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The only guide you'll need: BARTable







Clockwise: Stomper surprises BART riders with A's tickets at Dublin/Pleasanton station; Zachary's Pizza in Rockridge is BARTable; The Crucible offers industrial art classes near BART's West Oakland station.

But just what is BARTable? Glad you asked! It's your go-to resource for finding fun activities that are a hop, skip and BART ride away. Things that are, well, BARTable (as in close to BART stations). Check it out at bart.gov/bartable for special discounts, weekly giveaways, a comprehensive events calendar and articles pointing you to unique and award-winning spots around the Bay Area.

You can also search for whatever your heart desires near a BART station on our nifty Explore page. Yoga in Downtown Berkeley? Burritos by 16th Street Mission? Dim Sum near El Cerrito Plaza? We've got you covered.

Since bart.gov/bartable launched in March, we have given away more than 100 prizes, including \$100 Clipper cards, A's tickets, theater passes, VIP seats for parades and festivals and more.

Here at BART we think there are so many fun and interesting places you can visit by riding the train during non-commute hours. We wanted to create a great resource for people who are looking to take public transit to their leisure time events. Every day, we update the site with new information — thanks to feeds from FunCheap SF, Goldstar and Yelp.

What does BART get out of it? Of course, we hope you consider riding BART to your destination, but mostly we want to be a good community partner and something other than an all-work-andno-play-makes-BART-a-dull-train transit agency. BARTable is also on Facebook at fb.com/bartable and Twitter at @SFBARTable. We'd love to hear what you think about the new site. Email us at bartable@bart.gov. And, as always, thanks for riding BART.

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER Dump the Pump ...

On June 18, BART will be celebrating the 10-year anniversary of Dump the Pump Day, a national movement highlighting the benefits of bypassing the gas station and taking public transit. The American Public Transportation Association launched the campaign in 2006 as gas prices soared.

Today, over 430,000 BART riders dump the pump each day, reducing air pollution and saving money on gas.

To recognize BART riders for helping the environment, BART will be giving great prizes to people who "Dump the Pump" during their commute.

Do you take BART? Do you ride a bike? Walk to work? Take a photo of yourself "dumping the pump" on June 18, post it on Twitter or Instagram and tag it #BARTable by June 25.

You could win a one-year City CarShare membership, a \$100 Clipper card, or a pre-loaded BikeLink card good for parking your bike in a BART bike locker or self-serve bike station. You can also enter the contest online at bart.gov/bartable, emailing bartable@bart.gov, or by mailing your submission to: Dump the Pump, Attn: BART Marketing, 300 Lakeside Dr., Oakland, CA 94612.

We are working hard to build a better BART for the Bay Area, and I want to thank you for taking BART and doing your part to make the world a better place.

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Ride BART to SF Pride Celebration

The San Francisco Pride Celebration and Parade hits the streets Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28. With over 200 parade contingents, 300 exhibitors and more than 20 community-run stages and venues, the San Francisco Pride Celebration and parade is the largest gathering of the LGBT community and allies in the nation.

The two-day celebration takes place in Civic Center Plaza in downtown San Francisco. Take BART to Civic Center Station and you're there. Plan your trip at bart.gov using BART's QuickPlanner tool.

PLAN YOUR TRIP

>> Hours: Noon to 6 pm on June 27; 11 am to 6 pm on June 28

>>Parade: Starts at 10:30 am June 28 from Beale Street along Market; ends at Market and 8th Street

>> BART: Exit Embarcadero, Montgomery Street, Powell Street or Civic Center BART stations to view the parade. Exit Civic Center for the celebration.

>>More Info: sfpride.org



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The inaugural Bay Area Book Festival is June 6 and 7 in Downtown Berkeley.

BAY AREA BOOK FESTIVAL

June 6 and 7, 10 am to 6 pm **Berkeley Arts District** bayareabookfest.org > BART: Downtown Berkeley, exit Shattuck Celebrate books, reading and community at the inaugural Bay Area Book Festival. There will be book readings, keynotes, interviews, family activities, special events, exhibits, art, food and more.

SF JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL AND PARADE

Saturday, June 13, 11 am to 6 pm Fillmore Street, between Post and Turk streets sfjuneteenth.org

> BART: Montgomery Street + Muni 38

Join the day-long celebration honoring African American heritage. This year's celebration includes a car show, two stages of live entertainment, health and wellness information, food booths, arts and crafts, plus a Kiddy Korner with pony rides, a petting zoo and face painting. The parade begins at 11 am.

BERKELEY JUNETEENTH **FESTIVAL**

Sunday, June 21, 10 am to 6 pm Berkeley's five-block Alcatraz-Adeline corridor berkeleyjuneteenth.org

> BART: Ashby This free, family-friendly festival features live music, dance,

spoken word, health screenings, a basketball tournament, historical exhibits and art for children. Watch a performance on the main stage, where you will find African drumming, jazz, blues, neo-soul, gospel, rhythm and blues, and reggae.

KPFA SUMMER ARTS FAIR

June 20 and 21, 10 am to 6 pm Craneway Pavilion, Richmond kpfa.org/craftsfair/summer > BART: Richmond, and catch the free shuttle A juried arts and crafts fair with 200 exhibitors, featuring original work in all media. There will be a free shuttle running continously from Richmond BART station. Admission costs \$12 for adults; \$8 for seniors; and free for youth (17 and under).

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State auditor validates BART's projections, reinvestment needs

A state audit released in May validated BART's financial projection process and reaffirmed that BART is facing \$9.6 billion in capital needs, potentially affecting the reliability of rail service if additional revenue isn't secured. The audit reports BART has taken recent steps to improve its process for planning capital improvements and has already begun work to secure funding and identify potential future funds.

- Some key financial findings include: • BART will not be able to rely on its op-
- erating budget to pay for capital needs BART faces cash flow challenges for each of its Big Three capital projects:

at least 775 new rail cars, a new train control system and an expanded maintenance facility

- BART has identified over \$5.6 billion in capital projects needed to repair or replace infrastructure that is in poor or very poor condition
- Until BART is able to secure more funding for capital projects, the backlog of unfunded capital needs will grow
- If no additional revenue measures are passed, BART will likely have to enact a number of cost-cutting measures that could result in less reliable rail service
- BART is considering several options for gaining additional revenues, including future bond measures

The full report can be found online at auditor.ca.gov.

Track closure between Coliseum and Fruitvale stations on some weekends

Visit bart.gov for work schedule and more info

Vital repairs are needed to the equipment and tracks between Fruitvale and Coliseum stations. The work requires that the entire track be shut down and that no trains operate between these stations while it is being performed. To cause the least amount of inconvenience, we

are scheduling this work mostly on select weekends.

To accommodate your travel while the work is being done, we will have a "bus bridge" providing service for customers who don't have other options. The free buses will carry customers between the two stations. The bus bridge will cause delays for some customers. Visit bart.gov for work schedule.

Caption this month's BARToon, win an Oakland A's prize pack

Enter this month's contest and you have the chance to win two MVP tickets to the July 22 A's game against the Toronto Blue Jays (first pitch is at 7:05 pm), a \$50 BART ticket and a pre-game ride around the field in the BARTmobile.

All you need to do is write a funny caption for this month's BARToon (see below). Send your captions (150 words or less) via email to bartable@bart.gov with the subject line: "A's Fan, BART Rider." Or you can mail your entry to: A's Fan, BART Rider, Attention: BART Marketing, 300 Lakeside Drive, Oakland, CA 94612. Entries must be received by Friday, July 10, to be eligible. The winning caption will appear in the August edition of BARTable This Month. Visit bart.gov/bartable for contest rules.



