

NapaLife -

For those who live in Napa Valley – and those who wish they did

#### An Insider's Look at Napa Valley

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## Belong and Paper Planes open The River Club in Tannery

Belong Wine Co. and Paper Planes wines opened a shared wine-tasting facility called The River Club on the Napa River in Napa's Tannery District on Friday.

The new tasting room is another small step in developing the two Tannery properties in south Napa. Ever since I started writing about Napa more than two decades ago, I've heard ambitious and promising plans. I still think it could transform Napa by creating an artistic and creative center including computerbased businesses.

The owners of the tasting room are Alli and Bertus van Zyl of Belong Wine, and Laura and Kyle Gabriel of Paper Planes. The River Club is open Thursday to Monday between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.



It's not far from Vinoce's tasting room. It's the second reasonably priced tasting room to open recently; the other is Michael Pozzan a block north of Main Street.

All guests are hosted by the winemakers and owners at The River Club. They encourage reservations. Text 707-234-5814 to see if they can accommodate you. The cost is \$25 per person. Email hello@theriverclubnapa.com.

Kids and pets are welcome but let the hosts know in advance.

The River Club, 101 S Coombs St., Unit 8, Napa, 707-234-5814, riverclubnapa

#### Feast It Forward going private

Enjoy events at Feast It Forward the rest of the year, for seven years after this event space opened to the public in Napa, it is becoming what founder Katie Shafer calls Napa's only private social club.

We'll tell you more when we learn it.

#### **Entrecot sold**

A sign in the window of Entrecot Argentine Grille in the Riverfront shows an application for an ABC license to sell alcohol, and it also reveals a new owner, Ruby & Roxy Estate LLC, along with a new name, Phoenix Ultra Lounge,. The owners of Fairfield-based Ruby & Roxy Estate LLC are Cameron W. Heaston and Ming Chan.

The restaurant had been for sale for some time by former owner, manager and architect Gonzalo Barrado. I remains open – but closed Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Though seemingly a very desirable location on the river, two other spaces are empty next door, Ærena Galley, which moved to the former visitor center behind it on Main Street, and a former bicycle shop, perhaps not the best location for that business.



#### Michoacan ice cream shop comes to Napa

A franchise for La Michoacana Plus ice cream will soon open next to Right On Records in the Lucky shopping center at California and Lincoln. The space was formerly a Subway.

It specializes in flavors from Michoacan, the ancestral home of most people of Mexican heritage in Napa Valley.

You can find more about the goodies – if not the local store – at michoacanaplus.com.

La Michoacana Plus, 2375 California Blvd., Napa

#### Rory's Bakehouse adding storefront

Rory's Bakehouse has gained a following for its bake-athome pastries, cookies and other (un)baked goods.

They will deliver or you can pick up on Thursday from 11 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. or on Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Lola's shopping center at Old Sonoma Road and Foothill Drive.

Rory says they will not become a bakery due to her bake-at-home philosophy, but they will offer its



signature giant chocolate chip cookie and a changing selection of other pre-baked items. They will also have a full menu of ready-to-bake treats without the need for preorders.

Rory's Bakehouse, 2766 Old Sonoma Road, Napa, www.rorysbakehouse.com, www.instagram.com/rorysbakehouse, 650-400-9325, rory@rorysbakehouse.com

#### Calistoga Harvest Table

There may be some tickets left for the Calistoga Chamber of Commerce Calistoga Harvest Table on Sunday, Sept. 8, at 5 p.m. Sit at a 1,000-foot-long table featuring menus from 12 local restaurants and wines from 16 wineries. Tickets cost \$150 to \$200 at visitcalistoga.com.

Email info@visitcalistoga.com or call 707-942-6333 if you have questions. They are also looking for volunteers.

#### This week's specials at Foodshed

Each week, Foodshed offers specials in addition to customer favoritese for dining in, take-out or delivery. Sign up with them to learn each week's specials.

- Beets, heirloom tomatoes, burrata, avocado and pine nuts
- Brussels sprouts, walnuts and pecorino cheese
- Farro with basil and walnut pesto, cherry tomatoes and yellow wax beans
- Piel de Sapo melon, watermelon, feta, mint
- Fig and goat cheese with arugula, hazelnuts and balsamic glaze
- Hawaiian pizza
- Fresh tomato gazpacho
- Arancini of cacio e pepe with corn
- Tomato and bacon risotto

Order at www.foodshedorders.com.

Foodshed Take Away, 3385 Old California Way, Napa, www.foodshedpizza.com

#### Silver Trident pizza and wine pairing

Pizza and wine go together nicely, and Silver Trident wines is now offering a wine pairing with five pizzett3 with seasonal, locally sourced toppings on a crispy Detroit-style crust.

"Each of the pairings is designed to bring out the complex nuances of our small production wines," says proprietor Bob Binder.

- Butternut squash, feta, basil and hot honey paired with 2023 Rosé of Pinot Noir, Apollo's Folly
- Goat cheese, golden beet, red onion and mint paired with 2023 Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley, Symphony no. 9
- Duck confit, spiced plum-tomato sauce and arugula paired with 2022 Pinot Noir, Russian River Valley, The Benevolent Dictator
- Red wine braised short rib, garlic confit, fennel paired with 2021 Red Blend, Napa Valley, Playing with Fire
- King trumpet mushroom, raclette, charred pearl onion and tarragon paired with 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, Twenty Seven Fathoms

This private hosted 60-minute experience is \$80 per guest, with the fee waived with each six-bottle purchase. Reservations are required at www.silvertridentwinery.com.

Silver Trident Winery Tasting Home. 6484 Washington St., Yountville, 707-945-0311

## **Retailing news**



#### Don't steal flowers from Thief Farms

Thief Farms, an auspicious name, has opened a small honor farm stand at 1123 Massa Drive near Linda Vista and West Pueblo in Westwood.

They plan partnerships with other local flower farmers in Napa, Dahlia Saturdays and more.

The stand is open dawn to dusk, is self-serve and you can pay via cash, Venmo or credit card.

Look for the flowers sign at the end of the drive on the left and head down the gravel driveway.

Sign up for notifications via www.instagram.com/flower.

#### Lip Lab is open

Lip Lab is now open in First Street Napa. The Salon's experts guide you through the process of creating your own custom lipsticks (\$65), high-shine glosses (\$55), or butter balms (\$45), each tailored to your style and preferences. Select from a variety of finishes like matte, satin, sheer, or balm and dream up a lipstick for your individual style. Enhance it with flavor by



choosing from options like vanilla, pomegranate, mango or mint. Lip Lab, 1300 First St., Suite 378, Napa, www.liplab.com, 707-664-7455



## Happy hours and specials plus corkage at restaurants

We've been trying to find good deals at restaurants for locals (and knowing visitors), and here's one result: It's the next group of updated happy hours and specials in Napa County. Many of the happy hour specials look like a full meal to me, in fact.

Juanita Diana Feeney checked them and all are up to date.

This week, we list those in downtown Napa excluding the Oxbow District, which we included a few weeks ago. And yes, I know it's a long list but look at the deals!

We earlier covered Yountville, Oakville, Rutherford, St. Helena and Calistoga. Next week, we'll wind up with restaurants outside downtown Napa plus American Canyon.

The whole list is integrated into one massive file at www.napalife.com/specials.pdf. We've removed any earlier listings that have not been verified recently.

Juanita has also updated corkage charges. See www.napalife.com/corkage.pdf.

We want to keep it up to date. Please send changes – corrections, additions or deletions to Juanita Diana Feeney at jdianafeeney@gmail.com and send a copy to me at paul@napalife.com.

All of the happy hours are from 4 to 6 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

#### Napa

#### Daily

**Alba at the River Terrace Inn** 4-8 p.m. Bar menu includes charcuterie board, bahn mi sandwich, tacos, rainbow salad, wings, churros, burger, fries no drink specials

**Cadet** (except Wednesday & Sunday) Power Hour 5-6 p.m. Half-priced wine by the glass and draft beer

Carpe Diem Discounts on small bites and drinks

**Chispa** 3-5 p.m. House Margarita, nectarine jalapeño Margaritas, Clarified Paloma \$10, 20% off wine (glasses & bottles), \$2 oysters (min 6), fried calamari

**Downtown Joe's** Monday – Thursday in Tap Room only. Friday happy hour everywhere. Well cocktails, shooters and mocktails, house beer, house wines, Louse Taster Set \$4.95. Food: Buffalo wings, potato skins, corn riblets, garlic fries, Caesar salad, nachos, chicken quesadilla \$7.95

**Jax White Mule** 3-6 p.m. Mimosa, Jax Mule Margarita, paloma, sparkling by the glass \$7, Mumm sparkling \$9, Wine (Peju, New Age, Joel Gott \$7, Pinot (Mark West \$9, beignets \$6, tots, guacamole, chicken wings, truffle fries \$8, Manny fries \$10, shrimp tacos (2) \$10, shrimp cocktail \$16

**Mercantile Terrace & Mercantile Social at Andaz Hotel** 4-10 p.m. Spiced nuts \$10, olives \$10, tater tots \$16, cheese and charcuterie \$28, deviled eggs \$14, tacos \$16, fries \$12, garlic truffle fries \$16

**Slanted Door** 3-5 p.m. At bar and outside patio. shrimp & garlic dumplings \$9, imperial rolls, chicken steam buns \$10, hamachi tartare and chicken wings \$12. Select beer, cocktails and wine \$7-\$12

**ZuZu Late Night** 10 p.m.-close: spiced almons or olives \$6, Serrano ham bocadillo \$16, fire roasted mussels \$18, fire roasted shrimp \$20, croquets \$12, albondigas \$16, chimichurri flat-iron steak \$22, patatas \$12, garum on toast with Manchego cheese \$10

#### **Monday-Friday**

**Barnhouse Napa Brews** 3:30-5:30 p.m. Draft beers \$5, \$2 off glasses of wine and \$1 off English pies

**Be Bubbly** Bubble Hours 5 to 6 p.m. extended to 7 p.m. on Mondays for locals and industry. 20% off by the glass, \$10 Aperol spritz and \$6 beer; Bistro bites \$6-\$12. *Mention NapaLife and you get Sea Salt Chips with your purchase of bubbly* 

**Bounty Hunter** 3-6 p.m. \$3 off Guinness, Wehenstephaner, Pranster Belgian Ale, and rotating beers. \$2 off reg price cocktails, \$7 2 oz well pour, \$8 Brut Cava, \$7 Alberiño or Pinot Noir, \$8 Zin, blue cheese chips \$7, smoked wings \$8, rib & slaw appetizer \$8, BBQ sampler plate \$14

Compline 3-5:30 \$10 wines by the glass, \$10 duck fries

**Don Périco** 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Cocktails \$8-\$11, tequila shots \$6, beer \$6, wine \$8. Lunch specials 11 a.m.-2 p.m. \$15 including drink

**Eiko's** 4 to 5:30 p.m. Dine-in only. Edamame, avocado roll (8pc) avocado, veggie roll (6pc) \$5; Sweet & spicy edamame, blackened edamame, Healthy fries: tempura green beans, California roll (8 pc), tempura shishito peppers, poke roll (8pc) \$6; spicy tuna or hamachi roll, salmon and avocado roll \$9; hamachi jalapeño sashimi (4 pc), teriyaki chicken wings (4 pc), Eiko's fried calamari, Sanchez roll, tempura scallop roll, fried gyoza (6 pc) shrimp or pork \$10; 1/2 dozen Tomales Bay oysters \$15

Drink specials include Coors Lite \$4, craft and import draft \$5, well drinks \$8, glass of red or white wine \$9, 10-oz carafe of hot or cold sake

**Folklore** 3-5 p.m. Smoked trout on flatbread \$12, Philly pretzel \$6, popcorn or olives \$6, sardine, tuna or mackerel with mustard and cornichons \$12, Little Gem salad \$15, merguez sausage hot dog \$17, tarte flambe \$22, flatbread with hen of the woods \$22

**Kitchen Door** 4-5:30 p.m. \$2 off draft beer, cider on tape and wines on tap. \$10 house Margarita, \$10 Sparking wines, chips & dip \$7, wings \$11, burger and beer \$12, Margherita pizza \$16, sausage pizza or mushroom pizza \$20,95, garlic cheesy bread \$11

**Los Agaves** Happy hour at the bar noon-5 p.m. guacamole \$10, ceviche \$12, street tacos \$3 ea, nachos \$9, taquitos \$8, power bowl \$12, house Margarita \$8, domestic beer \$3, imported beer \$4, Charles Krug Sauvignon Blanc \$8, Rolando Blanc \$9

**Napa Palisades** 3-6 p.m. Palisades Beer \$6, Salon Mule, Watermelon Fi, Mai Tai, Old Fashioned \$9, wine white, rose or red \$8. Bites: beer and balls \$8, slider \$6, ceviche \$6, street taco \$, pretzel bites \$7, tuna poke tostada \$9, wings \$7, plus weekday specials:

- Mule Monday: meatball slider \$4, Saloon Mule \$6
- Tequila Tuesday: street tacos \$2.50, Tequila shots \$6, house Margarita \$8
- Whiskey Wednesday: JC's nachos \$6, Elijah Criag Old Fashioned \$6
- Throw 'em Back Thursday: NPS Pint \$5, Buffalo wings \$1 per wing
- Fizzy Friday: Chorizo Fries \$6, Watermelon Fizz

**Norman Rose** 3-6 p.m. \$5 draft beers, a \$2 discount on wine and select appetizers and cocktails such as onion rings \$5, sliders \$9, and wings \$9, though they vary.

**The Q Restaurant & Bar** 50% off all alcoholic beverages (Specialty cocktails not included) Food: guac and chips \$8, Pimento cheese dip \$10, taco selections \$10-\$14, Asian sticky ribs \$12

### Monday to Thursday

**Azzurro Pizzeria** white and red wine by the glass, beers, meatballs, arancini and pizza at special prices. \$2 off select wine and beers

**Napkins Bar & Grill** 3-6 p.m. Well drinks \$8, mojito, Margarita \$12, beer \$6, wine \$8. Food: burrata salad \$15, crispy calamari \$12, ahi poke \$14, Caesar salad \$10, wings \$12, mixed green salad \$10, burger \$14, linguini shrimp \$22, sea salt fries \$6, garlic fries \$6, garlic bread \$7, corn bread \$6, mac and cheese \$9

**Tarla** 3-6 pm. Greek fries \$5, zucchini cakes \$7, Greek dip trio \$9, mac & cheese \$7, spanakopita \$8, olives or hummus \$7, fritto misto \$12, house wines \$7, bottle beers \$5, well cocktails \$8, sangria \$8, draft beer \$5

### **Tuesday through Friday**

**Osha Thai** 5-7 p.m. Truffle fries \$9, chicken wings \$10, beef jerky \$11, Local house wines \$8, Special prices for cocktails \$9, Sinha beer \$5, Tom Yum craft beer \$7, signature cocktails \$14

**Torc** 5-6p.m. wines by the glass \$6, Double IPA, Pilsner, lager, stout \$5, deviled eggs, sweet potato pakora, roasted almonds, marinated olives \$6, special cocktails \$8

### Wednesday through Friday

**Napa Valley Bistro** 3:30-5:30 Wings, crispy calamari, Mexican shrimp \$8, street tacos \$7, crispy Brussel sprouts, garlic fries, Ozzie's Fries \$7, fried prawns \$9, sangria \$7, Pabst Blue Ribbon \$4, hard cider \$4, Arnold Palmer and sodas \$3

**Wilfred's Lounge** 3-5 p.m. fried pickles \$7, chicken wings, smoked salmon Rangoons, Spam sliders, coconut shrimp \$9; Pink Palace \$9, Pahulu \$9, Blue Hawaii \$9, Tahitian Punch \$9, mocktail \$6, wines \$7-\$8, lager \$6, West Coast IPA \$6, apple cider \$7

#### Thursday through Monday

**Charlie Palmers Steak** 4-7 p.m. All small plates half off, house wine and cocktails \$10, Well spirits \$7, draft beer \$5, Fernet-Branca \$2

#### Friday and Saturday

Morimoto Asia 9-11 p.m. Late-night reduced price menu

#### Friday

Benevolent Neglect Wines \$9 wines by the glass. 6-8 p.m.

Charlie Palmer Steak in Archer Hotel \$2.50 oysters

Robert Mondavi Arch & Tower Golden Hour 4-7 p.m. Napa Neighbors 20% off

Wilfred's Friday Lunch Specials. 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

#### Sunday through Thursday

**Sky & Vine** – Reverse happy hour 8-10 p.m. Small plates like shishito peppers, impossible siders, truffle fries, fried pickles, \$8. Sparkling white or red \$10, cocktail on tap \$10, Monday – oysters \$2.50 (minimum 4), Tuesday taco and tequila \$2.50 tequila cocktails \$10, Wednesday wings (minimum 6 \$1.50 each and maximum 24 per table

Please email changes to happy hour specials and corkage to to jdianafeeney@gmail.com with a copy to paul@napalife.com.

## Blue Note Summer Sessions: Groove Summit this weekend

Blue Note Summer Sessions bring Groove Summit to the Meritage Resort this weekend for a two-day outside party with The Fearless Flyers, Lettuce, Fred Wesley and the New JB's, Tower of Power and Ghost-Note.



On Saturday, Aug. 24, is the Northern California debut of The Fearless Flyers a powerhouse quartet has been making waves with their virtuosic musicianship and high-energy live performances. It starts at 3:30 p.m.

Lettuce is a genre-busting six-member musical collective formed in 1992 by four alumni of the Berklee College of Music.

It combines funk with strains of hip-hop, rock, psychedelia, jazz, soul,



jam, go-go and the avant-garde.



Bandleader, trombonist and author Fred Wesley is one of the forefathers of funk, still setting the standard with his jazz-funk band, The New JBs.

Together for more than 30 years, the band performs hits such as "Pass the Peas" made with James Brown.

He was music director, arranger, trombonist and a primary composer for Brown from 1968-1975, then arranged for and played with Parliament-Funkadelic.

Groove Summit continues on Sunday with one of music's most enduring bands.



For more than 55 years, Tower of Power has delivered the best in funk and soul music. *Bump City*, their 1972 debut for Warner, netted them the hits "You're Still a Young Man" and "Down to The Nightclub."

Ghost-Note is an explosion of sound. Headed by Snarky Puppy's multi-Grammy–



winning percussion duo of Robert "Sput" Searight and Nate Werth, the band is pushing funk music into the future, building on the pioneering foundations laid out by the likes of James Brown and Sly & the Family Stone and infusing their fresh take with afrobeat, hip-hop, psychedelia and world folklore. The Meritage Resort, 850 Bordeaux Way, Napa, www.bluenotejazz.com/napa

## The performing arts

#### Music in the Vineyards concerts this week

Music in the Vineyards' 30th anniversary season continues until Aug. 25 with performances at local wineries.

Explore memorabilia from the last 30 years at every concert, including a photo archive and the MITV trivia contest.

Here are the concerts this week:

- Wednesday, Aug. 21 The Isidore Quartet. Outdoor. 6 p.m. Pre-concert talk 7 p.m. Performance Hudson Ranch, 5398 Sonoma Highway, Napa. \$100
- Friday Aug. 23 Haydn, Mozart and a pair of Pulitzer Prize-winners. 7 p.m. \$85 Silverado Vineyards, 6121 Silverado Trail, Napa
- Saturday, Aug. 24 Brahms Piano Quintet, sold out
- Sunday, Aug. 25 Espléndido! From Bach to Brazil. 30th Anniversary Celebration Night. 5 p.m.\$400. Inglenook, 1991 St Helena Highway, Rutherford

Visit www.musicinthevineyards.org for full festival details and tickets. For more information, call 707-258-5559 or e-mail info@musicinthevineyards.org.

Music in the Vineyards is also holding an online auction. Bid now through Aug. 26 on more than 30 e-lots including trips, experiences, art and wine.

#### View auction items here.

#### Coming up with Broadway and Vine

Broadway and Vine continues its shows with top Broadway singers performing here in Napa Valley:

- Wednesday, Aug. 28: Aaron Lazar in "The Impossible Dream" at Tre Posti Vineyards
- Monday, Sep 23: Shoshana Bean at Tre Posti Vineyards
- Sunday, Oct. 13: Alan Cumming in Uncut at Inglenook Vineyards

Tickets begin at \$95 and are on sale now at www.broadwayandvine.org.

#### Murder Mystery tours on the Wine Train

The Napa Valley Wine Train has launched Murder Mystery Tours in partnership with The Murder Mystery Co.

Through November, the tours feature themes that encourage passengers to get creative with their costumes and clue-solving skills, whether they're dressed in wedding attire for the "Till Death Do Us Part" on Sept. 21, getting their hands dirty while looking their best for the Old-Hollywood whodunnit "Best Laid Plans" on Oct. 5 or time



traveling to the 1920s for the "Death of a Gangster" on Nov. 16.

The ride includes three courses of California cuisine plus a welcome toast of sparkling wine.

Napa Valley Wine Train,1275 McKinstry St., Napa, www.winetrain.com, 800-427-4124

## Lucky Penny announces exclusive pre-season fundraiser *Legally Brunette*

Lucky Penny Productions will celebrate the beginning of its new season with a special onewoman show titled *Legally Brunette: The Search for Myself,* written and performed by Natalie Lander.

This one-of-a-kind production will be live on stage at Lucky Penny for three performances Sept. 6, 7 and 8.

*Legally Brunette* is a one-woman musical based on the real-life experiences and actual journal entries from Lander's time on the MTV reality



show Legally Blonde: The Search for Elle Woods in 2008.

The show allows audiences to peek behind the curtain of the series as she tells her story through monologues and *Legally Blonde* songs with a twist.

The show premiered at 54 Below inside Studio 54 in New York in 2022 and was then featured at the Garry Marshall Theatre in Burbank in 2023.

Lander is the daughter of the late David Lander, who appeared in many films and TV Shows but most notably played Squiggy on *Laverne & Shirley*. She had roles in *The Middle*, *13 Reasons Why* and *9-1-1: Lone Star* among many roles in television and film.

Tickets for the fundraising presentation of *Legally Brunette: The Search for Myself* are on sale at www.luckypennynapa.com along with tickets for *Legally Blonde*, the first show in the upcoming season.

Following *Legally Blonde* comes the suspenseful comedy *Women in Jeopardy*, and for the holiday season the family friendly musical *Oliver!* based on Dickens' *Oliver Twist*.

The season continues in 2025 with *Love Letters, Reefer Madness, Other Desert Cities* and the 2025 update versions of Lucky Penny *Real Housewives of Napa Valley*.

Contact Lucky Penny at 707-266-6305 or email info@luckypennynapa.com.



#### Flynn Creek Circus at Calistoga Fairgrounds

Calistoga just bought the old county fairgrounds and it's not wasting time putting it to use.

The Flynn Creek Circus brings its all-human production The Heavy Lift, a comic Private detective story in the film noir style, to town Sept. 12 to 15.

When you enter the classic red and white big top, you feel nostalgia and charm.

The Heavy Lift is an original comic, film noir circus

featuring world-class acrobats, aerialists and variety entertainers. The private detective with his savvy assistant Patsy take on a mysterious case that leads them down a delightfully strange path.

Buy tickets at www.flynncreekcircus.com. Calistoga Fairgrounds, 1435 N. Oak St., Calistoga

# First Presbyterian Church of Napa: 150th anniversary celebration

Just in time to celebrate its 150th anniversary, the First Presbyterian Church of Napa has completed most of the repairs from a storm last February that ripped the copper roof off, leading to extensive damage.

That was on top of the earthquake that hit Napa on Aug. 24, 2014 and closed the church for two years for major repairs including straightening the steeple.

The church will celebrate with events on Saturday and Sunday.

A 150th anniversary concert, "The Past in Story and Song," is on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 3 to 5 p.m.

It will feature musical performances by noted organist and accompanist Tom Flesher, instrumentalist Kent Cohea and vocalist Suzanne Quinlan.

A dramatic presentation and storytelling by "Rev. Richard Wiley," will explore the building of the iconic church in 1874-1875.



First Presbyterian Church congregants will worship together on Sunday, Aug. 25, starting at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary to celebrate the 150th anniversary and the relaying of the original cornerstone at the corner of Third and Randolph in Napa.

Following the worship service, all are invited to continue the celebration in the gym with brunch, a photo booth and activities for kids.

First Presbyterian Church of Napa, 1333 Third St., Napa, fpcnapa.org, info@fpcnapa.org, 707-224-8693

## The visual arts

#### Napa Valley Open Studios Weekends plus Open Studio preview at Jessel Gallery

One of the top art attractions in Napa Valley is Open Studios weekends, which this year will be on Sept. 21 and 22 and 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. all over the valley.

Jessel Gallery also host an Open Studio preview reception on Friday, Sept. 6, from 5 to 8 p.m. inside the gallery and out.

You can meet the open studio artists and view original art created by each participating artist.

Jessel will also have artist demonstrations in the gallery and outside on Saturday, Sept. 7 and Sunday Sept. 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Jessel Gallery, 1019 Atlas Peak Road, Napa, www.jesselgallery.com, 707-257-2350



Open Studios brochure cover by Darlene Merle

## Sports and wellness

#### Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition hosts town hall meetings

The Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition will host five town hall community meetings to share news, updates and gather community feedback on the construction of the Vine Trail from Yountville to St. Helena, the last major remaining section of the Vine Trail.

Representatives from engineering consultants Kimley-Horn and RSA+, County of Napa, City of St. Helena, Town of Yountville and Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition will talk and take questions.

The five meetings:

- Aug. 19, 9:30 a.m., Yountville Community Center
- Aug. 20, noon via Zoom, bit.ly/zoom-vt-820
- Aug. 21, 4 p.m., Rutherford Grange Hall
- Aug. 22, 4 p.m., St. Helena Carnegie Building
- Aug. 23, noon, via Zoom, bit.ly/zoom-vt-823

Those unable to attend are invited to take the Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition survey and provide comment via the organization's website. www.vinetrail.org.



## Pickleball courts and soccer pitch coming to South Century Center

If you've wondered about all that unused space at the South Napa Century Center by the movie theater, at least some will soon find a good use.

Jennifer Huffman in the *Napa Valley Register* reports that four pickleball courts and a soccer field are coming to the South Napa Century Center.

The Gasser Foundation wants to install the amenities on two separate empty plots at the site,

according to an application to the city. The soccer pitch would be at the corner of Gasser Drive and Hartle Court, next to the movie theaters.

The pickleball courts would be located almost in the middle of the center, near the movie theater entrance in front of KVYN/KVON studios.

The regulation-sized pickleball courts would be enclosed by 10-foot-high black cyclone fencing, according to the application. The courts would be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. or sunset, whichever is earlier. They will not be lit.

The Napa United Soccer Club will use the soccer field. It will be about 60 feet wide and 120 feet long and will feature 3-foot-high rebound boards and 10-foot-high black cyclone fencing.

The soccer field will include LED lighting, as well as a trash and restroom area on the northwest side of the pad.

Napa United would hold practice for younger players on the field five days a week from 4 to 8 p.m. Some 20 to 30 youth players would train at a time, with a total of three practices per night.

The city of Napa doesn't have any soccer-specific fields.

Besides youth players, the soccer pitch might be available for other uses.

## Good works and benefits

#### Napa Valley Vintners donates \$2.5 million more to youth mental health

The Napa Valley Vintners has donated \$2.5 million youth mental health programs for school-age children. The vintners worked with a third-party company to help determine where its donations could make the most impact.

The Youth Mental Health initiative's goals are to ensure that every child in Napa County has access to affordable, quality mental health services, provide parents and community members with education and tools to identify when outside help is needed, develop wellness hubs on school campuses and strengthen collaboration between schools, local government and nonprofits.

Earlier this year, the vintners committed \$1 million to help build the Mentis campus that will act as a central hub for mental health in Napa County. Over 40 plus years, the vintners have donated more than \$230 million to health services in Napa County

Here are the recipients:

- \$1 million Shine Napa Valley is a collaborative that enables youth mental health providers to have a collective impact in Napa Valley.
- \$300,000 Aldea offers bilingual mental health and drug and alcohol services.
- \$300,000 Mentis provides bilingual affordable mental health services.
- \$300,000 On The Move offers programming that challenges inequities and supports vulnerable community members.
- \$300,000 Napa Valley Education Foundation provides programs to increase student performance, inspire teacher innovation and build engagement.
- \$300,000 UpValley Family Center is the primary trusted resource for lowincome communities in northern Napa Valley.



#### 32nd annual Hands Across the Valley

The 32nd annual Hands Across the Valley will be on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 5 to 10 p.m. at Charles Krug Winery in St. Helena.

It features a walk-around tasting with vintners, chefs and restaurateurs, silent and live auctions, and a VIP dinner provided by chef Elaine Bell.

New for 2024 is the Auction After Party, featuring a dessert station, coffee and afterdinner libations, as well as dancing under the

stars to DJ Rotten Robbie.

Former KTVU sports director Mark Ibanez will host the 2024 event with surprise celebrity guests, along with KCBS Foodie Chap Liam Mayclem and Kellie Fuller, who will lead the live auction to feed the hungry.

In its 31-year history, Hands Across the Valley has raised millions to benefit the Napa Valley's safety-net food programs, including the Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, The Table, Feeding it Forward, Molly's Angels and other nonprofit programs.

VIP Sponsor tables of 10 begin at \$5,000. Individual tickets are \$500 per person.

Buy tickets at www.handsacrossthevalley.com. Call 707-888-3332 for sponsor tables.

#### NEWS Happy Hour for Hope at Wilfred's Lounge

NEWS, the nonprofit agency providing domestic violence and sexual abuse services for Napa Valley, will hold its Happy Hour for Hope fundraiser at Wilfred's Lounge on Oct. 2, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Don your favorite aloha shirts and hula skirts for this Hawaiian-themed event, presented by Kaiser Permanente in October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Guests will be greeted with a lei and island tunes. Each ticket includes a welcome drink, passed pupus and entry into a raffle for wine.

Guests can bid on additional raffle prizes, like three-day passes to BottleRock 2025, an instant cellar and fun things to do around the Napa Valley. All prize donations support NEWS. Raffle tickets are \$50 apiece on the website or at the event.

Following their recent distinction as a Non-Profit of the Year, NEWS has a goal of raising net \$25,000 through ticket and raffle sales at the event.

The Happy Hour for Hope fundraiser is just one piece of NEWS' Domestic Violence Awareness Month campaign. NEWS will also host its annual "fund a need" to support its shelter's operations and provide emergency housing for domestic violence victims.

#### Harvest STOMP eAuction continues

Wine collectors from around the world can bid on rare bottles of Napa Valley wines, including Scarecrow, Harlan, Diamond Creek and Favia, as well as wine-focused adventure, travel and experiential lots at the Harvest Stomp eAuction, continuing through Thursday, Aug. 22.

It supports the missions of the Napa Valley Grapegrowers and the Napa Valley Farmworker Foundation.

All funds raised through the eAuction support the Grapegrowers' educational programs concentrated on enhancing quality, innovation and environmental stewardship, and the Farmworker Foundation's mission to provide education and career advancement opportunities for farmworkers and their families.

To register, visit www.harveststomp.com.

#### Napa Bookmine Literary Foundation

In January, the Napa Bookmine Literary Foundation's board made the unanimous decision to focus solely on its Books4Kids program, giving free books to first-graders throughout Napa County.

It also set a goal to put the funds raised via the Anne Anderson Fund to good use, extending its reach upvalley to St. Helena.

As a result of these decisions, they've been able to give free books to 700 students already this year, with plans to reach at least 500 more before the year's end.

To get books into the hands of 500 additional children by the end of the year, they need to raise some money. With the new school year officially underway, the time to donate is now.

Every donation of \$25 allows them to give five free books to a child who needs them. Consider donating today. Your generosity will have a life-long impact on the learning journeys of children in our community.

Do you want kids to learn only from NextDoor and X? Donate.

## This week in Napa Valley

#### Movies at the Cameo Cinema in St. Helena

Here are the films being shown this week at the Cameo Cinema:

- Monday, Aug. 19 CinemaBites: *Pepperwood: Rising from the Ashes* 5pm \$35
- Tuesday, Aug. 20 Film Class: *The Last Detail* 1 p.m. Special event with Francis Ford Coppolasold out
- Wednesday, Aug. 21 Daddio 2, 5 and 7:45 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 22 *Daddio* 5 and 7:45 p.m.
- Friday, Aug. 23 *It Ends With Us* 2, 5 and 7:45 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 24 *It Ends With Us* 2, 5 and 7:45 p.m.
- Sunday, Aug. 25 *It Ends With Us* 2 and 5 p.m.

Cameo Cinema, 1340 Main St., St. Helena, www.cameocinema.com

#### Fun at Folklore this week

Here are the events happening this week at Folklore:

- Monday, Aug. 19 Paint night with Monica, 6 p.m., \$35
- Tuesday, Aug. 20 Rock 'n' Roll movie night. *Yesterday* starts at 7 p.m. Free.
- Thursday, Aug. 22 Comedy with Fry'd Comedy, 8:30 p.m. Donations welcome.
- Sunday, Aug. 25 The House of Allure presents Drag Chateau. 1 p.m. \$10 fee.

Folklore, 1226 Third St., Napa, folklore-napa.com

## Monday, Aug. 19

#### Napa Neighbor menu at Charlie Palmer Steak

Charlie Palmer Steak's Napa Neighbor menu every Monday is a three-course menu for \$55, with wine pairing \$25 additional. It changes weekly. www.charliepalmersteak.com.

Charlie Palmer Steak at Archer Hotel, 1260 First St., Napa, 707-819-2500

#### Pepperwood: Rising from the Ashes at at the Cameo Cinema.

The next CinemaBites at the Cameo Cinema is on Monday, Aug. 19, features *Pepperwood: Rising from the Ashes.* A panel discussion follows with filmmaker Ian Nelson and knowledgeable representatives from the Pepperwood Preserve, Napa Firewise and the Napa County Resource Conservation District.

Executive chef Stephen Barber from Farmstead at Long Meadow Ranch will create summer bites to savor with the film using fresh organic ingredients grown at the Long Meadow Ranch Culinary Farm.

Buy tickets at www.cameocinema.com. Proceeds support the St. Helena Farmers Market's educational programs.

For information, visit www.sthelenafarmersmkt.org.

#### Monday, Aug. 19 — music and entertainment

Napa

- Downtown Joe's Industry karaoke night, 8-11 p.m., 902 Main St.
- Farm at Carneros Music, 6-9 p.m., 4048 Sonoma Highway.

Calistoga

- Calistoga Inn Alvon Johnson, 6-9 p.m., 1250 Lincoln Ave.
- Fleetwood Trivia, 6:30-8:30 p.m., 1880 Lincoln Ave.
- Johnny's –Trivia, 6-9 p.m., 1457 Lincoln Ave.
- Lincoln Avenue Brewery Bingo, 1473 Lincoln Ave.

## Tuesday, Aug. 20

#### Napa Tuesday Farmers Market

The Napa Farmers Market is held every Tuesday, 8 a.m. to noon, from April through December, at 1100 West St. at Pearl Street (and every Saturday throughout the year).

The market offers produce from local farmers, prepared food and drinks from local vendors, artisan goods and nonprofit organizations.

Parking is easier on Tuesdays and there's still plenty of produce and more to buy.

See www.napafarmersmarket.org for more information.

#### Film Class with David Garden: Hal Ashby's The Last Detail

The Cameo Cinema's film classes continue with David Garden discussing *The Last Detail* (1973) on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 1 p.m.

Jack Nicholson is a Navy Shore Patrol veteran taking Randy Quaid, a hapless jerk who stole from the poor box, from DC to the brig on an island in Portland Harbor. It's a poignant comedy tale of Nicholson trying to give Quaid a little life before jail.

Cameo Cinema, 1340 Main St., St. Helena, www.cameocinema.com, 707-963-9779

#### Finko – Bingo at the Fink

Every Tuesday is Finko (bingo) Night at The Fink. Join the fun of classic bingo with net proceeds benefiting a local charity. The cost is \$10 for 10 games. Enjoy prizes, finger food and distinctive drinks. Doors open at 4 p.m. and games start at 6 p.m.

The Fink, 530 Main St., Napa, thefinknapa.com



#### The Deep Basement Shakers at the Fink

The Deep Basement Shakers play the Fink after Finko on Tuesday, Aug. 20, from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

The Deep Basement Shakers bring to life vintage barrelhouse, early blues and roots music with a unique sound featuring old time piano, washboard and an arsenal of DIY percussion.

More information. The cover charge is \$5. The Fink, 530 Main St., Napa, thefinknapa.com

#### Tuesday, Aug. 20 — music and entertainment

Napa

- Andaz LGBTQ gathering on Mercantile Patio, 6-10 p.m., 1450 First St.
- Armistice Brewing Co. Bingo, 7 p.m., 1040 Clinton St.
- Barnhouse Brews Trivia, 6 p.m., 1004 Clinton St.
- Be Bubbly Trivia By Thew, 7-9 p.m., 1407 Second St.
- Downtown Joe's Karaoke night, 8-11 p.m., 902 Main St.
- The Fink Finko (Bingo), 6 p.m., 530 Main St.
- The Fink The Deep Basement Shakers, 8:30-10:30 p.m., 530 Main St.
- The Lincoln Karaoke night, 8 p.m., 505 Lincoln Ave.
- Palisades Saloon Music, 6-8 p.m., 1000 Main St.

Calistoga

- Busters Southern Barbecue Open mic for musicians, poets and comics hosted by Randy Foisy, 6-8 p.m., 1207 Foothill Blvd.
- Calistoga Inn Alvon Johnson, 6-9 p.m., 1250 Lincoln Ave.

## Wednesday, Aug. 21

#### **Cuban Street Food from Clif Family**

The Clif Family Bruschetteria Food Truck serves a Cuban-themed Street Food Napa Valley menu featuring a Cubano sandwich, ropa vieja and tostones on Aug. 21. There will be live music on the patio from 4 to 7 p.m.

It is a *Sip & Support Day* for the Napa Valley Farmworker Foundation, which supports vineyard workers through education and professional development. From noon to 7 p.m., Clif Family will donate 20% of all revenue from wine and food sales to support its work.

The Cuban menu, as well as regular food truck items and wine orders, will be for sale from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Savor your meal on the patio with a glass of wine or share a bottle with friends until 7 p.m., or grab takeout for home.

Order at www.cliffamilyfoodtruck.com, 707-301-7188 or in person at the food truck.

Clif Family, 709 Main St., St. Helena

#### Johanna Jensen and Jack Roberts of Keep Wines at Cadet

Johanna Jensen and Jack Roberts of Keep Wines will be at Cadet on Wednesday, Aug. 21, starting at 5 p.m.

Jensen and Roberts are back in Napa from tending to their family vineyard in Gascony, France, where they have also been living.

They continue to produce Keep Wines from organic Northern California vineyards, focusing on varieties such as Aligoté, Counoise and Pinot Meunier. Welcome them back to Napa and celebrate the start of their 15th California harvest.



Cadet Wine & Beer Bar, 930 Franklin St., Napa, www.cadetbar.com, 707-224-4400

#### Assyrtiko Masterclass with Tegan Passalacqua and Matt Stamp

Learn all about Greece's greatest white grape, Assyrtiko, and taste a selection of six wines from its home in Santorini and elsewhere at Compline Wine Shop on Wednesday, Aug. 21, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Discover the variety, its history, its native home and the excitement it holds for winemakers confronting a warmer world.

This is a seated, guided flight led by Tegan Passalacqua of Sandlands, who has just released his first Assyrtiko bottling, and Matt Stamp, who's been finding every excuse to return to Santorini for the better part of the last 10 years.

They'll pour six wines, Sandlands 2022 Assyrtiko and Jim Barry 2019 Assyrtiko from California and four from Santorini.

The cost is \$75 at complinewine.com.

Compline Wine Shop, 1300 First St. #319, Napa



#### Blue Note Summer Sessions: 30th anniversary Pink Martini tour

Blue Note Summer Sessions feature the 30th anniversary Pink Martini tour at the Meritage Resort on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 7 p.m.

In 1994 in his hometown of Portland, Oregon, Thomas Lauderdale founded Pink Martini, crossing genres of classical, jazz and oldfashioned pop.

One year later, Lauderdale asked a Harvard classmate, China Forbes, to join Pink Martini.

Their first songwriting collaboration was "Sympathique (Je ne veux pas travailler)" which

became an overnight sensation in France and is still the band's number one song.

Featuring a dozen musicians, with songs in 25 languages, Pink Martini performs its multilingual repertoire on concert stages on six continents. Pink Martini has released 11 studio albums, selling over 3 million worldwide.

The Meritage Resort, 850 Bordeaux Way, Napa, www.bluenotejazz.com/napa

#### Steel Pulse at the Uptown Theatre

JaM Cellars presents Steel Pulse at the Uptown Theatre on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 8 p.m.

Bearing witness to the accelerating negativity of global affairs, Steel Pulse emerges with musical vengeance to halt the disarray of humanity.

The band's 12th album, *Mass Manipulation*, reflects four decades helping mankind through music.

Steel Pulse continues engaging controversial topics of racial injustice and human rights on a global scale.

Uptown Theatre, 1350 Third St., Napa, www.uptowntheatrenapa.com, 707-259-0123



#### Elaine Jennings at The Fink

Elaine Jennings sings at the Fink on Wednesday, Aug. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Jennings' music selection covers an eclectic range of songs by Peggy Lee, Nora Jones and Adele, along with classic jazz from the Great American Songbook.

You can learn more about her and her singing at www.elainejennings.com. The cover charge is \$5.

The Fink, 530 Main St., Napa, thefinknapa.com

#### Wednesday, Aug. 21 — music and entertainment

Napa

- Andaz Aaron Sion, 7-11 p.m., 1450 First St.
- Armistice Brewing Co. Trivia, 7 p.m., 1040 Clinton St.
- Be Bubbly Be Bubbly Trivia By Thew, 7-9 p.m., 7-9 p.m., 1407 Second St.
- The Fink Elaine Jennings, 7:30-9:30 p.m., 530 Main St.
- The Meritage Resort Blue Note Summer Sessions: 30th anniversary Pink Martini tour, 7:30 p.m., 1030 Main St.
- Trade Brewing Bingo, 5:30 p.m., 731 First St.
- Uptown Steel Pulse, 8 p.m., 1350 Third St.

St. Helena

• Farmstead – Locals Night with wine, 4-7 p.m., 738 Main St.

Calistoga

- Calistoga Inn Tom Duarte, 6-9 p.m., 1250 Lincoln Ave.
- Fleetwood's Locals night, 1880 Lincoln Ave.
- Johnny's Open mic, 6-9 p.m., 1473 Lincoln Ave.

## Thursday, Aug. 22

#### Yountville Farmstand

The Yountville Farmstand, a small farmers market featuring Hoopes Farm produce and products, from other local artisan producers is open on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

It will be moving to the old elementary school site in the future at the café that will complement the gym planned there.

Yountville Community Center, 6516 Washington St., Yountville

#### NapaLife live on KVYN

Every Thursday morning at 7:30 a.m., I join Barry Martin, host of Wine Country Live, on KVYN 93.3 FM, to discuss the top stories from this week's *NapaLife*.

Taylor Bartolucci is there, too.

Sometimes we drop a scoop or two.

Listen at www.993thevine.com or at 99.3 MHz.





#### Friends of the American Canyon Library Book sale

Friends of the American Canyon Library hosts its semi-annual Donation Day sale at the library on Thursday, Aug. 22, from noon to 5 p.m. Offerings include used hardbound and softcover books, DVDs, books on CD, music CDs and puzzles.

The sale continues Friday and Saturday, Aug. 23 and 24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

American Canyon Library, 300 Crawford Way, American Canyon www.FriendsofAmCanLibrary.com

#### **Makers Market Locals Night**

Makers Market in First Street Napa holds a weekly Locals Night every Thursday during August. It features discounts for locals, local makers and artisans and in-store wine tastings from 3 to 8 p.m.

Makers Market, First Street Napa, 1300 First St., Suite 301, Napa, www.makersmarket.us, 707-637-4637

#### Ellie James at Be Bubbly

Be Bubbly features singer Ellie James on Thursday, Aug. 22, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Ellie James mixes lush indie-pop sounds with her rock 'n' roll background. She has been performing all over the world for more than 10 years, most recently opening for Colbie Caillat and Tim Flannery, and playing at Hollywood's famous Viper Room and San Francisco's Cafe du Nord.

Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.

Be Bubbly, 1407 Second St., Napa, www.bebubblynapa.com

#### Napa Valley Community Market

Napa Yard at Oxbow Gardens hosts the Napa Valley Community Market on Thursday, Aug. 22, from 5 to 8 p.m. and the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

Vendors include local farmers and makers/artisans.

You can also enjoy food, drinks and play at Napa Yard.

Napa Yard-Oxbow Gardens, 585 First St., Napa

#### New kids on the block at Outer Space

Thad and Emily took over a shop that was light on inventory, and they have filled it up. Come in Thursday, Aug. 22, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and taste some of their new favorite wines.

Some are from Europe and some are from right down the street, but they're all special, small production wines.

Outer Space Wines, 974 Franklin St., Napa, outer space wine

#### Savor the magic of vineyard nights at Harvest Inn

The Harvest Table at Harvest Inn hosts a vineyard dinner with Whitehall Lane Winery on Thursday, Aug. 22, at 5:30 p.m. The dinner costs \$150 at www.harvestinn.com.

Harvest Inn, 1 Main St., St. Helena, 707-963-9463



#### Farm Fest at Carneros Resort and Spa

Carneros Resort and Spa presents Farm Fest, a family-friendly festival of live music and BBQ at Farm Pavilion at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 22.

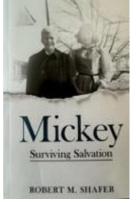
Savor Big Green Egg BBQ favorites reception-style with open seating available at Farm Pavilion and gathering tables. A glass of Napa Valley wine will be included, with a cash bar for more wine, beer and cocktails at Farm Pavilion, Post tasting room or Market.

The Brian Cline Trio will play. Lawn activities include bocce, chess and horseshoes.

Tickets are \$75 at carnerosresort.com. Children pay \$25.

Carneros Resort, 4048 Sonoma Highway, Napa

#### Mickey: Surviving Salvation at Bookmine:



Bookmine presents Cyndy Shafer, daughter of the late Robert M. Shafer, author of *Mickey and Mickey: Surviving Salvation* on Thursday, Aug. 22, from 6 to 7 p.m.

*Mickey: Surviving Salvation* is the sequel to *Mickey: The Giveaway Boy.* Robert (Mickey) Shafer died in 2020. His daughter Cyndy will read from his posthumously published second book and hold a Q&A on the story of Mickey, an abandoned and abused child who would later publish his first book at the age of 77.

*Mickey: Surviving Salvation* is the story of a boy shaped by abandonment and abuse, who returns to his estranged mother at age

12 and has to figure out how to survive in her new life.

Based on the author's real-life childhood, Mickey tries to find his place amidst poverty, suffering and religious self-righteousness in the 1950s.

This event is free, but they appreciate your **RSVP** so they can plan for your attendance.

Napa Bookmine, 1625 Second St., Napa, www.napabookmine.com

#### Iron Shaker competition moves to Copia

After the fire that damaged Napa Valley Distillery and the Hollywood Room, the Iron Shaker cocktail competition will move to the Chuck Williams Culinary Arts Museum at the CIA at Copia on Thursday, Aug. 22, from 6 to 9 p.m.

The Iron Shaker will be hosted by journalist, former baseball player and winemaker Adam Housley. Judges include Anthony Attanasio, Eduardo Dingler, Damon Boelte and Tamera Mowry-Housley. Music will be provided by DJ Rotten Robbie. Tickets are \$65.

CIA at Copia, 500 First St., Napa, www.ciafoodies.com

#### Lingua Franca tasting at Compline

Join Master Sommelier and Lingua Franca founder Larry Stone for a walkaround tasting featuring six wines from his Willamette Valley estate on Thursday, Aug. 22, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Lingua Franca is in Eola-Amity Hills in the Willamette Valley of Oregon. Under the guidance of Meursault vigneron and Oregon enthusiast Dominique Lafon and regenerative viticulturist Mimi Casteel, Stone and winemaker Thomas Savre have crafted some exceptional wines in Oregon.

The cost is \$50 at complinewine.com.

Compline Wine Shop, 1300 First St., Ste 319, Napa



#### Radio Bobcat at the Fink

Radio Bobcat brings spirited Americana rock 'n' roll from Northern California to the Fink on Thursday, Aug. 22, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Seasoned musicians and performers Shane Soldinger, Joe Shotwell, Jack Hines and Josh Yenne deliver high-energy performances packed with impressive original material as well as

covers. See www.radiobobcat.com.

The cover charge is \$5.

The Fink, 530 Main St., Napa, thefinknapa.com

#### Stella Heath & Bandjango Collectif at the Blue Note

The Blue Note presents Stella Heath and the Bandjango Collectif on Thursday, Aug. 22, at 8 p.m.

Bandjango Collectif (formerly known as French Oak) is a wild-around-the-edges experience, melding French gypsy jazz and chanson, New Orleans jazz, global traditional and folk music.



North Bay native and vocalist Stella Heath leads this band.

Blue Note, 1030 Main St., Napa, www.bluenotejazz.com/napa

#### Thursday, Aug. 22 — music and entertainment

Napa

- Be Bubbly– Ellie James, 7-9 p.m., 1407 Second St.
- Blue Note Stella Heath and the Bandjango Collectif, 8 p.m., 1030 Main St.
- Carneros Resort Brian Cline Trio, 6 p.m., 4048 Sonoma Highway
- Cuvaison Bailey Callahan, 4-7 p.m., 1221 Duhig Road
- Downtown Joe's DJ, 9:30 p.m., 902 Main St.
- Elks Lodge Open mic, 6:30 p.m., 2840 Soscol Ave.
- The Fink Radio Bobcat, 7:30-9:30 p.m., 530 Main St.
- JaM Music Studio Chance McCauley, 9-11 p.m., 1460 First St.
- Jax White Mule Diner Trivia, 1122 First St.
- Naysayer Coffee Trivia, 6-8 p.m., 1813 Old Sonoma Road
- Silverado Resort Helios Band, 6-8 p.m., 1600 Atlas Peak Road
- Sky & Vine Bar on Archer Hotel Mark Harold, John Wheeler & Tom Miller, 8 p.m., 1230 First St.

Yountville

- Hotel Villagio music, 5:30 p.m., 6481 Washington St.
- North Block Hotel— David Ronconi, 6-9 p.m., 6757 Washington St.
- Priest Ranch Jeff Suburu/Nervo Duo, 6-9 p.m., 6488 Washington St.

Calistoga

• Calistoga Inn – Tom Duarte, 6-9 p.m., 1250 Lincoln Ave.

## Friday, Aug. 23

#### St. Helena Farmers' Market

St. Helena Farmers' Market is held in Crane Park every Friday from 7:30 a.m. to noon until Oct. 25.

Growers offering summer produce this week include Arceo Ranch, Beffa Springs, Devoto Gardens, Far West Fungi, Gerard'Z Honeybees, Long Meadow Ranch, Neufeld Farms, On the Bright Side Flower Farm, Rainwater Ranch, Sun Strawberry, Triple T Ranch & Farm, Tu Universo Farms and Vincent's Patch.

Napa Belle Baking will be back at the market this week.

Bring the kids to the story time and songs at 9:30 a.m. with board members Ann Costelloe and Michael Caldarola.

Christina Prendergast of Fantasy Faces face painting will be there from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Check out We Care Animal Rescue, Paulin Center for the Arts and the Rianda House to learn about their programs and how you can help them.

Don't forget the new ladybug merchandise and monarch butterfly, tractor and "Make Every Day Earth Day" merchandise at the general store. Enjoy coffee and pastries from Naysayer Coffee Roasters. See www.sthelenafarmersmkt.org.

St. Helena Farmers' Market, 360 S. Crane Ave., St. Helena, 707-912-7401

#### Wines of the Rhône at Back Room Wines

Back Room Wines pours wines of the Rhône Valley on Friday, Aug. 23, from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m..

The tasting costs \$30.

Back Room Wines, 1000 Main St., Napa (enter on First), www.backroomwines.com

## Adam Hawley and Julian Vaughn at the Blue Note

The Blue Note presents Adam Hawley and Julian Vaughn on Friday, Aug, 23, at 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Adam Hawley and Julian Vaughn will feature a selection of their 20+ Billboard #1 Jazz Hits and some favorites from EWF,

Stevie, Gap Band, Whispers and Kool and the Gang.

Guitarist Adam Hawley has burst onto the contemporary jazz scene as a celebrated and innovative artist, composer and band leader. Handpicked by Maurice White, founder of Earth, Wind and Fire, he first debuted on the legend's label Kalimba Music.

In 2020 Vaughn was the #2 Artist of the year and had the #2 and #17 Billboard songs of the year, "Afro Calypso" and "Afternoon Delight."

Blue Note, 1030 Main St., Napa, bluenotejazz.com/napa





#### **Croatian wines at Outer Space Wines**

Outer Space Wines pours a dozen wines from Croatia on Friday, Aug. 23, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Join Dr. Elizabeth Smith, the California brand ambassador for Croatian Wine Imports to taste through 12 Croatian wines, Grks, Pošips, Malvazijas, Plavka and more.

It's a great way to explore an under-the-radar Mediterranean wine region that gave us Mike Grgich.

Outer Space Wines, 974 Franklin St., Napa, outerspace.wine, 707-657-7401

#### Love & Power; Myth & Mystery

*The Patriarch* by Shayne Kennedy is the final offering in the Valley Players' Summer Staged Reading Series on Aug. 23 at 7 p.m.

The deep Irish roots of a Chicago family are revealed to be rotten when their much-loved patriarch does what he feels he must to keep his family's legacy intact. The newest member-to-be finds herself parsing through Chicago heritage and Celtic myth in an attempt to reconcile the nature of love and power, as she holds the future of the family line in her hands.

The Summer Staged Reading Series offers an opportunity to experience the early stages of these new plays. With minimal staging elements, the focus remains on the creativity of the scripts and the performances of the cast.

Tickets are \$10 at www.valley-players.com or at the door.

Napa Valley Unitarian Universalists, 1625 Salvador Ave., Napa

#### Lucinda Williams at the Uptown Theatre

JaM Cellars presents Lucinda Williams with "Stories from a Rock 'n' Roll Heart" at the Uptown Theatre on Friday, Aug. 23, at 8 p.m.

Lucinda Williams' music has gotten her through her darkest days. It's been that way since growing up amid family chaos in the Deep South, as she recounts in her candid memoir, *Don't Tell Anybody the Secrets I Told You*.

Over the past few years, it's been the force driving her recovery from a debilitating stroke she suffered in 2020 at 67.

Her multi-Grammy-winning songwriting has never deserted her. Her 16th album, *Stories from a Rock n Roll Heart,* brims over with some of her best work.

Although Williams can no longer play her beloved guitar, a constant companion since age 12, her vocals sound better than ever.

The Uptown Theatre, 1350 Third St., Napa, www.uptowntheatrenapa.com

#### Summer dance party at Chateau Buena Vista

Dress in your finest summer attire for a dance party with DJ Kirill at Chateau Buena Vista on Friday, Aug. 23, from 8 to 11 p.m.

The cost is \$50 at buenavistawinery.com. This includes a glass of wine and light bites. You can also buy wine by the glass.

Chateau Buena Vista, 1142 First St., Napa, chateaubuenavista.com



#### Friday, Aug. 23 — music and entertainment

American Canyon

DoubleTree – The JFA Band (Clarence Mamaril, 6-8:30 p.m., 3600 Broadway St.

Napa

- Andaz Nick Foxer, 7-11 p.m., 1450 First St.
- Be Bubbly– 7-9 p.m., 1407 Second St.
- Barnhouse Brews Karaoke, 8-11 p.m., 1004 Clinton St.
- Blue Note Adam Hawley and Julian Vaughn, 6:30 and 9 p.m., 1030 Main St.
- Downtown Joe's 9 p.m., 902 Main St.
- Etude Winery Full Chizel, 1-4 p.m., 1250 Cuttings Wharf Road
- The Fink DJ Deepmilk, 8-10 p.m., 530 Main St.
- JaM Music Studio Bailey Callahan, 9-11 p.m., 1460 First St.
- Levendi Winery Zak Fennie, 7-9 p.m., 1465 First St.
- Napa Bookmine Open mic for music and writing, 6 p.m., 1625 Second St.
- North Bar and Grill Karaoke, 6-9 p.m., 1540 Trancas St.
- Trancas Steakhouse 8 p.m., 999 Trancas St.
- Uptown Lucinda Williams, 8 p.m., 1350 Third St.

Yountville

Hotel Villagio – Music, 5:30 p.m., 6481 Washington St.

St. Helena

The Saint – Adam Lieb, 7:30-10:30 p.m., 1351 Main St.

Calistoga

- Calistoga Depot John Mason, 6-9 p.m., 1458 Lincoln Ave
- Johnny's Live music, 6-9 p.m., 1473 Lincoln Ave.
- The Moonshine Movie *9 to 5* at dusk, 1457 Lincoln Ave.
- Picayune Cellars 1440 Lincoln Ave.

## Saturday, Aug. 24



Napa Farmers Market

The Napa Farmers Market is held rain or shine from 8 a.m. to noon, year-round on Saturdays at 1100 West St. at Pearl in Napa.

Cara Mae Wooledge, La Jefa of the Napa Farmers market, reports that customer attendance is up 14% this year, which beats both 2022 and 2023. The total is 74,503 attendees.

Get information and sign up for the newsletter at

napafarmersmarket.org.

#### Calistoga Farmers Market

The Calistoga Farmers Market is 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays at the Sharpsteen Museum Plaza and Community Center on Washington Street.

Calistoga Farmers' Market, 1311 Washington St., Calistoga, calistogafarmersmarket.org



#### 10th annual Crush Challenge for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Napa Valley

The 10th annual Crush Challenge hosted by the deLeuze Family Charitable Foundation and ZD Wines will be on Saturday, Aug. 24.

It includes a barrel tasting at ZD Wines and a Food & Wine Garden in Yountville. A bicycle ride is an alternative to the barrel tasting.

The barrel tasting at ZD Wines is hosted by the founding deLeuze family and winemakers. Guests will sample wines maturing in barrel. Winery chef Jill deLeuze Billeci, from the third generation of ZD's founding family, will prepare light food pairings.

All barrel tasting guests will receive complimentary admission to the Food & Wine Garden in Yountville, which follows the barrel tasting. Shuttles will be provided from North Yountville Park (2900 Lincoln Ave.) to ZD Wines and back.

Tickets are \$150 to \$250. The beneficiaries are the Boys & Girls Clubs of Napa Valley and UC Davis Health Comprehensive Cancer Center.

ZD Wines, 8383 Silverado Trail, Napa, www.zdwines.com, 707-963-5188

#### **Blending Session with Angelina Mondavi**

Charles Krug Winery presents a wine blending session with winemaker Angelina Mondavi on Aug. 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Mondavi will guide you through the process of making a blend work, and then you'll make your very own. They supply everything you need. The price of \$220 includes the blending and a signed bottle of Family Reserve Generations.



Reserve tickets. Call 707-967-2290 or email experiences@charleskrug.com.

#### Summer Marketplace at Napa Valley Museum

Shop the Summer Marketplace at Napa Valley Museum on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Find artworks, crafts and treats from local artists, artisans and vendors, plus special deals from the museum store.

Food, wine and cocktails will be for sale from 1 to 5 p.m., sponsored by Humboldt Distillery, Rescue Dog Wines and other contributors.

Admission to the museum is free, including all its exhibitions including *Warrior Dogs: Celebrating the Service & Sacrifice of America's Four-Legged Fighters, Pollyanna Valley* and *Museum Mini Masterpieces*.

Napa Valley Museum, 55 Presidents Circle, Yountville, www.napavalleymuseum.org

#### California cheeses and the wines that love them

If you love wine and cheese, you won't want to miss the new class at the CIA at Copia, "California Cheeses and Wines That Love Them" on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Sample different wine and cheese pairings and find which you like the best.

The cost is \$95 at www.ciaatcopia.com

CIA at Copia, 500 First St., Napa,

#### Michael Leonardi Foundation fentanyl awareness concert

The next Michael Leonardi Foundation fentanyl awareness concert will be at Napa Yard on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 2 to 5 p.m.

It will feature The Framers and Weekend Youth, guest speakers and community resources and held during National Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day week.



The Framers are an alternative indie rock band from Santa Barbara that performs both originals and covers from bands like The Strokes and Arctic Monkeys.

Weekend Youth is an alternative pop-rock band from Napa. They've shared the stage with One Republic, SirSly and Imagine Dragons and headlined Blue Note in 2023.

Radio personality and musician Bob St. Laurent will be the MC.

Local organizations joining include the Napa Opioid Safety Coalition with Narcan (naloxone) distribution and ALDEA

Prevention Services. Tickets are \$20. Food and beverages will be for sale at Napa Yard.

Learn more at www.michaelleonardifoundation.org.

Napa Yard at Oxbow Gardens, 585 First St., Napa

#### Made In England at Jarvis Conservatory

Jarvis Conservatory presents the documentary film *Made in England: The Films of Powell and Pressburger* on Saturday, Aug. 24, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Oscar-winning director Martin Scorsese reflects on the influence of filmmakers Michael Powell and Emeric Pressburger, whose decades-long collaboration led to a series of classics that made the duo a crucial part of British cinema.

Scorsese first encountered the films of Powell and Pressburger when he was a child, sitting in front of the family TV. When their famous logo came up on screen, Scorsese says, "You knew you were in for fantasy, wonder, magic — real film magic."

In this documentary, he tells the story of his lifelong love affaire with their movies, including *The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp, Black Narcissus, The Red Shoes* and *The Tales of Hoffmann*.

Tickets are \$15.

Jarvis Conservatory, 1711 Main St, Napa, jarvisconservatory.com

#### Erica Sunshine Lee at Backstage Winery

Live at Backstage Winery presents singer songwriter Erica Sunshine Lee on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Erica Sunshine Lee delivers unfiltered, raw stories sung in her gritty, country-rock alto voice. Her shows feature upbeat island music and catchy, addictive hooks. Her songwriting covers country to outlaw to pop and tropical rock.

Admission is free but tickets are required at backstagewines.com. email info@backstagewines.com

Backstage Winery, 4162 Big Ranch Road, Napa





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#### Hess Persson Estates harvest release party

Hess Persson Estates celebrates the start of its 42nd harvest on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

They'll pour the inaugural vintage of Lion Tamer Chimera Reserve Red Blend, the 2022 vintage of The Lioness, its Napa Valley Chardonnay and other releases.

Light harvest bites will be provided by La Saison Catering. The à la cart menu will include a charcuterie grazing table, seasonal flat breads and sandwiches.

Local musician Nick Foxer will entertain.

Tickets are \$110 at www.hessperssonestates.com or 707-320-9221.

Hess Persson Estates, 4411 Redwood Road, Napa

#### Zap Mama at the Blue Note

Blue Note presents Zap Mama on Saturday, Aug 24, at 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Born in the Democratic Republic of Congo and raised in Europe. Zap Mama graduated from the Academy of Fine Arts in Brussels and continued her studies at the Jazz School of Antwerp, which she did not finish.

To explore the world of oral tradition music, she

travels throughout Africa, learning, exchanging and sharing information about healing songs, lullabies and mourning and practicing polyphony with griots (bards), Tuareg women, Dongons, Peulhs, Pygmies, Mangbetus, Zulus and others.

She achieved worldwide success with her feminine polyphonic a cappella quintet.

Blue Note, 1030 Main St., Napa, www.bluenotejazz.com/napa

## Dinner and the movie *The Sandlot* at Raymond Vineyards

Raymond Vineyards presents *The Sandlot* on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 6:30 to 10 p.m.

Bring popcorn, a low chair and blanket to enjoy a nostalgic night under the stars. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. to buy food from the Oakville Grocery Food Truck and wine by the glass or bottle. The

movie begins at 8 p.m.

Admittance for the movie and popcorn are \$20, free for children under 12.

Raymond Vineyards, 1584 St Helena Highway, St Helena, raymondvineyards.com, customerservice@raymondvineyards.com, 707-963-3141

#### Zero-Proof Dance Party at Southside

Southside presents a Zero-Proof Dance Party on Saturday, Aug. 24, 7 to 9 p.m. for a night of fun featuring DJ Jason Johnson. Gather with like-minded people to enjoy bar bites and refreshing non-alcoholic beverages. The cost is \$15.

Learn more and try to figure out how to reserve at www.southsidenapa.com.

Southside, 135 Gasser Drive, Suite B, Napa



#### Attack of the Killer Tomatoes at the Kitchen Door

Kitchen Door serves a tomato-focused dinner paired with Miner Family wines on Saturday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m.

This gourmet event celebrates the best of the season's flavors featuring creative dishes that highlight the richness of fresh tomatoes, each paired with a wine.

See menu at www.kitchendoornapa.com.

The all-inclusive price is \$175 per person. Email heather@kitchendoornapa.com or call 707-226-1560 to reserve your seat.

Kitchen Door, 1300 First St., Suite 272, Napa



The Gravenstein Mandolin Ensemble at the White Barn

The Gravenstein Mandolin Ensemble plays outdoor at the White Barn on Saturday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m.

Founded in 2006 in Sebastopol (best known for its apples) and under the direction of Gus Garelick, the ensemble's program will include melodies from Argentina to Russia and Italy to Ireland, with selections spanning the classical era to ragtime and beyond.

The ensemble includes the entire mandolin family: mandolins, mandolas and mandocellos – with guitar, bass, percussion and surprise guests.

Buy tickets for \$35. Patrons are encouraged to bring a picnic, along with a sweater or jacket. Grounds open at 6 p.m. and seating is unreserved.

The White Barn, 2727 Sulphur Springs Ave., St. Helena, www.thewhitebarn.org

#### Tab Benoit and Anders Osborne with JD Simo at the Uptown

JaM Cellars presents Tab Benoit and Anders Osborne with JD Simo on Saturday, Aug. 24, at 8 p.m.

Tab Benoit is one of the most impressive guitarists to emerge from the rich Bayous of Southern Louisiana. His guitar tone can be recognized before his Otis-Redding-ish voice resonates from the



speakers. He doesn't rely on any effects and his set-up consists of a guitar, cord and category 5 amplifier. The effects that you hear come from his fingers.

New Orleans' Anders Osborne is among the most original and visionary musicians writing and performing today. Guitar Player calls him "the poet laureate of Louisiana's fertile roots music scene."

The Uptown Theatre, 1350 Third St., Napa, www.uptowntheatrenapa.com

#### Saturday, Aug. 24 — music and entertainment

Napa

- Andaz John Vicino, 7-11 p.m., 1450 First St.
- Be Bubbly– DJ, 7-9 p.m., 1407 Second St.
- Backstage Winery Erica Sunshine Lee, 6-8 p.m., 4162 Big Ranch Road
- Bazan Cellars and MaCo Vincent Costanza, 5-8 p.m., 1000 Main St.
- Blue Note Zap Mama, 6:30 and 9 p.m., 1030 Main St.
- Downtown Joe's DJ, 9 p.m., 902 Main St.
- Feast it Forward John Mason, 4-7 p.m., 1031 McKinstry St.
- JaM Music Studio JoDavi, 9-11 p.m., 1460 First St.
- NapaSport/Forge Pizza Git With It Band, 6-9 p.m., 145 Gasser Drive
- North Bar and Grill 6-9 p.m., 1540 Trancas St.
- Slanted Door 6-9 p.m., 1650 Soscol Ave.
- Trade Brewing 4 p.m., 731 First St.
- Uptown Tab Benoit & Anders Osborne, 8 p.m., 1350 Third St.

Yountville

• Hotel Villagio – Music, 5:30 p.m., 6481 Washington St.

St. Helena

- Beringer Vineyards John Vicino, 2 to 4 p.m., 2000 Main St.
- The Saint Kevin Hague, 7:30-10:30 p.m., 1351 Main St.

Calistoga

- Calistoga Depot Aaron Gee, 6-9 p.m., 1458 Lincoln Ave.
- Hydro Bar Karaoke, 1403 Lincoln Ave.
- The Moonshine Movie *Purple Rose of Cairo* at dusk, 1457 Lincoln Ave.
- Romeo Cellars Elaine Jennings, 3-5 p.m., 1224 Lincoln Ave.

### Sunday, Aug. 25



#### Be Bubbly celebrates its fourth anniversary

Be Bubbly celebrates its fourth year on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. And yes, it opened in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic.

As a thank you, they invite you to join them to celebrate with their favorite things – cold bubbles and hot music and food. The \$40 ticket includes a welcome glass of Champagne and bistro bites.

Ariel Marin and her band will perform from 2 to 5 p.m.

DJ Jerry Ross will be on hand from 1 to 6 p.m. kicking up and wrapping up the party, as well as spinning between Ariel's sets.

The Burger Truck (voted Napa Valley's finest burger) will be parked outside, and the Brigachero Cart will be onsite selling her delicious chocolates.

Proceeds from bottle sales will benefit the Michael Leonardi Foundation.

Be Bubbly, 1407 Second St., Napa, www.bebubblynapa.com

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#### Summer Sundays at Cakebread Cellars

Cakebread Cellars invites you to sip, snack and relax in its South Courtyard for a casual tasting on Sunday, Aug. 25. It includes four current release wines paired with a charcuterie and snack box. Snack boxes can be made vegetarian or gluten free. Guests receive blankets.

The cost is \$70 per ticket.

Cakebread Cellars, 8300 St. Helena Highway, Rutherford, www.cakebread.com, 800-588-0298

#### Wag, Wine & Dine

Waggin' Trails Rescue Foundation hosts Wag, Wine & Dine, a Culinary Adventure for Pups and Their People, at Meritage Resort on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Your four-legged friends are invited to this food and wine event. Tickets are \$95 for adults, \$45 for kids and \$125 for VIP access. Visit www.waggintrailsrescue.com to buy tickets or call 714-328-8661 or email waggintrailsrescue@gmail.com for information. All proceeds benefit Waggin' Trails Rescue, based in Yountville.

Meritage Resort & Spa, 675 Bordeaux Way, Napa Whetstone Sunday Session

Jamey and Michelle Whetstone hold a Sunday Session on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Bring a blanket or lawn chairs and pack a picnic for an afternoon of live music by People of Earth on the Whetstone lawn. They will sell wine by the glass or bottle.

It's for 21+ and no pets. RSVP to tastingsalon@whetstonewines.com.

Whetstone Wines, 1075 Atlas Peak Road, Napa, whetstonewines.com, 707-254-0600,



Yountville's Sundays in the Park summer concert series in Yountville Veterans Memorial Park on Aug. 25, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The Traveling Wilburys was a roots super-group organized by George Harrison, Tom Petty, Roy Orbison, Bob Dylan and Jeff Lynne.

The band never performed live.

The Traveling Wilburys Revue brings that music and the hits from each artist to every show: "Here Comes The Sun," "Won't Back Down," "Pretty Woman," "Like A Rolling Stone," "Don't Bring Me Down" and more.

How You Mac' N food truck will be there. Bring your favorite beverages and a blanket or chair but don't set up before 3:30 p.m.

Friendly and well-behaved dogs on leash are welcome. No registration is needed.

Veterans Memorial Park, Washington St., Yountville





#### Pizza pop-up at Benevolent Neglect Wines

Fancy Savage Cuisine will bake pizzas at Benevolent Neglect Wines in downtown Napa on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 4 to 8 p.m.

They'll fire up their oven and serve a selection of gourmet pizzas on organic sourdough crust.

Whether you're a fan of classic Margherita or love something a bit more adventurous, they'll have something to tantalize your taste buds.

The pizzas will be paired with the wines of Benevolent Neglect Winery.

Benevolent Neglect Wines, 1417 Second St., Napa, www.bnwines.com



#### The Ariel Marin Duo at the Fink

The Ariel Marin Duo performs at the Fink on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The duo is an award-winning, multi-genre band with 30 years of combined performance experience featuring James "Jae-E" Earley and five-octave recording artist Ariel Marin (also known as Sade of The Bay).

Ariel Marin and her band play it all: Motown, blues, funk, classic rock, soul, pop, country and more.

Learn more at www.arielmarinmusic.com. The

cover charge is \$5.

The Fink, 530 Main St., Napa, thefinknapa.com

#### Sunday, Aug. 25 — music and entertainment

Napa

- Be Bubbly 4th anniversary party, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., 1407 Second St.
- Farm at Carneros Music, 6-9 p.m., 4048 Sonoma Highway
- Feast it Forward 2-5 p.m., 1031 McKinstry St.
- The Fink Ariel Marin Duo, 7:30-9:30 p.m., 530 Main St.
- JaM Music Studio DJ Tommy Johnson, 2-5 p.m., 460 First St.
- Migration Winery Sunday series with music, 1-4 p.m., 1451 Stanly Lane
- Meritage Groove Summit, 5:30 p.m., 850 Bordeaux Way
- Sky & Vine on Archer Jacob Phillip Benning, 11:30 p.m., 1230 First St.
- Trade Brewing 4 p.m., 731 First St.

#### Yountville

Veterans Memorial Park – The Traveling Wilbury Revue, 5-7 p.m.

Calistoga

- Buster's Juan Escovedo + Jazz and Blues, 4-7 p.m., 1207 Foothill Blvd.
- The Moonshine Film *Bagdad Café* at dusk, 1457 Lincoln Ave.

## **Upcoming events**



#### Photographer Bob McClenahan to speak at the August Napa Valley Photographic Society meeting

Napa Valley Photographic Society welcomes Bob McClenahan back to its meeting on Monday, Aug. 26, at 7 p.m.

McClenahan's commercial work includes wineries and their products, winery owners and workers and the occasional winery dog, as well as local charities. His images can be found in magazines about Napa Valley and include valley landmarks and landscapes, BottleRock musicians, film festival notables, local chefs, food and beverages.

To see examples of his work, visit www.bobmcclenahan.com.

Napa Senior Center, 1500 Jefferson St., Oak Room, napavalleyphotographicsociety.org

#### The Charter Oak Restaurant Trois Noix Dinner

Trois Noix hosts a lively family-style dinner party at The Charter Oak on Wednesday, Aug. 28, at 5:30 p.m.

Owner and winemaker Jaime Araujo will be joined by lead winemaker Mike Tracy. Hear from them as you taste through their selection of Trois Noix wines paired with a fourcourse dinner of Charter Oak favorites.

Tickets are \$200 including wine pairing at www.thecharteroak.com

#### Provident Community Health Foundation's Reflect & Rejoice gala

Provident Community Health Foundation's 18th annual Reflect & Rejoice gala and live auction will be on Friday, Sept. 6, at Louis M. Martini Winery in St. Helena.

The online auction runs from Tuesday, Sept. 3, through Sunday, Sept. 8.

The celebration luncheon will be on Wednesday, Sept. 4, at St. Supéry Estate Winery & Vineyards, 8440 St. Helena Highway, Rutherford.

Learn more at reflectandrejoice.org, although they're still completing details.

Louis M. Martini Winery, 254 St. Helena Highway, St. Helena

#### NVJS@ Blue Note: Jackie Ryan with the Erik Jekabson Quintet

The Napa Valley Jazz Society brings vocalist Jackie Ryan back to its next concert in its NVJS @ Blue Note Series on Thursday, Sept. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

Ryan will be singing with the Erik Jekabson Quintet: leader Erik Jekabson on trumpet, John R. Burr on piano, Doug Miller on bass, Akira Tana on drums and Patrick Wolf on sax and clarinet.

Tickets are \$45 at www.nvjs.org or 707-224-JAZZ (5299).

Bill Hart at 707-815-1151 or bill@nvjs.org (not the Blue Note website.).



Blue Note, 1030 Main St., Napa

#### **Inglenook Harvest Party**

Inglenook's harvest party is on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 6 to 9 p.m. This festive occasion marks the release of the 2021 Rubicon. The evening will be a blend of wine, food and lively entertainment. After dinner, dance to Stratosphere. Buy tickets.

Inglenook, 1991 St. Helena Highway, Rutherford

#### Beringer Vineyards release celebration

Beringer Vineyards will hold its 2021 Private Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon release party on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 4 p.m. Enjoy tastings, food pairings and music.

Early pricing ends July 31. The cost is \$125 per ticket.

Beringer Vineyards, 2000 Main St., St. Helena, www.beringer.com, 707-257-5771

#### Somerston Estate Winery lunches

Somerston Estate Winery will serve lunches at its property near Lake Berryessa on Friday, Sept. 20, and Friday, Oct. 11, from noon to 3 p.m.

Enjoy breathtaking views, wines from the portfolio and estate executive chef Dan Solomon's lunch menu.

The cost is \$250 at Somerston lunch.

Somerston Wine Co., 3450 Sage Canyon Road east of Sy. Helena

#### Golf tournament celebrates Molly's Angels' 25th anniversary

Molly's Angels' annual golf tournament will take place at the Eagle Vines Golf Club in American Canyon on Monday, Sept. 23. It marks Molly's Angels' 25th year of empowering seniors to lead lives filled with confidence.

This year's tournament serves as a key fundraiser for the organization's transportation and support services to seniors in Napa and Solano Counties.

For more information including tickets and sponsorship, see www.mollysangels.com.

Contact executive director Devereaux Smith or Jill Jorgensen at mollysangels@mollysangels.com or 707-224-8971.



#### Halloween Tulocay Cemetery Walking Tour

The Napa County Historical Society's annual Halloween Spooktacular Tulocay Cemetery Walking Tour will be on Sunday, Oct. 27, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

The tour begins at the historic Juarez Building office just inside the old gates and is about 90 minutes long, mostly following the paved roads.

This special Halloween tour winds through some of the oldest parts of the cemetery where guests just might meet some of the storied individuals who

helped to shape Napa.

Individual whisper headsets are provided to make it easy to enjoy each stop and hear the spooky and interesting historical facts.

This event always sells out, so buy tickets early. Tickets are \$45 at www.napahistory.org. Tulocay Cemetery, 411 Coombsville Road, Napa

## News for the wine community

#### Jayson Woodbridge buys Kelly Fleming Winery

Jayson Woodbridge, founder and owner of Hundred Acre Wine Group, has acquired the Kelly Fleming Winery, a 286-acre estate in Simmons Canyon between Calistoga and St. Helena on the east side of Napa Valley.

The Fleming Wines estate includes 12 acres of vineyards, a 5,000-sq. ft. stone winery, a 7,000 sq. ft. natural rock cave, a commercial kitchen and a classic stone residence on an adjacent knoll.

The Fleming property adjoins Hundred Acre's Few and Far Between vineyard, 5 acres of vineyard of a 115-acre total property, now creating 17 acres of Hundred Acre vines. The two ranches combined will total approximately 400 acres.

The winery facilities at the Fleming ranch are carved into the hillside, much like Hundred Acre's "The Ring" cave winery. This acquisition will allow for more barrel fermentations in the caves, a space-intensive process central to Hundred Acre's and Fortunate Son's micro fermentations.

The Fleming property has a commercial kitchen with outdoor fireplaces and entertainment areas. Guests can visit starting in spring 2025, by invitation only.

Woodbridge said the first harvest from the Kelly Fleming vineyards will be this fall.

Woodbridge has been busy. In July, he bought 10-acre Madrigal Vineyards between Calistoga and St. Helena with 8 acres of planted vineyards, a production facility, appointment-only tasting room, garden and a small private estate.

In 2020, Woodbridge bought the David Fulton Ranch, one of the first vineyards and wineries in Napa Valley, built in 1860, and the seventh house built in St. Helena.

In 2022, he bought a 1870s era 18-acre vineyard at Calistoga's Larkmead Lane and the corner of Highway 29, renamed True Romance vineyard (romance being an anagram of his son Cameron's name).



#### Women For WineSense presents Wine Market Council report

The Napa Sonoma chapter of Women for WineSense will host Wine Market Council president Liz Thach for a networking reception and market research discussion, "A Snapshot of the U.S. Wine Consumer: Their Needs, Desires, and How They Are Changing" on Tuesday, Aug. 27, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Davis Estates

The event will be held both onsite at Davis Estates and online via private Zoom livestream.

This event will focus on actionable data and insights about luxury and ultra-premium tier wine consumers. The presentation will also include a preview of the recent Wine Club/DTC consumer study.

This event is for WWS members and qualified nonmembers who register and are confirmed in advance (men, too). Nonmembers pay \$35 onsite, \$20 online. See www.womenforwinesense.org. Both onsite and virtual registered attendees will receive a private livestream link by 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27. See www.winemarketcouncil.com. Davis Estates, 4060 Silverado Trail, Calistoga

## NapaLife's calendar of future events

Here are live events scheduled for Napa County, many typically requiring buying tickets or planning in advance even if it just means putting it on your calendar.

Send details of future events to paul@paulfranson.com.

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Aug. 21	30th anniversary Pink Martini tour at Summer Sessions	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Aug. 21	Steel Pulse at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Aug. 23	Lucinda Williams at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Aug. 23	Fall JaM Cellars JaMily dinner party	jamcellars.com
Aug. 24	Napa Valley Grapegrowers' Harvest Stomp	napagrowers.org
Aug. 24	Zap Mama at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Aug. 24 & 25	Groove Summit at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Aug. 24	Tab Benoit & Anders Osborne with Jd Simo at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Aug. 24	Hess Persson Estates harvest release party	hessperssonestates.com
Aug. 25	Blue Note Summer Sessions: Tower of Power at Meritage	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Aug. 28	Broadway and Vine: Aaron Lazar at Tre Posti	broadwayandvine.org
Aug. 30	You Should Be Dancing Bee Gees Tribute at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Sept. 2	Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue at Summer Sessions	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 6	Community Health Foundation Reflect & Rejoice gala	reflectandrejoice.org
Sept. 7	Air Supply at Blue Note Summer Sessions	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 7	30th One Mind Music Festival for Brain Health	music-festival.org
Sept. 7	Evening at the Ruins at American Canyon's Watson Ranch	acparks.org
Sept. 7	Kathryn Hall Harvest Celebration	hallwines.com
Sept. 8	The Oz Noy Trio at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 8	Calistoga Harvest Table	visitcalistoga.com
Sept. 13	Frankie Quinones at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Sept. 13	Belew/Vai/Levin play '80s King Crimson Summer Sessions	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 14	Rick Braun at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 14	John Lydon AKA Johnny Rotten at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Sept. 14	Inglenook Harvest Party	inglenook.com
Sept. 21	Generous Heart - Queen of the Valley Foundation	providence.org
Sept. 21	Black Stallion Winery Harvest Fête	blackstallionwinery.com
Sept. 21	Beringer - 2021 Private Reserve release celebration	beringer.com
Sept. 21	Elizabeth Spencer Autumn Winemaker Garden Dinner	elizabethspencerwinery.com
Sept. 21	The Concert: A Tribute To Abba at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Sept. 21 & 22	Pete Escovedo Orchestra retirement tour at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 21 & 22	Open Studios Napa Valley	openstudiosnapavalley.org
Sept. 22	Cold Case Live at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Sept. 23	Molly's Angels' 25th anniversary golf tournament	mollysangels.com
Sept. 23	Broadway and Vine: Shoshana Bean at Tre Posti	broadwayandvine.org
Sept. 28	Bale Grist Mill Harvest Dinner	napavalleystateparks.org
Sept. 28 & 29	Open Studios Napa Valley	openstudiosnapavalley.org
Sept. 29	Blue Note Summer Sessions: Black Pumas	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Sept. 29	JD Souther at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 3	Henry Kapono at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 4 & 5	Lee Ritenour & Dave Grusin at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 5	The Nation and War on Drugs at the Meritage	bluenotejazz.com/napa
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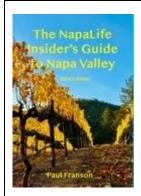
Oct. 5	Get The Led Out Tribute to Led Zeppelin at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Oct. 5	Blues, Brews, BBQ & Classic Cars at Napa Expo	napabluesandbrew.com
Oct. 5	Get The Led Out at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Oct. 6	Janis Siegel & Yaron Gershovsky at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 11	Melvin Seals & JGB in JaM Cellars Ballroom	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 11 & 12	All-4-One at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 13	Broadway and Vine: Alan Cumming at Inglenook	broadwayandvine.org
Oct. 13	Blue Note Summer Sessions: Intocable	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 13	Badi Assad & Romero Lubambo at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 15	Los Lobos at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Oct. 17-18	Candy Duffer: We Funk Harder Tour at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 19	Petty Theft at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Oct. 19	Napa Valley Writer's Forum at Jessel Gallery	jesselgallery.com
Oct. 24	The Smooth Jazz Alley at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 25	Alonzo Bodden at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Oct. 26	Howell Mountain Harvest Celebration at CIA at Copia	howellmountain.org
Oct. 26 & 27	Kim Waters at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Nov. 1	Brad Tursi at Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Nov. 1 & 2	Larry Carlton Farewell Tour at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Nov. 2	Black Stallion Winery Pinot and Paella	blackstallionwinery.com
Nov. 3	John Hiatt at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Nov. 7	Richard Thompson at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Nov. 8	Pavlo at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Nov. 8	Joanne Shaw Taylor at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Nov. 9	Marc Maron at the Uptown	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Nov. 12	Winejobs.com HR Summit at Copia	winebusiness.com
Nov. 12 & 13	Wine Industry Financial Symposium at Copia	winebusiness.com
Nov. 17	Ann Hampton Callaway at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Nov. 20	Mat Kearney at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Nov. 23	Super Diamond at the Uptown Theatre	uptowntheatrenapa.com
Dec. 5	Zoso: The Ultimate Led Zeppelin Experience at Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Dec. 8	Black Stallion Winery Holiday Party	blackstallionwinery.com
Dec. 14	Inspire Napa Valley Winter Wine & Food Fête	inspirenapavalley.org
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Jan. 19	Pettybreakers tribute to Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers	bluenotejazz.com/napa
Jan. 24	Jahari Stampley at the Blue Note	bluenotejazz.com/napa
May 31	Taste of Howell Mountain!	howellmountain.org
June 6 & 7	Napa Valley Vintners Auction Weekend	collectivenapavalley.org



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# *The NapaLife Insider's Guide to Napa Valley,* mid-2024 edition

The new just-released mid-2024 edition of the *NapaLife Insider*'s *Guide to Napa Valley* is now available. Normally I update it at the first of the year, but this year has been very busy.

The good news is that the new edition incorporates many changes since then. This edition is heavily updated. There have been vast changes in Napa Valley in the last few years, with many restaurants and wineries, lodgings and venues for the arts

changing, closing or opening.

For those who live here, it's a great reference and you're sure to learn things you didn't know. It's also the perfect gift for friends and relatives to entice them to visit but also to save you from answering questions and giving tours.

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