will guide you through the lineup with insights and humor. If not, I have no hesitations recommending going on the website and trying some bottles for yourself. It is well worth it.

Enjoy!

Moshin Vineyards: The Gift of Exceptional California Wine

Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Give the gift of wine! Moshin Vineyards, nestled in the heart of Sonoma County's renowned Russian River Valley, crafts exquisite, small-lot wines that are sure to impress. Known for their silky Pinot Noir and vibrant Sauvignon Blanc, each bottle captures the essence of California winemaking at its finest. Whether you're shopping for a wine connoisseur or someone who simply loves to sip and savor, Moshin Vineyards offers a variety of options that make a thoughtful, delicious present. Share a bottle (or wine club) this season and let the cheers begin! Website: <https://moshinvineyards.com/>



Cozy Up This Holiday Season: Spiced Maple Bourbon Fizz

There's something about the chill in the air that brings people together, whether it's around a crackling campfire, the warm glow of the fireplace, or a bustling kitchen filled with familiar laughter. This Spiced Maple Bourbon Fizz captures that feeling of cozy togetherness in a glass. It's more than just a cocktail, it's a memory waiting to happen.

Picture this: a crisp December evening, family and friends gathered after months apart. Someone shares a story that has everyone laughing, while others are toasting to old memories and making new ones. That's where this drink shines. The warm notes of homemade spiced maple syrup blend beautifully with rich bourbon, the brightness of lemon and orange adding just the right touch of freshness. Topped with a splash of bubbly champagne, it's festive, inviting, and full of flavor.

This cocktail is perfect for the cold nights ahead, whether you're celebrating Thanksgiving or simply enjoying a quiet evening at home. And the best part? It's so easy to make. Mix up a large batch to have ready when your guests arrive, so you can spend less time prepping and more time savoring the moment.

A great cocktail doesn't just taste good, it has the power to bring people closer. Whether you're sharing this Spiced Maple Bourbon Fizz over heartfelt conversations or laughing with loved ones by the fire, it's the kind of drink that lingers in your memory long after the glass is empty. So, grab your favorite mug or cocktail glass, toast to the season, and let this drink be part of your holiday story.

SPICED MAPLE SYRUP

- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 1 tablespoon cardamom pods
- 1 star anise
- 1 inch fresh ginger, sliced
- zest of 1 orange

MAPLE FIZZ

- 1 1/2 ounces (3 tablespoons) bourbon
- 1 ounce (2 tablespoons) lemon juice
- 1-2 dashes orange bitters
- 1 ounce (2 tablespoons) spiced maple syrup
- champagne, for topping

Instructions

1. To make the spiced maple syrup. In a medium pot, bring 1/2 cup water, the maple, cinnamon, cardamom, star anise, and ginger to a boil over high heat. Boil 2-3 minutes, then remove from the heat. Stir in the orange zest. Let cool, then strain the syrup into a glass jar. This syrup makes enough for about 6 drinks.

2. In a cocktail shaker, combine 1-2 tablespoons maple syrup, the bourbon, lemon juice, and orange bitters. Add ice and shake. Strain into a glass. Top off with champagne.

Garnish with an orange slice and star anise, if desired.

Recipe by: Half Baked Harvest
*Instructions on how to make the punch can be found on blog



Discover Russian River Valley's best kept secret ...

MOSHIN VINEYARDS

Elegant estate-grown Pinot Noir

Tasting Room Open Daily

707-433-5499

Healdsburg, CA

MOSHINVINEYARDS.COM





Holiday Shopping Gift Guide

Gift Cards for the Holidays are More Popular Than Ever

by Chip Lupo, WalletHub Analyst

With the holiday season upon us and gift cards poised to be among the most popular presents yet again, the personal-finance website WalletHub today released its report on the Best Gift Cards of 2024. This report highlights the best gift cards based on popularity, average discount and resale value, while also providing 12 money-saving gift card tips to help holiday shoppers maximize their savings.

Some people might think gift cards are impersonal and inconsiderate, but gift cards happen to be the most popular type of holiday present for the 18th straight year, and they're great for making the most of an inflation-constricted budget. Not only can you buy gift cards from some of the most popular retailers at discounts of up to 16.30%, but you can also avoid wasting your money buying a specific item your recipient ends up having already or simply hating. If you want to personalize your gift card, a thoughtful note to go along with it won't cost you a thing.

Avoid gift cards from credit card networks like Visa, Mastercard and American Express because they eat up part of your holiday budget with fees. It's better to give cash instead of a gift card that charges a fee.

Most Popular Gift Cards

- 1) Visa Gift Card
- 2) Amazon Gift Card
- 3) Target Gift Card
- 4) Sephora Gift Card
- 5) Walmart Gift Card

Best Gift Cards

- 1) Amazon Gift Card
- 2) Target Gift Card
- 3) Sephora Gift Card
- 4) Walmart Gift Card
- 5) Starbucks Gift Card

Most-Discounted Cards

- 1) SONIC Gift Card (16.30% discount)
- 2) Cinemark Gift Card (9.89% discount)
- 3) Netflix Gift Card (9.18% discount)
- 4) Michaels Gift Card (8.50% discount)
- 5) Fandango Gift Card (8.32% discount)

Best Resale Value

- 1) Costco Gift Card
- 2) Home Depot Gift Card
- 3) Best Buy Gift Card
- 4) Disney Gift Card
- 5) Whole Foods Gift Card



Kicksville Vinyl & Vintage: A Retro Haven for Vinyl and Furniture Lovers

Kicksville Vinyl & Vintage in Sacramento is a must-visit destination for anyone who loves vinyl records and retro home decor. Specializing in an eclectic mix of carefully curated records and mid-century modern furniture, this shop is perfect for finding a unique holiday gift. From classic albums to stylish vintage furniture pieces that add character to any space, Kicksville offers one-of-a-kind treasures that music lovers and design enthusiasts will adore. Give the gift of nostalgia and timeless style this holiday season with a special find from Kicksville Vinyl & Vintage! Website: <http://www.kicksvilleshop.com/>

Transform Your Streaming-Listening Experience

The bluMe Pro Bluetooth receiver elevates your audio setup with: **Unmatched Sound Quality:** Enjoy rich, crystal-clear audio with aptX HD and Bluetooth 5.0 for a wireless experience as good as wired.

Effortless Setup: Simply plug it into your system, pair your device, and enjoy an instant sound upgrade.

Durability and Reliability: Built with premium components for strong signal stability and years of uninterrupted, high-quality sound.

Upgrade

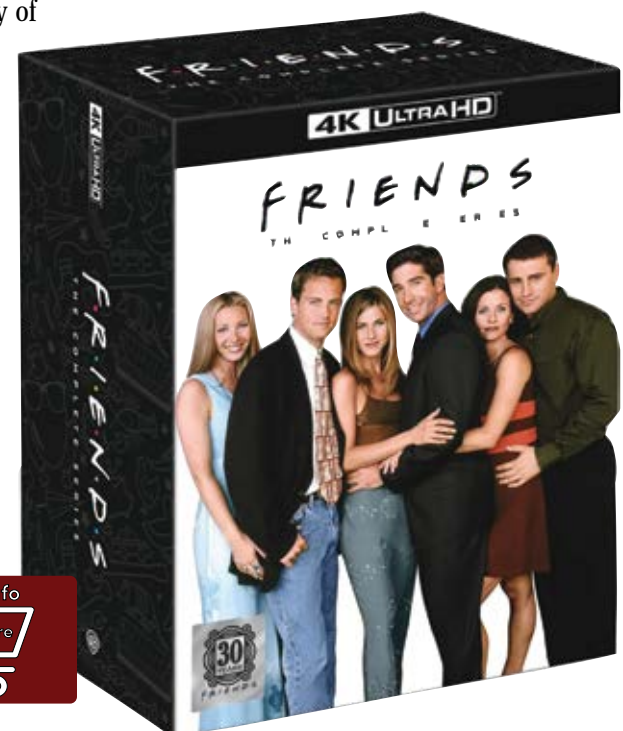
your music with the bluMe Pro—simple, powerful, and built to impress. \$150.00.



Friends: The Complete Series is Now Available in 4K Ultra HD

Celebrate the 30th anniversary of Friends with the ultimate collector's set! This special release features all 236 original broadcast episodes in stunning 4K Ultra HD for the first time, along with over 20 hours of extra content, including new behind-the-scenes bonus features like "Through the Peephole," which highlights iconic props and costumes from the show.

Relive the humor, heart, and timeless moments of this beloved series that continues to charm fans across generations. Share the excitement and spread the word! \$200.00.



Bryan Ferry's Retrospective: Selected Recordings 1973-2023

This is a monumental 81-track collection celebrating his 50-year solo career, is out now via BMG. Spanning 16 solo albums, it highlights Ferry's evolution as an artist and includes two brand-new tracks, "Star" and his reinterpretation of Bob Dylan's "She Belongs to Me." The deluxe release showcases Ferry's genre-blending approach, moving through rock, R&B, electronica, jazz, and more, reflecting his timeless influence on modern music.

Available in multiple formats, the deluxe 5-CD box set is divided into five thematic discs. Disc One offers "The Best of Bryan Ferry," featuring classics like "Slave to Love" and "Let's

Stick Together." Disc Two: Compositions traces his development as a songwriter, emphasizing themes of love and introspection. Disc Three: Interpretations highlights Ferry's reinvention of songs by artists like The Velvet Underground and Otis Redding. Disc Four explores his orchestral jazz reimaginings from The Jazz Age and Bitter-Sweet, including pieces from The Great Gatsby soundtrack. Finally, Disc Five: Rare and Unreleased presents unique tracks, such as a collaboration with Ronnie Spector and a reworking of John Lennon's "Whatever Gets You Thru the Night."

Critics have praised the collection for its depth and innovation, with MOJO lauding Ferry's ability to go beyond surface perfection, and Classic Pop commending his consistent risk-taking. This retrospective celebrates Ferry's mastery as a modern interpreter of music and showcases his enduring impact on British music, from his Roxy Music roots to his ever-evolving solo artistry. Retrospective is available as a 5CD box set, 2LP editions, and digitally, offering fans an expansive gateway into Ferry's groundbreaking career.

\$38.00.



Holiday Shopping Gift Guide

Dog Mama Baseball Cap

Gift the proud Dog Mama in your life a stylish and practical baseball cap this holiday season! Made from 100% garment-washed cotton, this classic 6-panel cap features “DOG MAMA” embroidered lettering, a pre-curved visor, and an adjustable metal buckle for a perfect fit. Perfect for daily wear and wellness activities, this comfortable and durable hat is a year-round favorite. \$29.99.



Pet Bandana

Add holiday charm to your pet's look with the Pawsome Pets festive bandana! Handmade in the USA from 100% cotton, this soft and breathable accessory is perfect for gatherings, photos, or spreading seasonal cheer. Designed for comfort, it ties easily for a secure fit and comes in a square shape for versatile styling. A thoughtful gift for pet lovers, this bandana is non-returnable, so be sure to choose the right size! \$24.99.



Towne Modern Nightstand

Elevate your bedroom with the minimalist elegance of the Towne Modern Nightstand. Designed with modern sophistication, this sleek bedside companion is crafted from premium poplar wood for the top and base, offering both durability and a lightweight design. Its easy-care surface cleans effortlessly. Combine style and functionality—make this the perfect addition to your modern bedroom. \$550.00.



Mid-Century Atomic Dish Towel Trio – Sustainable and Stylish

Upgrade your kitchen with this Mid-Century Modern Atomic Trio Towel Set, featuring three 16” x 24” absorbent and fast-drying towels crafted from recycled materials (each towel made from 3.5 recycled water bottles). Perfect for daily use or gifting, these durable, stain-resistant towels are hemmed on all edges, designed with soft-handed prints that won't peel or crack, and are machine washable. Ideal as dish towels, hand towels, or decorative accents, they combine functionality with eco-friendly style. Designed and printed in San Jose, California, they're a perfect mix of practicality and charm. \$35.00.



The Highlands in Guerneville: The Gift of a Serene Getaway

Give the gift of relaxation with a stay at The Highlands in Guerneville, California, an enchanting retreat nestled in the heart of Sonoma County's Russian River Valley. Surrounded by towering redwoods and just minutes from world-class wineries, charming downtown Guerneville, and the scenic riverfront. The Highlands offers a peaceful escape from the hustle and bustle. Perfect for couples or small groups, their stylishly cozy accommodations feature modern amenities and stunning natural views. Whether it's a romantic weekend or a rejuvenating getaway, The Highlands provides an unforgettable experience that's truly a gift worth giving. Website: <https://www.highlandsresort.com/>

Breville Espresso Machine: The Perfect Gift for Coffee Lovers

Elevate every coffee lover's morning routine with the Breville Espresso Machine from Williams-Sonoma. Designed for coffee connoisseurs, this sleek and powerful machine delivers café-quality espresso, lattes, and cappuccinos. With features like customizable settings, precise temperature control, and a built-in grinder for fresh beans, it's the ultimate tool for creating barista-worthy beverages at home. Beautifully crafted and easy to use, the Breville Espresso Machine makes an unforgettable holiday gift that will delight every morning (and maybe even afternoon). Give the gift of luxury and great coffee this season! \$699.00.



Cook with Love: The Le Creuset Pride Dutch Oven

Celebrate love and inclusivity this holiday season with Le Creuset's limited-edition Signature Enamelled Cast Iron Round Dutch Oven, adorned with a vibrant rainbow of hearts. This 4.5-quart Dutch oven not only makes a meaningful statement but also offers exceptional performance for slow-cooking, baking, and roasting. Its enameled cast iron construction ensures even heat distribution and superior heat retention, while the colorful design adds a joyful touch to any kitchen. Available exclusively at Williams Sonoma, this unique piece is a thoughtful gift that combines functionality with a celebration of diversity and love. \$415.00





10PM
SEXY
GOGO'S

14 DEC
SATURDAY

MAN
Candy

BADLANDS
SACRAMENTO
2003 K STREET, SACRAMENTO
BADLANDSSAC.COM | BADLANDSSAC

Holiday Shopping Gift Guide

For those that are unapologetically gay, and love and respect LGBTQ history, there is nothing more iconic than Keith Haring's whimsical art. And now you can have a taste of that, decorating with these items around your happy, gay home, and even your lovely wrist. Here are a couple of items that come up:

Keith Haring Barking Dog Bright Blue Doormat

Make a statement with the Keith Haring Barking Dog Bright Blue Doormat! Featuring the iconic Haring design in vibrant arctic blue against a coir-like background, this doormat is as bold as it is practical. Crafted from durable, machine-washable material, it resists fading and mold, making it a stylish and reliable addition to any indoor or outdoor space. \$160.00.



Keith Haring Swatch Watch from the Archives



This timepiece showcases a matte light beige dial adorned with gray illustrations, the signature and copyright of artist Keith Haring, and his unique interpretation of the Swatch logo. Silver-tone hour, minute, and second hands gracefully mark the time beneath the biosourced glass. The design is completed with a matte transparent biosourced case, strap, loop, and buckle for a modern and sustainable finish. \$110.



Dancers Wall Applique

A wall applique featuring the iconic black line art of dancers inspired by pop artist Keith Haring, showcasing them in dynamic poses. The interior of each dancer will match the wall color, blending seamlessly into the space. \$35.00.



Who Wouldn't want Stylish and Sexy New Underwear?



Jack Adams underwear makes a stylish and thoughtful Christmas gift, combining comfort, quality, and a touch of boldness. Known for its modern designs and premium materials, the brand offers a variety of styles—from briefs to trunks and jockstraps—catering to different preferences. Whether you're shopping for a partner, friend, or yourself, Jack Adams underwear is a perfect way to celebrate the holiday season with confidence and flair. Its sleek designs and impeccable fit ensure not only a practical gift but also one that exudes personality and charm, making it a standout under the tree. www.jackadamsusa.com

Out & About

with Matthew Burlingame

This holiday season we're reminded of the power of togetherness. Surrounding ourselves with those who demonstrate their love for us each day through their actions, we find strength to embrace the challenges of the coming year. For many in our community, family is chosen—a cherished circle of friends and allies who uplift and support us in uncertain times. Celebrate those bonds this season through laughter, tradition, or simply being present. These moments of unity empower us all. Now let's explore some fun events happening this holiday season.

Join us at *Outword's* monthly happy hour on Friday, Dec. 13 at Badlands Sacramento, 2003 K St. for a dose of holiday Liquid Therapy at 5:30 p.m. Bring a toy for our annual toy drive and get chances to win prizes and enjoy drink specials. Reconnect with old friends and make new ones for the holidays. Badlandssac.com

Catch the delightful holiday production "Georgiana & Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley" through Jan. 5 at Capital Stage, 2215 J St. Directed by Janis Stevens, this heartwarming tale follows Georgiana Darcy and Kitty Bennet as they navigate love, ambition, and meddlesome families in a music-filled journey of sisterhood and forgiveness. Don't miss this seasonal treat! Capstage.org

Celebrate the season at the Old Norse Yule Market on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 2 to 8 p.m., hosted by The WitchGang Apothecary & Emporium, 5440 14th Ave. Enjoy a Nordic wonderland with local artisans, readers, food trucks, and hot chocolate. Admission is free, and the event is open to all ages! Witchgang.com

The enchanting holiday play *Tinker the Toy Maker* by Niyah Moore premieres Dec. 6 at Celebration Arts, 2727 B St., and runs through Dec. 22. Join the talented cast in the festive village of Jangleville for a whimsical family story about Mary Tinker's quest to restore holiday magic. Don't miss this heartwarming production! Celebrationarts.com

Get ready for the ultimate plant-lover's experience as the Hella Plants Market returns to Sacramento on Sunday, Dec. 22, from noon-5 p.m. at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria, 828 I St. Enjoy workshops, delicious food, and hella plants in a welcoming atmosphere. Don't miss this unforgettable market—it's bigger, better, and back in the Sac! Thehellaplantsmarket.com

Ring in the New Year at FACES Nightclub on Tuesday, Dec. 31! Doors open at 7 p.m. with a full buffet from 7-10 p.m. and a thrilling midnight cash and prize balloon drop. Join the fun at 2000 K St. Don't wait to snag your tickets! Faces.net



"Tinker the Toy Maker" at Celebration Arts

Join the Sacramento Asian Pacific, Hispanic, and Black Chambers of Commerce for the 2024 Alliance Holiday Mixer on Thursday, Dec. 19, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Stones Gambling Hall, 6510 Antelope Rd., Citrus Heights. Enjoy holiday cheer, networking, last-minute shopping, and support the Lao Family Community Development Donation Drive. Don't miss it! Sacblackchamber.org

Join Golden Rule Services in celebrating 25 years of supporting Sacramento County's BIPOC and LGBTQ+ communities. The event features live entertainment, including a Brazilian drum circle, inspiring speakers, and honorees who've championed the fight

against HIV/AIDS. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with the show at 6 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 1 at The Center at Twenty-Three Hundred, 2300 Sierra Blvd. Tickets are selling fast! GRSgala.org

Join us Tuesday, Dec. 24 from 5:30-7 p.m. at A Seat at the Table Books, 9257 Laguna Springs Dr. in Elk Grove, for Vinyl and Vino! Sip fine wine, spin your favorite records, and connect with fellow music and wine lovers. Happening every second and fourth Tuesday. RSVPs are preferred—don't miss this perfect pairing! Aseatatthetablebooks.org

Do you have events, birthdays, or announcements to share? Feel free to send them to matthewburlingame@gmail.com.



Any New Services Contract, Earth Guard Pest Services will donate \$25 to the Sacramento LGBT Center.

EARTH GUARD
Pest Services

Serving the Environment and You

We are your Sacramento Valley Pest Control Experts

- Residential
- Commercial/Real Estate
- Green Services
- Full-Service Pest Control
- Bird Abatement

As Our Customer, You Deserve...

- Safety and Security from Household Pests
- Cost-Effective, Professional, Friendly
- Pet Friendly

Contact Us Today! 916-457-7605
contact@earthguardpest.com

Coming Soon

Offering something that is good for the soul, body or heart?

Reach out to Outword readers.



Artwork Deadline:
December 30, 2024

Street Date:
January 9, 2025

Call Fred today for more details.
916-329-9280





Upcoming events. 2024/25

outWord

media • marketing • events

Next Theme Issue: **Health & Body**

Artwork Deadline: **December 30**

Street Date: **January 9**

SUBSCRIBE FOR FREE



Contact us today!

Fred Palmer - Office: 916-329-9280 - Fred@OutwordMagazine.com

DEC
16

PRIMETIMERS

Lunch & Dessert @ Estelle's - 11:30am.
For more events and information visit:
<https://chapters.theprimetimersww.com/sacramento/>



FEB
07

MONDAVI CENTER

Sasha Velour - The Big Reveal: Why Drag Matters, Now & Forever. 7:30 pm @ Jackson Hall. More information online:
<https://www.mondaviarts.org/whats-on/sasha-velour/>

DEC
31

FACES- NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

Doors open @ 7pm- full buffet. Midnight cash and prize balloon drop. visit www.faces.net for more information.

FEB
18

HARRIS CENTER

R.E.S.P.E.C.T. is an electrifying tribute celebrating the music of the legendary Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin. This concert experience takes audiences on a journey of love, tragedy, courage, and triumph. more information online:
<https://www.harriscenter.net/respect>



DEC
31

BROADWAY SACRAMENTO

KIMBERLY AKIMBO is the winner of five 2023 Tony Awards including BEST MUSICAL! Kimberly is about to turn 16 and recently moved with her family to a new town in suburban New Jersey. show starts Dec. 31 and goes to Jan. 2 - more information online:
<https://www.broadwaysacramento.com/production/kimberly-akimbo/>



FEB
28

BUSINESS & COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARDS & EXPO

The Sacramento Rainbow Chamber Annual awards luncheon & Expo . 10am - 1pm. For more information visit www.RainbowChamber.com

JAN
02

DRAG QUEEN BINGO

@Mango's- Sahara Hope Foundation is this month's beneficiary. 7 - 9pm. All seating is first come first serve. \$20 CASH Donation to play 8 games.

MAR
04

"YOUR EVENT HERE"

Contact Julie Ebe about getting your next event on our calendar!

Julie@OutwordMagazine.com

JAN
17

HAPPY HOUR - LIQUID THERAPY

Outword's Monthly Happy Hour at Badlands- 5:50-7pm. Join us for some liquid Therapy and good company.

L'Amour Shoppe

LGBTQ+ Friendly

DVD Sales & Rentals

Magazines

Toys

Leather

Lingerie

Novelties

Gifts

Accessories

Knowledgeable
& Helpful Staff

2531 Broadway
(at 26th St. in Sacramento)

(916) 736-3467

Open 9AM-1AM daily

Clean In Time for the Holidays

The Holiday season is upon us. It's time for entertaining, and hosting!

Is your home ready to host a Thanksgiving dinner, or a Holiday Party?

Let us do the dirty work, and help you prepare for the joy your family and friends will bring this holiday season in a fresh clean home!

4 Person Hours
of Cleaning

\$170

6 Person Hours
of Cleaning

\$195

8 Person Hours
of Cleaning

\$315

916.833.8510

Call for details. Restrictions apply.
We are also offering first-time booking promotion as well as a Senior discount!

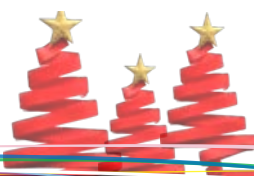


Enjoy your days worry free, come home to a clean sanctuary...



Limited Time Offer

info@house-2-om.com



Advertiser Directory

Advertisers with a contract of four months or more.

ADULT STORES

L'AMOUR SHOPPE
2531 Broadway, 916-736-3467

BARS / CLUBS

BADLANDS
2005 K St., 916-441-6823 SacBadlands.com

FACES
2000 K St., Sac, Faces.net

THE BOLT
2560 Boxwood St., Sac,
916 649-8420 • SacBolt.com

THE DEPOT
2001 K St., Sac, 916-441-6823 TheDepot.net

CHIROPRACTORS

HEALING TOUCH CHIROPRACTIC
Dr. Darrick Lawson, 1210 G Street, 916-447-3344
www.FixMyBack.com

COUNSELING

WEAVE
916-920-2952 (24/7)
www.weaveinc.org

BANKS / CREDIT UNIONS

TRI COUNTIES BANK
www.tricountiesbank.com

DENTISTRY

ERIC GROVE, DDS
KENDALL HOMER, DMD
9216 Kiefer Blvd., STE 5
916-363-9171 • grovehomerdentists.com

DINING/BEVERAGES

LA COSECHA
916-970-5354
LaCosechaSacramento.com

ROSCOE'S BAR & BURGERS
916-898-3631
Roscoes916.com

SCOTT'S SEAFOOD - ON THE RIVER
916-379-5959
ScottsSeafoodontheRiver.com

THE WATERBOY
916-498-9891
www.waterboyrestaurant.com

FINANCIAL PLANNING

MIDTOWN FINANCIAL
Al Roche, 1750 Creekside Dr. Suite 215,
916-447-9220 MidtownFinancial.net

STEELE FINANCIAL PARTNERS
Judy Steele, Financial Advisor
916-846-7733
www.steelefp.com

FLOAT CENTER

CAPITOL FLOATS
www.capitolfloats.com

HEATING & AIR

PERFECTION HOME SYSTEMS
916-481-0658
www.HotCold.com

HEALTH SERVICES

CAPITAL CITY AIDS FUND
1912 F Street, 916-448-1110
PlayButPlaySafe.org

RIVER BEND MEDICAL ASSOC.
www.rbmafamilydocs.com

LIBRARIES

FRIENDS OF THE SAC. PUBLIC LIBRARY
8250 Belvedere, Ste. E,
916-731-8493

MUSEUMS

CROCKER ART MUSEUM
916-808-7000
CrockerArt.org

OPTOMETRY

CAMERON YEE, O.D.
6407 Riverside Blvd., 916-395-0673
DrCameronYee@aol.com

PERFORMING ARTS

BROADWAY SACRAMENTO
Safe Credit Union Performing Arts Center
916-557-1999
BroadwaySacramento.com

HARRIS CENTER
10 College Parkway, Folsom, CA 95630
916-608-6888
HarrisCenter.net

MONDAVI CENTER
UC Davis
mondaviarts.org

PEST MANAGEMENT

EARTH GUARD PEST SERVICES
916-457-7605
contact@earthguardpest.com

PHARMACY

PUCCI'S PHARMACY
3257 Folsom Blvd., 916-442-5891
www.puccirx.com

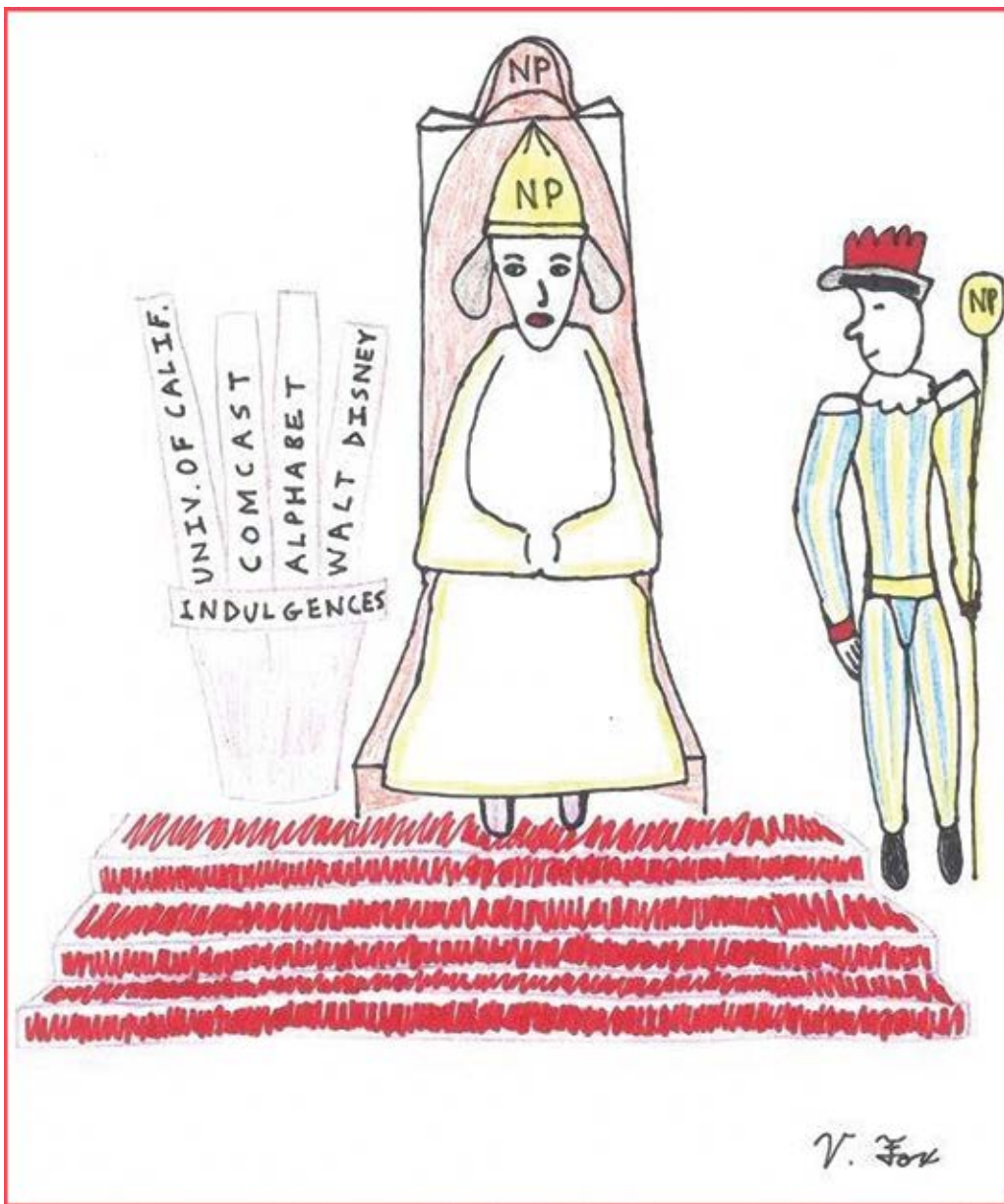
REAL ESTATE

COLDWELL BANKER
Mark T. Peters, 916-341-7794
www.MarkPeters.biz

LYON REAL ESTATE
Tanya Curry, 916-698-9970
TCurry.GoLyon.com

MCMARTIN REALTY
Brian McMartin, 916-402-4160
brian@brianmcmartin.com
McMartinRealty.com

The
Word
is out.



V. Fox

Paid Advertisement • Copyright CastroCreeperSociety.com



REP. NANCY PELOSI AND TREASURY SEC.
JANET YELLEN ESCORTING A
YOUNG BLACK WOMAN TO AN
ABORTION CLINIC.

V. Fox

EST. 1967

Prime Timers of Sacramento is a group of mature men (21+) who enjoy the social community that is thriving here in Sacramento.

All details can be found on our website, Facebook, or Meetup.com

www.PrimeTimersofSacramento.org

Back Issues at Your Fingertips!

... and the most current issue too!

To read past issues of Outword as PDFs, just point your phone's camera at this QR and click!

outword
media • marketing • events



SUNBURST
projects



**YEAR-END
GIVING**
Challenge

Looking ahead to 2025, community support is more vital than ever. With your help, we can continue providing free, life-changing HIV services to the Sacramento community.



***Every gift, big or small, makes a lasting impact.
Give an amount that is meaningful to you!***

Support us this holiday season

Scan the QR code or visit our website
sunburstprojects.org to donate today!



Sunburst Projects is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization
Tax ID#68-0239282
Your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.