

No Transbay service Sept. 5-7 due to track safety repairs

On Labor Day weekend, September 5-7, there will be no BART service between the East Bay and San Francisco while BART performs track safety repairs near the West Oakland

Station, which will be closed. BART will offer lifeline bus service between 19th Street Station in downtown Oakland and the Temporary Transbay Terminal in San

Francisco, however customers who take these transbay buses should expect one to two hour delays. There will be no additional charge for riding these buses.

During the transbay closure, BART will still run service between San Francisco and the Peninsula, and between stations in the East Bay. For details visit bart.gov.

Labor Day BARTable Destinations for SF and East Bay residents

While there will be no transbay BART service on Labor Day weekend (Sept. 5-7), BART will have frequent service between San Francisco and the Peninsula, and between stations in the East Bay. No matter which side of the Bay you are on, there are lots of places to explore over Labor Day weekend.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO/PENINSULA RESIDENTS

Urban Putt is the only place in SF hosting indoor mini golf, and it's all alongside Chicago-style pizza, chicken-and-waffle skewers and adult sips in the heart of the Mission. Need we say more? Three blocks from 24th St. Mission Station, this newer addition is now an SF landmark — the much-hyped place to attempt a hole-in-one under the same roof as an upstairs restaurant and two bars.

Dolores Park, a three-block stroll from 16th St. Mission Station, is a local's summer hub on any given weekend. Socialize with a crew, people watch and pack a lunch as you sit back to watch the skateboarders shred. Dessert? Esteemed post-lounging eats sit across the street on the corner of Guerrero and 18th Street at Tartine Bakery; there's a reason why you'll always find a line of people lunging for the menu of freshly baked tarts, cakes and croissants.

Aquarius Records, San Francisco's oldest independent record store, is one of the last shops standing of a beloved dying breed. Feel like you're living in the film "High Fidelity" and peruse the aisles of carefully curated sounds. Located on Valencia Street, Aquarius Records is three blocks from 24th St./Mission Station.

FOR EAST BAY RESIDENTS

Oakland has an enticing cache of lakes, museums and restaurants.

Smoky bacon mac. Sriracha mac. Vegan mac. Gilroy garlic mac. Homeroom restaurant is heaven for the child in all of us. Dig that utensil deep into your favorite mac 'n' cheese off the imaginative menu at this Temescal comfort food spot. It's a warm feast for the belly that's just over a 5-minute walk from MacArthur Station.

Near from the aptly named Lake Merritt Station,



Clockwise from top: Aquarius Records in San Francisco (24th St. Mission Station); Mac and cheese from Homeroom in Oakland (MacArthur Station); Children's Fairyland in Oakland (19th St./Oakland Station); and a latte from Tartine in SF (16th St. Mission Station).

Lake Merritt boasts a 3-mile scenic waterfront walk in the heart of Oakland. Gondola ride, jogging path or wildlife exploration, Lake Merritt provides some nature and peace of mind amidst the urban landscape. Take the kids to Children's Fairyland, right on its shore, for a family-friendly day trip.

Visit bart.gov/bartable for more fun things to do near BART.



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PISTAHAN PARADE AND FESTIVAL

Aug. 8 and 9, 11 am to 5pm
Yerba Buena Gardens, San Francisco
pistahan.net
> **BART: Powell Street or Civic Center/UN Plaza**
Experience the best of Filipino art, dance, music and food at the 22nd Annual Pistahan Parade and Festival. Admission is free. Be on the lookout for the BARTmobile during the parade on Saturday, Aug. 8, starting at 11 am.

EXCELSIOR ART & MUSIC FESTIVAL

Aug. 16, 11am to 4pm
Mission Street, from Theresa/Avalon to Geneva Avenue, San Francisco
excelsiorfestival.org
> **BART: Balboa Park, walk 15 minutes**
A free and family-friendly art and music festival. Features live music, food, entertainment and more.

CAL SHAKES PRESENTS "THE MYSTERY OF IRMA VEP"

Aug. 12 through Sept. 6
Bruns Amphitheater, Orinda
calshakes.org
> **BART: Orinda + Free Shuttle**
Cal Shakes' outgoing artistic director Jonathan Moscone



Cuban all-stars Los Van Van performs Aug. 14 at Davies Symphony Hall as part of the SFJAZZ Summer series.

has chosen Charles Ludlam's uproarious 1984 comedy for his final bow at the Bruns. In an unparalleled theatrical feat, Cal Shakes favorites Danny Scheie and Liam Vincent will make 35 costume changes to play eight different characters,

ranging from a nobleman to an Egyptian princess. Catch a free shuttle from Orinda BART Station.

SFJAZZ SUMMER SERIES

Through Aug. 23
SFJAZZ Center
sfjazz.org
> **BART: Civic Center**
Highlights include Grammy winner Buddy Guy and Cuban music legends Los Van Van.

MILLBRAE ART & WINE FESTIVAL

Sept. 5 and 6, 10 am to 5 pm
Broadway Avenue, Millbrae
millbrae.miramarevents.com
> **BART: Millbrae + Free Shuttle**
The festive spirit and flavor of the Big Easy comes to the Bay Area at this Mardi Gras-style festival. Downtown Millbrae comes alive with live music, artisan booths, food tastings, a classic car show and kids' activities. Catch a free shuttle from Millbrae BART Station every 20 minutes. Free.

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Thank you riders ...

By the time this month's column is printed, BART will have completed the first of two weekends to perform track safety repairs near West Oakland station. On August 1 and 2, BART halted transbay service and worked around the clock to repair these tracks. During the transbay outage, our maintenance crews also took the opportunity to grind rails in the Transbay Tube and perform other critical maintenance that's not possible within the short windows that BART is normally closed at night.

BART knows the interruption of transbay service is an inconvenience to riders, and I want to thank you for your patience. Once this work has finished BART customers will experience a more reliable, smoother, and quieter ride across the Bay.

We have one more weekend of repair work coming up on Labor Day weekend, September 5 through 7. During this second transbay closure, BART will still run service between San Francisco and the Peninsula, and between stations in the East Bay. Details will be posted on bart.gov.

As always, thank you for riding BART. We appreciate your patience while we conduct these critical repairs.

Grace Crunican
General Manager

Oakland Chinatown StreetFest

Enjoy the tastes of Asia during Oakland Chinatown StreetFest. Celebrate the Year of the Ram at the Oakland Chinatown StreetFest on Aug. 22 and 23. The annual festival, which brings thousands of people from all over the Bay Area to Oakland's Chinatown, promises to have delicious foods, arts and crafts, plus live entertainment.

The easiest way to get to the StreetFest is by riding BART. Get off at 12th St./Oakland City Center station and use the 11th Street/Broadway exit. The festival spans 7th to 11th streets, and from Broadway to Harrison Street. Visit oaklandchinatownstreetfest.com for more information.

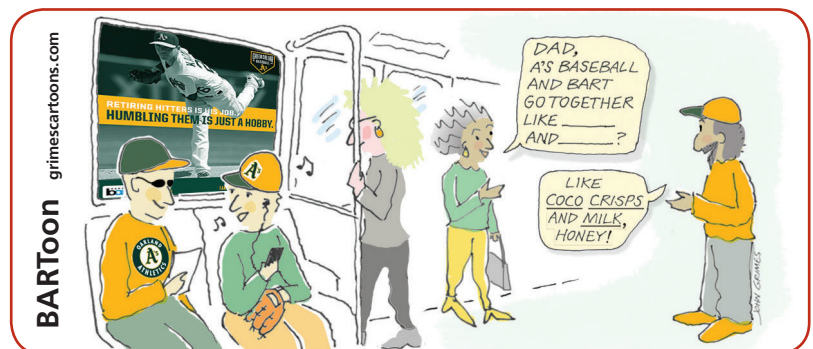
Visit bart.gov/bartable to plan your trip.

Oakland Chinatown StreetFest 2015 August 22nd & 23rd



BARToon contest winner selected

Congratulations to Jackie who submitted the winning caption in our June BARToon caption contest. She was named the BART A's Fan of the Game for July. She received two tickets to see the A's, a \$50 BART ticket and a ride around in the field in the BARTmobile. See the caption with cartoonist John Grimes' artwork below! For more details about upcoming BART A's Fan of the Game contests, visit bart.gov/bartable.



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