



## Go green at the BART Blue Sky Festival

### ECO-THEMED FESTIVAL RETURNS APRIL 16

Join us for the fourth annual BART Blue Sky Festival on Wednesday, April 16, just in time for Earth Day! This free event is from 11am to 2pm at Justin Herman Plaza in San Francisco.

Visit more than 50 eco-exhibitors, listen to live music, play carnival games with an eco-twist and more.

Be sure to get a BART Blue Sky Passport at the festival, fill it with stamps from six exhibitors and redeem it for a free \$6 BART ticket. Limited to the first 5,000 people with a stamped passport.

Stamped passports will be entered in a drawing to win a folding bike. Official rules will be available at the festival.

Visit [bart.gov/bluesky](http://bart.gov/bluesky) for an updated list of environmental

partners attending the festival as well as information and rules for receiving your free BART ticket and entering the drawing.

This is an outdoor festival; heavy rain cancels.

### WIN A \$500 CLIPPER CARD!

There are so many great non-profit organizations doing important work in the Bay Area, now is your chance to help them out.

As part of BART's Blue Sky celebration, you can vote for your favorite BART Blue Sky nonprofit partner at [bart.gov/bluesky](http://bart.gov/bluesky).

The three non-profits getting the most votes will win valuable exposure in front of BART's 400,000-plus

daily, weekday riders for their organizations, and you have a chance to win a \$500 Clipper card just for voting. You can only vote one time, so make it count. Voting ends May 12.

You can vote for one of the following non-profits participating in our BART Blue Sky Festival:

- Bay Area Green Tours
- Breathe California
- City CarShare
- CUESA
- Earthjustice
- Factory Farming Awareness Coalition
- Food Shift
- Friends of the Urban Forest
- Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco
- Save the Bay
- San Francisco Bay Sierra Club Chapter
- Wild Equity Institute



### FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

## Helping keep the sky blue since 1972

For more than 41 years, BART riders have been helping keep our Bay Area skies blue. Riding BART instead of driving is an easy and inexpensive way to do your part for the environment.

An individual BART rider travelling round-trip on weekdays for a year saves over 300 gallons of gasoline and keeps nearly 6,000 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> out of the air.

On a single weekday, all BART riders keep over 4.5 million pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> out of the air and save over 250,000 gallons of gas.

In addition, during this drought, BART is answering Gov. Jerry Brown's call to reduce the amount of water we consume. BART reduced train washing operations from a four-day to an eight-day cycle, and we are reducing irrigation by 10 percent. In addition, we have encouraged all of our employees to conserve water both in the office and at home.

I'd like to invite you to join us at the fourth annual BART Blue Sky Festival on Wednesday, April 16 to learn more ways we can work together to keep our earth green and our skies blue.

Additionally, we'll debut a life-sized model of our new train cars at this year's Blue Sky Festival. I invite you to tour the model car and let us know what you think. Your thoughts will help shape the future of BART for years to come.

Grace Crunican, General Manager



## Tour a final model of BART's new train car

Would you be interested in walking through the final model of a new BART train car? The final model will make its debut April 16 at the Blue Sky Festival, and will be touring the Bay Area during April and May. For more information about the Fleet of the Future, visit [bart.gov/cars](http://bart.gov/cars).

See the back page for a schedule of when the model train car will be in your area.

BART began service over 40 years ago. The original BART cars are near the end of their useful lives and need to be replaced.

Bombardier Transit Corporation will build BART's Fleet of the Future. A complex supply chain and assembly process, followed by rigorous testing, will result in the first new train cars going into service in 2017.

## Happy Birthday to the BARTmobile!



Hundreds of people visited Oakland's Children's Fairyland on Saturday, April 5, to wish the BARTmobile a happy 10th birthday. Music, cupcakes and beautiful spring weather were enjoyed by all.

## Trains

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### MODEL TRAIN CAR SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 16, 11:30am-7pm. Justin Herman Plaza in San Francisco.

> **BART: Embarcadero**

Friday, April 18, 2-7pm. West Oakland Station, Oakland.

> **BART: West Oakland**

Monday, April 21, 2-7pm. Fremont Station, Fremont.

> **BART: Fremont**

Wednesday, April 23, 2-7pm. Pittsburg/Bay Point Station, Pittsburg.

> **BART: Pittsburg/Bay Point**

Friday, April 25, 11am-7pm. Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco.

> **BART: Civic Center/UN Plaza**

Tuesday, April 29, 2-7pm. North Berkeley Station.

> **BART: North Berkeley**

Friday, May 2, 2-7pm. The Great Mall Main Transit Center, Milpitas.

> **BART: Fremont station, transfer to VTA Bus 180**

Monday, May 5, 2-7pm. Dublin/Pleasanton Station, Pleasanton.

> **BART: Dublin/Pleasanton**

Wednesday, May 7, 2-7pm. Fruitvale Station, Oakland.

> **BART: Fruitvale**

Friday, May 9, 2-7pm. Concord Station, Concord.

> **BART: Concord**

## bartable calendar

### CESAR E. CHAVEZ HOLIDAY PARADE AND FESTIVAL

April 12, 11am to 5pm

Dolores Park and 24th Street, San Francisco  
cesarchavezday.org

> **BART: 16th St. or 24th St. stations**

The parade starts at 11am at Dolores Park, and the 24th Street Fair runs from noon to 5pm, located between Treat and Bryant streets. There will be live music and entertainment, arts and crafts booths, food and more.

### SUNDAY STREETS

April 13, 11am to 4pm

Tenderloin, San Francisco  
sundaystreetsf.com

> **BART: Civic Center/UN Plaza**

Sunday Streets creates a large, temporary, public space by closing off stretches to automobile traffic, and opening them to pedestrians, bicyclists and all kinds of fun and exciting activities. Anyone can come, it's free and no pre-registration is required. Check the Sunday Streets website for details.

### NOW ROZ FESTIVAL

April 13, noon to 10pm

Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton  
nowrozfestival.com

> **BART: Dublin/Pleasanton, and take the free shuttle**

The largest Afghan and Persian festival in the United States. Try a variety of Afghan and Persian food, entertainment and fun rides.

### WALNUT CREEK RESTAURANT WEEK

April 21-27

Downtown Walnut Creek  
walnutcreekrestaurantweek.com

> **BART: Walnut Creek**

Discover new restaurants and delight your palate with prix-fixe menus offered at over two dozen Walnut Creek restaurants. Three-course lunch and dinner menus range from \$10 to \$40.

### GLEN PARK FESTIVAL

April 27, 10am to 4:30pm

Diamond Street, Glen Park  
glenparkfestival.com

> **BART: Glen Park**

The Glen Park Festival brings residents, neighbors and friends together for a day of entertainment, live music, dancing and delicious food. Enjoy neighborhood restaurants, artists and craftspeople from Glen Park and beyond.

### SAN FRANCISCO CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL

May 3, 10am to 6pm

Dolores Park, San Francisco  
sfcincodemayo.com

> **BART: 16th or 24th St. stations**

The San Francisco Cinco de Mayo Festival is a family-friendly, alcohol-free, cultural celebration produced by Mission Neighborhood Centers, Inc. The festival includes a Zumba-thon, live entertainment, delicious foods and 50-plus craft and information booths.

## Baseball is back in the Bay Area

The smell of the grass, the crack of the bat and the familiar "boop, boop" of a BART train mean all the excitement of Major League Baseball is back in the Bay Area. BART is the best way to get to AT&T Park to see the San Francisco Giants.

Exit BART at Embarcadero or Montgomery stations and walk to the park or transfer to Muni Metro for the quick streetcar ride.

Getting to the Coliseum for Oakland A's games is easy. Just exit at Coliseum Station and cross the BART ramp to the stadium. For Giants info, visit sfgiants.com. For the A's, visit athletics.com.

### TAKE BART TO A'S \$2 WEDNESDAYS

Fans of the American League West Division Champion Oakland A's know the best deal for tickets — BART \$2 Wednesdays.

Thank you to everyone who sold out the \$2 Plaza Level game tickets for this season! If you didn't get your \$2 ticket, you still can score a great deal. At each \$2 Wednesday game, BART will give away \$50 BART tickets to two BART-riding A's fans.

Be sure to check out [bart.gov/fan](http://bart.gov/fan) for more ways to win!

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CRAWLING ALONG AND STILL MILES FROM THE COLISEUM.

TEACHABLE MOMENT, DAD: IT'S NOT "TAKE ME OUT TO THE CRAWL GAME."

DRIVING PUTS THE "UN" IN FAMILY FUN.

MENTAL ERROR BY DRIVER. NEXT TIME WE TAKE BART.

