

Take BART to Pride Celebration

The 43rd San Francisco Pride Celebration and Parade hits the streets Saturday, June 29 and Sunday, June 30.

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 LGBT people and allies in the nation.

The two-day celebration takes place in Civic Center Plaza in downtown San Francisco.



Photo: Juan Carlos Pometta Betancourt

Take BART to Civic Center Station and you're there. Plan your trip at bart.gov.

For Pride Celebration and Parade info, visit sfpride.org.

The Celebration runs from noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Sunday's parade kicks off at 10:30 a.m. from Beale Street along Market and ends at Market and 8th St. in the heart of downtown San Francisco.

Free fun at Yerba Buena Gardens

If you're looking for great, free, entertainment? Look no farther than downtown San Francisco.



Photo: Circus Bella, Performing June 28 and 29

The 2013 Yerba Buena Gardens Festival presents nearly 100 free events including music, theater, circus, poetry, children's programs and dance with artists from across the country and around the world. For more information, including a list of all the great events from now until October, visit ybgf.org or call 415/543-1718.

Take BART to Powell or Montgomery Street stations and you're two blocks from Yerba Buena Gardens.

From the General Manager

BART's your ticket to great summer events...

Summer arrives this month and with it many great community events that make the Bay Area a special place to live. A lot of these events are BART-accessible, like the SF Pride Celebration and Parade, the Yerba Buena Gardens Festival and the other great events featured in this issue of BART Times.

With BART, you can avoid parking hassles and unpredictable traffic at night or on the weekends, and you can also do your part for Bay Area air quality. With the warm weather of summer approaching, keeping automobile emissions down is a key to local air quality. Our trains are 100% electric, with two-thirds of that power coming from clean or renewable sources.

Hop on BART when you head out to enjoy the Bay Area we all love. Have a great summer and, as always, thank you for riding BART.


Grace Crunican, General Manager

BART eases commute bike restrictions for extended trial

The BART Board of Directors voted last month to modify existing commute period bike rules for an extended 5-month trial period from July 1-December 1, 2013. The move represents the next phase of testing to observe the impact of allowing bikes on board during commute periods. Starting July 1, bikes will be allowed on all trains, including commute hours (7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.), however, bikes are not allowed to board the first three cars of any train to provide options for those who want to avoid bikes altogether.



Other safety rules relating to bikes will still apply such as: no bikes are allowed in the first train car at any time, bikes are

never allowed on crowded trains, bicyclists must yield priority seating to seniors and those with disabilities, bikes are not to block doorways or aisles and are not allowed on escalators. Folding bikes are still allowed on all trains at all times.

A bike etiquette campaign will begin in July to encourage safe and courteous practices.

According to customer surveys, rider acceptance of lifting the ban is increasing, with 76% of respondents supporting the move to allow bikes during the commute. BART is also working to double the number of secure bike parking spots at stations.

As with previous bike pilots, a passenger survey will gather feedback. The Board of Directors will evaluate the pilot before the end of the trial period to decide whether to continue the new rules beyond December 1.

New parking garage at Richmond Station now open



The new 750-space parking garage at BART's Richmond Station is now open. The garage is the only location for parking at the station. The surface lot on the east side of the station is closed. There is a \$1 daily fee for those who park in the garage

between 4 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Change to daily parking fee at six East Bay stations

On June 3, the daily parking fee will increase to \$1.50 at the following stations: Pittsburg/Bay Point, Pleasant Hill/Contra Costa Centre, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, Orinda and Rockridge. This is a 50¢ increase from the current daily fee of \$1.

New parking fees at Colma, Daly City stations

The daily parking fee at the Daly City and Colma Stations increased to \$2.50 on May 20. This is a 50¢ increase from the previous daily fee of \$2.

Three ways to pay for parking

1. **Clipper card:** This is the easiest way to pay for your parking. Sign up in advance at bart.gov/parking to link your Clipper card to a hang tag for your car, and then simply tag the card inside the paid area at a Parking Validation Machine. There is no need to remember your stall number or pay cash on a daily basis.
2. **Cash:** Once inside the faregates enter the stall number from your parking space into an Add Fare Machine; pay in cash, and save your receipt.
3. **Blue Tickets:** once inside the faregates enter the stall number from your parking space into an Add Fare Machine; pay with your blue ticket, and save your receipt. You may only pay with a BART blue ticket if you have entered the faregates with this same ticket.

For BART parking info, visit bart.gov/parking.

Good Times calendar

Juneteenth 2013

Juneteenth is a celebration of African-American history and culture through music, performing arts and other activities. Celebrate on both sides of the Bay this year, in San Francisco and Berkeley.

San Francisco Juneteenth Festival and Parade

Saturday, June 15
11 a.m.-7 p.m.
Fillmore St., between Post and Turk
www.sfjuneteenth.org

>BART: Montgomery Street, transfer to Muni 38 Join in the day-long celebration honoring African American heritage. The parade begins at 11am.

Berkeley Juneteenth Festival

Sunday, June 23
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
www.berkeleyjuneteenth.org
Berkeley's five-block Alcatraz-Adeline corridor

>BART: Ashby

You'll hear African drumming, jazz, blues, neo-soul, gospel, rhythm and blues, and reggae on the main stage, enjoy the health fair and historical exhibits, art for children and a two-on-two basketball tourney in this community celebration.

Love our Lake Day

Sunday, June 9
11 a.m.-4 p.m.
www.loveourlakeday.com
Lake Merritt, Oakland

>BART: Lake Merritt, 12th St./Oakland City Center and 19th St./Oakland

Come out and play, stroll, bike, and paddle Lake Merritt! Oaklavia by the Lake will close three miles of streets around Lake Merritt to vehicle traffic and make way for walkers, bicyclists and strollers to enjoy a day of recreation, exercise, dance, cultural activities and family fun. Over 40 separate activities throughout the day will turn our streets into a people- and community-centered place.

43rd Annual Live Oak Park Fair

Saturday and Sunday, June 8 and 9
10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Live Oak Park, Berkeley

>BART: North Berkeley, Catch free shuttle to Fair This free two-day event featuring over 100 high-caliber artists and craftspeople brings together art collectors and aficionados as well as foodies, families and fun-seekers. The Fair showcases affordable contemporary art, fine crafts, handcrafted jewelry and accessories, clothing, handmade quilts and baskets, plus sculptural and functional objects in clay, fiber, glass, metal and wood. There will also be entertainment and musical acts as well plenty of delicious food to enjoy among the heritage oaks and redwoods.

A free shuttle to the Fair will run every 30 minutes from the North Berkeley BART Station. Wheelchair accessible.

Seafood Celebration

Saturday, June 15

10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ferry Plaza Farmers Market

Foot of Market Street, San Francisco

www.cuesa.org/events/2013/seafood-celebration

>BART: Embarcadero

CUESA and the Ferry Plaza Farmers Market celebrate sustainable seafood. Come down to the market for a day of tasting, learning, and cooking with local fish.

American Night, The Ballad of Juan José

Through June 23

Bruno Amphitheatre, Orinda

www.calshakes.org

>BART: Orinda, Catch free shuttle to Amphitheatre "American Night" brings the groundbreaking work of San Francisco's iconic Culture Clash to Cal Shakes for the very first time. Drawing equally from pop culture and Shakespeare to mint a new kind of history play, writer Richard Montoya has crafted a provocative comedy about one man's dream of becoming an American.

You could be the BART A's Fan of the Game!

Enter this month's contest and you have the chance to win two MVP tickets to the July 3 A's game against the Chicago Cubs, 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 caption (250 characters or fewer) via email to yowin2@bart.gov or by mail to

"A's FAN, BART RIDER," Attention: BART Marketing, 300 Lakeside Drive, Oakland, CA 94612.

Entries must be received by Monday, June 24, 2013 to be eligible. The winning caption will appear in the July BART Times.

Visit bart.gov/fan for more details and contest rules. Go A's. BART...and you're there!

