

# HAVE AN ENRICHED SUMMER IN THE CITY!

## Activities and enrichment resources for summer youth programs

*This listing created by the Summer Learning Network for the Feb. 25, 2011, Summer Program Development Conference includes activities and resource providers that offer their programs during the summer and can work with summer youth programs, based on the information available as of February 2011. Some programs that are presenting separately at the event are not included on the list. We'll continue to update Summer Learning Network members on additional resources. Please join the Summer Learning Network (at no cost) to stay in the information loop! To join, e-mail Margaret Brodtkin, [brodtkinm@sfsud.edu](mailto:brodtkinm@sfsud.edu). And keep up with our blog at [www.sfsommerlearning.org](http://www.sfsommerlearning.org).*

### ARTS

#### **Bayview Hunters Point Radio Network**

**Contact:** Johnny Radio, [johnnyradio@bvhpradio.org](mailto:johnnyradio@bvhpradio.org) (or contact through website)

Free: BVHP Radio is planning an event for summer 2011 (date to be announced): the Boom Parade, "a parade of music- and sound-producing art-cars, art-trucks, art-bikes, art-go-carts, art-rollerblades, and art-shoes, all designed, built, and driven by local residents. The Boom Parade will drive up and down the hardest-hit streets and housing projects" of Bayview-Hunters Point. The project plans to team up with summer programs to guide young people's participation in creating the event.

[www.bvhpradio.org](http://www.bvhpradio.org)

#### **Handful Players**

**Contact:** Judith Cohen, [judithc@handfulplayers.org](mailto:judithc@handfulplayers.org)

Fee-based: Can do a program or workshop in musical theater at the summer program site.

[www.handfulplayers.org/](http://www.handfulplayers.org/)

#### **Marsh Youth Theater**

**Contact:** Emily Klion, 415/641-0235

1062 Valencia St. @ 22<sup>nd</sup> Street (Mission District)

Fee-based: From June 6-24, the Marsh can offer dance workshops or classes – one-time or more -- in Latin and Hip-Hop, by arrangement, at its site.

Free: On Friday, Aug. 5, the Marsh's middle school ensemble will present a daytime performance of a stage play based on the work of Mark Twain, with free admission.

[www.themarsh.org](http://www.themarsh.org)

#### **The San Francisco Mime Troupe**

**Contact:** Jenee Gill, 415/285-1717

855 Treat St. between 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> streets (Mission District)

Free: This renowned San Francisco theater troupe presents a traveling political satire production every year, opening every July 4 in Dolores Park. Summer programs are welcome to observe a rehearsal during June. The productions are sophisticated, but lively enough to be kid-friendly.

[www.sfmt.org](http://www.sfmt.org)

### **Museum of Craft and Folk Art**

**Contact:** Linda Janklow, [ljanklow@mocfa.org](mailto:ljanklow@mocfa.org) or 415/227-4888 ext. 23

51 Yerba Buena Lane (between Market, Mission, Third and Fourth streets), South of Market

Fee-based: All the workshops described on the Education page of MOCFA's website are offered during the summer as well, from African-American quilting to rice as food and folk art. Can travel to your site.

[www.mocfa.org](http://www.mocfa.org)

### **Precita Eyes Mural Center**

**Contact:** Missy Ablin, 415/285-2287

Mural arts and visitors' center: 2981 24<sup>th</sup> St. @ Harrison, Mission District

Studio: 348 Precita Ave. @ Treat St., Mission/Bernal Heights

Fee-based: Mural art workshops for all ages, one day or longer period, onsite or offsite. See also guided mural tours in the category "Exploring San Francisco."

Workshops for educators are offered the third Tuesday of every month, 7-9 p.m., by reservation (415/285-2287), \$50.

[www.precitaeyes.org](http://www.precitaeyes.org)

### **Recology: Art at the dump**

**Contact:** Micah Gibson, [mgibson@recology.com](mailto:mgibson@recology.com)

501 Tunnel Ave., Visitacion Valley

Free: Check availability early for a great tour of the Recology (formerly Sunset Scavenger) recycling facility, Artist-in-Residence Program and Sculpture Garden. All students on the tour must be 9 and older, and groups are limited to 35 students and five chaperones. This is a fun tour that educates kids about the environment, recycling and reuse, as well as the interesting technology that handles tons of recyclable materials – and also inspires them with art made from discarded items, including the Sculpture Garden right at the dump.

<http://www.recologysf.com/AIR/>

### **San Francisco Opera**

**Contact:** Ruth Nott, 415/551-6290

The Opera House, 301 Van Ness Ave. @ Grove, Civic Center

Free or fee-based depending on the workshop offered: It's not all plus-size ladies singing arias in Italian! The SF Opera offers summer versions of the same popular programs it brings to schools during the school year. Topics include "Sing a Story" for younger children and "Voices for Social Justice" for grades 6-8 (how song has been both a product of and an instigator for social change) – both workshops create original works. The SF Opera workshops can involve building singing skills, theater skills, visual arts activities – all part of opera productions.

[www.sfopera.com](http://www.sfopera.com), click "learn."

## **Yerba Buena Gardens**

Between Mission, Folsom, Third and Fourth streets, South of Market

Free: The Yerba Buena Gardens Festival presents music, theater, dance, cultural events, educational and children's programs, reflecting the rich cultures and creativity of the region. All are free and open to the public, and many are held during summer weekdays. The schedule will be posted in early spring. Last summer, YBGF offered a free series of children's performers on Fridays around noontime, and a free series of musical performers for all ages on Thursdays at noontime, emphasizing world music and other styles. This year a poetry/spoken word series presented by both youth and adults will be added on Tuesdays around noon.

[www.ybgf.org](http://www.ybgf.org)

## **Young Audiences-Northern California**

**Contact:** *Lilia Aguero, [Lilia@ya-nc.org](mailto:Lilia@ya-nc.org)*

Fee-based: Young Audiences brings arts education, residencies and performances in all types of arts to youth programs. See the complete information being provided at the Feb. 25, 2011, summer planning event.

[www.ya-nc.org](http://www.ya-nc.org)

# EXPLORING SAN FRANCISCO

## **City Guides**

**Contact:** *Libby Zazzera, 415/557-4266 or [schooltours@sfcityguides.org](mailto:schooltours@sfcityguides.org)*

Fee-based, grades 4-12: City Guides offers guided two-hour walking tours designed to fascinate kids. Go to the website and click on Walking Tours for the School Tours list. Examples include: "1906 Earthquake & Fire -- From South of Market to Union Square, explore how a massive earthquake toppled buildings, ripped apart city water pipes, and led to a fire that burned for 3 days." And: "Fisherman's Wharf: Learn about swimmers who survived (or didn't) the treacherous bay, the baseball great whose dad wanted him to be a fisherman, and what is underneath Aquatic Park." Please allow 3-4 weeks lead time to plan a group youth program tour.

[www.sfcityguides.org](http://www.sfcityguides.org)

## **San Francisco City Hall tours**

**Contact:** *Ellen Schumer, 415/554-6139*

Free: Tours are 45-60 minutes can be tailored to all ages. Reserve in advance.

<http://sfgsa.org/index.aspx?page=1172>

## **The Contemporary Jewish Museum**

**Contact:** *Cecile Poretz, [tours@thecjm.org](mailto:tours@thecjm.org) or 415/655-7856*  
736 Mission St. between Third and Fourth streets (South of Market)

Fee-based: The CJM offers a museum tour that's a hands-on exploration of architecture, with projects and activities tailored by age.

[www.thecjm.org](http://www.thecjm.org)

### **Hyde Street Pier and San Francisco Maritime Museum**

**Contact:** *Mariah Gardner, 415/292-6664 or [mgardner@maritime.org](mailto:mgardner@maritime.org)*

Foot of Hyde Street at Jefferson

Free to ages 15 and under, fee-based for older teens and adults: The Hyde Street Pier offers four permanently docked ships that visitors can tour. Allow two weeks' notice. Visitors can tour the *Balclutha*, an 1886 full-rigged ship; the *Eureka*, an 1890 San Francisco ferry; the *C.A. Thayer*, an 1895 lumber schooner; and the *Hercules*, a 1907 ocean tugboat – and admire the small craft and huge freighters plying the bay while soaking up the maritime atmosphere. Groups require a ratio of at least one adult per 10 children and youth.

[www.maritime.org](http://www.maritime.org)

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Studio: 348 Precita Ave. @ Treat St., Mission/Bernal Heights

Fee-based: Guided mural tours for all ages. See also mural arts workshops in the "Arts" category.

[www.precitaeyes.org](http://www.precitaeyes.org)

### **Recology (aka the city dump)**

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<http://www.recologysf.com/>

## LITERACY/SPOKEN WORD

**NOTE:** *The San Francisco Public Library is the premier community resource. Its materials are being presented separately at the Summer Program Development Conference. The Summer Learning Network will continue to update information on SFPL programs.*

[www.sfpl.org](http://www.sfpl.org)

## Yerba Buena Gardens

Between Mission, Folsom, Third and Fourth streets, South of Market

Free: The Yerba Buena Gardens Festival, which presents performances on many summer weekdays, this year will offer poetry/spoken word performances every Tuesday during the summer, at or around noon. Both youth and adult poets will be featured. The schedule will be posted in early spring.

[www.ybgf.org](http://www.ybgf.org)

## Youth Speaks

Locations and schedules to be announced

Free: Youth Speaks offers fantastic no-fee spoken word activities for high schoolers and some for middle schoolers in July -- both workshops and spectator opportunities. This year, the annual Brave New Voices International Youth Poetry Slam Festival – the world’s largest ongoing spoken-word event – happens in San Francisco the evening of Saturday, July 23, at the Opera House.

Events in connection with Brave New Voices offer enrichment and educational activities during the week of July 18-23. The Summer Learning Network will update members on details and schedules as early as possible.

The week of July 18 on a day to be announced, Youth Speaks will engage 500 high-school-age teens in free writing workshops at 10 branch libraries around San Francisco. On Thursday, July 21, young people are invited to a day of writing in San Francisco with Youth Speaks leaders from around the country.

Free spectator opportunities leading up to the Brave New Voices final event:

- Quarter finals all day on Friday, July 22, at various locations in the Mission District.
- Semifinals all day Saturday, July 23, at four locations.

Tickets are \$6 to the final event at the Opera House on Saturday, July 23.

Stay tuned for further details.

[www.youthspeaks.org](http://www.youthspeaks.org)

## MOVEMENT

### Abada Capoeira

**Contact:** Lisa Willoughby, [bookings@abada.org](mailto:bookings@abada.org) or 415/206-0650  
3221 22<sup>nd</sup> St. near Mission, Mission District

Fee-based: Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian martial art self-defense form that incorporates acrobatics, dance, percussion, and songs. Abada can offer options ranging from one-time workshops to ongoing classes, onsite or offsite, for ages 5 and up.

[www.abada.org](http://www.abada.org)

## NUTRITION

### **Community Grows**

**Contact:** *Barbara Wenger, 415/431-8112, or Nora Brereton, 415/424-5700*

Fee-based: Can arrange a cooking demonstration/class at the Hayward Playground Recreation Center, 1016 Laguna St. between Golden Gate and Turk, Western Addition. (Also listed under "Science//Tech/Outdoors/Environment" for its gardening program.)

[www.communitygrows.org](http://www.communitygrows.org)

### **E.J.'s Cookin' with Class**

**Contact:** *E.J. Yurkov, 415/425-5222*

Fee-based: One-time workshop or ongoing sessions teaching basic cooking skills through creating culturally, ethnically diverse menus and recipes. Ages 4-15; groups up to 20. Will come to your site and bring all equipment and ingredients.

<http://www.ejscookinwithclass.com>

## SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY/OUTDOORS/ENVIRONMENT

### **Community Grows**

**Contact:** *Barbara Wenger, 415/431-8112, or Nora Brereton, 415/424-5700*

Fee-based: Can arrange a workshop in one of the gardens Community Grows is creating in various locations. (Also listed under "Nutrition" for its cooking workshops.)

[www.communitygrows.org](http://www.communitygrows.org)

### **Mission Science Workshop**

**Contact:** *Dan Sudran, 415/621-1240*

Located at Mission High School, 3750 18<sup>th</sup> St. (Church Street side), Mission District/Castro

Fee-based: Can arrange one-shot or longer-term session at the Mission Science site, for second grade and up. "Combines traditional activities in experimental sciences – use of microscopes, balances, thermometers, culturing plants and animals – with building a variety of projects with clay, wood, and plastic, including pendulums, electric and mechanical toys, musical instruments, and apparatuses that enhance our explorations of sound, light and color. In all our activities ... the emphasis is upon learning from observation and direct experience with real things."

[www.missionscienceworkshop.org](http://www.missionscienceworkshop.org)

### **MOUSE Squad**

**Contact:** *Jan Half, 408/712-5912, [jhalf@ca.mousesquad.org](mailto:jhalf@ca.mousesquad.org)*

Fee-based: MOUSE Squad works with young people ages 9-18 to build technology and leadership skills. Programs must have computers and Internet access on site, and a program leader or staffer who can be trained to work with the students (teaching credential not required). The program needs to be at least a week, which can be half-days, and can extend up to 12 weeks.

[www.mousesquad.org](http://www.mousesquad.org)

### **Outdoor Exploratorium @ Fort Mason**

Marina Boulevard at Buchanan Street, Marina District  
(415)561-0360

The Outdoor Exploratorium features a collection of 20 outdoor interactive science exhibits and artworks. Dotted along the waterfront at Fort Mason Center and in the adjoining 55-acre National Park of Upper Ft. Mason, these exhibits harness the wind, the waves, marine life, and the man-made and natural environments in this urban waterfront site. Maps are available at Fort Mason Center, Bldg A, open seven days a week.

<http://www.exploratorium.edu/outdoor>

### **San Francisco Botanical Garden**

**Contact:** *Annette Huddle, 415/661-1316 ext. 407*  
Ninth Avenue @ Lincoln Way, Golden Gate Park, Inner Sunset District

Free to youth programs: Tours and programs in an urban oasis.

[www.sfbotanicalgarden.org](http://www.sfbotanicalgarden.org)

### **San Francisco State University Kayaking/Sailing Camp**

**Contact:** *Dr. Patrick Tierney, 415/338-1531*  
Lake Merced, Lakeshore/Sunset District

Full scholarships for groups representing low-income urban youth: Weeklong day camps on Lake Merced offer kayaking, sailing, science and environmental activities. Ages 8-15; ability to swim strongly preferred but not mandatory. Groups must commit to the full week of camp. Program run by the SFSU Department of Recreation, Parks and Tourism.

### **San Francisco Zoo**

**Contact:** *Stella Egar, 415/753-7122*  
Sloat Boulevard at Great Highway, Outer Sunset District/Beach

Free to programs funded by SFUSD or DCYF: Arrange tours at least two weeks in advance. 1-5 ratio of adults to children/youth required. Additional adults pay admission fee. Grades 1-12.

[www.sfzoo.org](http://www.sfzoo.org)

### **University of California San Francisco Outdoor Programs Kayak Adventure**

**Contact:** *Kirk McLaughlin, 415/502-2121*  
Mission Creek, Mission Bay/South of Market

Free under scholarship program: Take your group on an urban aquatic adventure! UCSF Outdoor Programs has 440 full-scholarship spots for sea kayaking outings on Mission Creek for young people over 8 years old. Make arrangements directly with the program. Ability to swim strongly preferred but not mandatory.