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The Best of the Bay Area 2010: Readers' Poll

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Best new restaurant
1. Flour + Water: *2401 Harrison S., 415-826-7000, S.F., flourandwater.com*
2. Frances: *3870 17th St., S.F., 415-621-3870, frances-sf.com*
3. RN74: *301 Mission St., S.F., 415-543-7474, michaelmina.net/rn74*

Best uniquely San Francisco restaurant
1. Tadich Grill: *240 California St., S.F., 415-391-1849, tadichgrill.com*
2. Maverick: *3316 17th St., S.F., 415-863-3061, sfmaverick.com*
3. Cliff House: *1090 Point Lobos Ave., S.F., 415-386-3330, cliffhouse.com*

Best weekend brunch
1. Maverick: *3316 17th St., S.F., 415-863-3061, sfmaverick.com*
2. Foreign Cinema: *2534 Mission St., S.F., 415-648-7600, foreigncinema.com*
3. Zazie: *941 Cole St., S.F., 415-564-5332, zaziesf.com*

Best late-night bites
1. Nopa: *560 Divisadero St., S.F., 415-864-8643, nopasf.com*
2. Globe: *290 Pacific Ave., S.F., 415-391-4132, globerestaurant.com*
3. Beretta: *1199 Valencia St., S.F., berettasf.com*

Best sandwich
1. Ike's Place: *3506 16th St., S.F., 415-553-6888, ilikeikesplace.com*
2. Bakesale Betty's fried-chicken sandwich: *5098 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, 510-985-1213, bakesalebetty.com*
3. Saigon Sandwich: *560 Larkin St., S.F., 415-474-5698*

Best cup of coffee
1. Peet's Coffee & Tea: *Various locations, peets.com*
2. Blue Bottle Coffee Company: *Various locations, bluebottlecoffee.net*
3. Philz Coffee: *Various locations, philzcoffee.com*

Best wine store
1. K&L Wine Merchants: 638 4th St., S.F., 415-896-1734, klwines.com
2. BevMo!: Various locations, bevmo.com
3. Trader Joe's: Various locations, traderjoes.com

Best house-cured meats
1. Boccalone Salumeria: *Ferry Building Marketplace, (Market St. at Embarcadero), S.F., 415-433-6500, boccalone.com*
2. Perbacco: *230 California St., S.F., 415-955-0663, perbaccosf.com*

3. Dittmer's Gourmet Meats and Wurst-Haus: *400 San Antonio Rd., Mountain View, 650-941-3800 dittmers.com*

Best dive bar
1. Zeitgeist: *199 Valencia St., S.F., 415-255-7505, zeitgeistsf.com*
2. 500 Club: *500 Guerrero St., S.F., 415-861-2500, fivehundredclub.com*
3A. Gale's Central Club: *106 Petaluma Blvd. N., Petaluma, 707-763-0118*
3B. Homestead: *2301 Folsom St., S.F., 415-282-4663*
3C. Zeki's Bar: *1319 California St., S.F., 415-928-0677, zekisbar.com*

Best Bay Area–based business
1. Apple: *1 Infinite Loop, Cupertino, 408-996-1010, apple.com*
2. Google: *1600 Ampitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, 650-253-0000, google.com*
3. Peet's Coffee & Tea: *1400 Park Ave., Emeryville, 510-594-2100, peets.com*

Best nonprofit event/gala
1. San Francisco General Hospital Foundation's Hearts After Dark: *sfghf.net/hearts_after_dark*
2. San Francisco Symphony's Black & White Ball: *sfsymphony.org/ball*
3. Lifehouse Agency's Great Chefs and Wineries: *lifehouseagency.org*

Best museum late/free night
1. NightLife at the California Academy of Sciences: *55 Music Concourse Dr., S.F., 415-379-8000, calacademy.org/events/nightlife*
2. Friday Nights at the De Young: *50 Hagiwara Tea Garden Dr., S.F., 415-750-3600, deyoung.famsf.org*
3. SFMOMA Thursday Nights: *151 3rd St., S.F., 415-357-4000, sfmoma.org*

Best live entertainment venue
1. Yoshi's: *1330 Fillmore St, S.F., 415-655-5600, yoshis.com*
2. The Fillmore: *1805 Geary Blvd., S.F., 415-346-6000, thefillmore.com*
3. Davies Symphony Hall: *201 Van Ness Ave., S.F., 415-864-6000, sfsymphony.org*

Best local band
1. Hillside Fire: *myspace.com/hillsidefire*
2. Brassworks Band: *brassworksband.com*
3. Big Light: *biglightband.com*

Best radio station
1. 102.1 KDFC: *kdfc.com*
2. 88.5 KQED Public Radio: *kqed.org*
3A. 104.5 KFOG: *kfog.com*
3B. 97.3: Alice *radioalice.com*

Best radio DJs
1. Dianne Nicollini and Hoyt Smith, 102.1 KDFC: *kdfc.com*
2. Sarah and Vinnie, 97.3 Alice: *radioalice.com*
3. Fernando and Greg, Movin 99.7: *movin997.radio.com*

Best TV station
1. Channel 9, KQED/PBS: *2601 Mariposa St., S.F., 415-864-2000, kqed.org*

2. Channel 7, ABC: *900 Front St., S.F., 415-954-7777, abclocal.go.com/kgo*
3. Channel 5, CBS KPIX-TV: *855 Battery St., S.F., 415-362-5550, cbs5.com*

Best site for getting the Bay Area scoop
1. *sfgate.com*
2. *sf.eater.com*
3. *sfist.com*

Best cab service
1. Yellow Cab: *1200 Mississippi St., S.F., 415-333-333, yellowcabsf.com*
2. Luxor Cab: *2230 Jerrold Ave., S.F., 415-282-4141, luxorcab.com*
3. SF Green Cab: *2940 16th St., S.F., 415-626-4733, 626green.com*

Best dog park
1. Point Isabel Dog Park: *2701 Isabel St., Richmond, 888-327-2757, ebparks.org/parks/pt_isabel*
2. Fort Funston Golden Gate National Recreation Area: *500 Skyline Blvd., S.F., fortfunstondog.org*
3. Crissy Field Bldg.: *201, Fort Mason, S.F., 415-561-3000, parksconservancy.org*

Best restaurant in S.F./Oakland Chinatown
1. R&G Executive Lounge: *631 Kearny St., S.F., 415-982-7877, rnglounge.com*
2. House of Nanking: *919 Kearny St., S.F., 415-421-1429*
3. Sam Wo Restaurant: *813 Washington St., S.F., 415-982-0596*

Best steakhouse
1. Ruth's Chris Steakhouse: *1601 Van Ness Ave., S.F., 415-673-0557, ruthschris.com*
2. House of Prime Rib: *1906 Van Ness Ave., S.F., 415-885-4605 houseofprimerib.net*
3. Harris' Restaurant: *2100 Van Ness Ave., S.F., 415-673-1888, harrisrestaurant.com*

Best selection of beer on tap
1. Toronado: *547 Haight St., S.F., 415-863-2276, toronado.com*
2. Monk's Kettle: *3141 16th St., S.F., 415-865-9523, monkskettle.com*
3. Magnolia Gastropub & Brewery: *1398 Haight St., S.F., 415-864-7468, magnoliapub.com*

Best trivia night
1. Edinburgh Castle Pub: *950 Geary St., S.F., 415-885-4074, castlenews.com*
2. The Bitter End: *441 Clement St., S.F., 415-221-9538, www.travelnotes.org/BitterEnd/*
3. Mad Dog in the Fog: *530 Haight St., S.F., 415-626-7279*

Best neighborhood
1. The Mission
2. Noe Valley
3. The Richmond

Best place to dine with a crowd
1. Slanted Door: *1 Ferry Building., S.F., 415-861-8032, slanteddoor.com*
2. Buca di Beppo: *855 Howard St., S.F., 415-543-7673, bucadibeppo.com*
3. Nopa: *560 Divisadero St., S.F., 415-864-8649, nopasf.com*

Best happy hour

1. Americano Bar at Hotel Vitale: *8 Mission St., S.F., 415-278-3777, americanorestaurant.com*
2. Hog Island Oyster Company: *855 Howard St., S.F., 415-543-7673, hogislandoysters.com*
3. Taverna Aventine: *582 Washington St., S.F., 415-981-1500, aventinesf.com*

Best street food
1. Crème Brûlée Cart: *Mission St. and 22nd St., S.F., twitter.com/cremebruleecart*
2. Chez Spencer On the Go: *Across from Terrior Natural Wine Merchant and Bar, 7th & Folsom Sts., S.F., 415-543-7673, spenceronthego.com*
3. The Tamale Lady: *Mission St., S.F.*

Best farmers' market stand
1. Ferry Building Marketplace (all stands): *Market St. at Embarcadero, S.F., ferrybuildingmarketplace.com*
2. Alemany Farmers Market: *100 Alemany Blvd., S.F., 415-647-9423*
3. Dirty Girl Produce: *111 Rathburn Way, Santa Cruz, 831-818-6516*

Best chef
1. Gary Danko: *800 North Point St., S.F. garydanko.com*
2. Roland Passot: *La Folie, 2316 Polk St., S.F., 415-647-9423*, *lafolie.com*
3. Dennis Lee: *Namu, 439 Balboa St., S.F., 415-386-8332, namusf.com*

Best bartender/mixologist
1. Nick Jumonville: *Casanova, 527 Valencia St., S.F. casanovasf.com*
2. Amy Lenz: *Chez Papa, 1401 18th St., S.F., 415-824-8205*, *chezpapa.com*
3. Scott Beattie: *Cyrus, 86 Front St., Healdsburg, 707-433-3311, cyrusrestaurant.com*

Best place to volunteer
1. Glide: *330 Ellis St., S.F., 415-674-6000, glide.org*
2. SF/SPCA: *2500 16th St., S.F., 415-554-3000, sfspca.org*
3A. Family House: *50 Irving St., S.F., 415-476-8321, familyhouseinc.org*
3B. Meals on Wheels: *1375 Fairfax Ave., S.F., 415-920-1111, mowsf.org*

Best bar/club to get styled up for
1. Bourbon & Branch: *501 Jones St., S.F., 415-931-7292, bourbonandbranch.com*
2. 111 Minna Gallery: *111 Minna St., S.F., 415-974-1719, 111minnagallery.com*
3A. Ambassador: *673 Geary St., S.F., 415-563-8192, ambassador415.com*
3B. Top of the Mark: *1 Nob Hill, S.F., 415-616-6916, intercontinentalmarkhopkins.com*

Best daily/weekly e-newsletter
1. eNotes, KDFC: *kdfc.com*
2. SFGate, *San Francisco Chronicle: sfgate.com*
3. The Tablehopper: *tablehopper.com*

Best local celebrity
1. Robin Williams: *robinwilliams.com*
2. Willie Brown: *wlbinstitute.org*
3. Gavin Newsom: *gavinnewsom.com*

Best movie theater
1. Sundance Kabuki Cinema: *1881 Post St., S.F., 415-929-4650, sundancecinemas.com*

2. The Balboa Theater: *3630 Balboa St., S.F., 415-221-8184, balboamovies.com*
3. The Castro Theatre: *429 Castro St., S.F., 415-621-6120, castrotheatre.com*

Best local fashion designer
1. Babette: *361 Sutter St., S.F., 415-837-1442, babettesf.com*
2. Christopher Collins: *1112 Sutter St., S.F., 415-440-2464, christophercollinscollection.com*
3A. Jessica McClintock: *180 Geary St., 4th Fl., S.F., 415-398-9008, jessicamcclintock.com*
3B. Sunhee Moon: *3167 16th St., S.F., 415-355-1800, sunheemoon.com*

Best pamper spot
1. Johnny Bueno Color Studio: *166 Geary St., Ste. 1005, S.F., 415-362-2668, johnny-bueno.com*
2. Kabuki Springs & Spa: *1750 Geary Blvd., S.F., 415-992-6000, kabukisprings.com*
3. Nob Hill Spa at the Huntington Hotel: *1075 California St., S.F., 415-345-2888, nobhillspa.com*

Best salon
1. Johnny Bueno Color Studio: *166 Geary St., Ste. 1005, S.F., 415-362-2668, johnny-bueno.com*
2. Milváli: *2040 Union St., S.F., 415-409-1500, milvali.com*
3. Di Pietro Todd: *1919 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek, 925-938-1919, dipietrotodd.com (see website for other locations)*

Best getaway in San Francisco
1. Golden Gate Park: *parks.sfgov.org*
2. Presidio: *nps.gov/goga*
3. Ocean Beach: *nps.gov/goga*

Best pizza
1. Zachary's: *1853 Solano Ave., Berkeley, 510-525-5950, zacharys.com (see website for other locations)*
2. Pizzeria Delfina: *3611 18th St., S.F., 415-437-6800, pizzeriadelfina.com*
3. Little Star Pizza: *400 Valencia St., S.F., 415-551-7827; 846 Divisadero St., S.F., 415-441-1118; littlestarpizza.com*

Best artisan baker
1. Acme Bread Co.: *Ferry Building Marketplace (Market St. at Embarcadero), S.F., 415-288-2978, ferrybuildingmarketplace.com*
2. Tartine: *600 Guerrero St., S.F., 415-487-2600, tartinebakery.com*
3. Arizmendi Bakery: *1331 9th Ave., S.F., 415-566-3117, arizmendibakery.com (see website for other locations)*

Best vegetarian restaurant
1. Greens: *Fort Mason, Bldg. A, , S.F., 415-771-6222, greensrestaurant.com*
2. Millennium: *580 Geary St., S.F., 415-345-3900, millenniumrestaurant.com*
3. Café Gratitude: *2400 Harrison St., S.F., 415-830-3014, cafegratitude.com (see website for other locations)*

Best weeknight party
1. NightLife at the California Academy of Sciences: *55 Music Concourse Dr., S.F., 415-379-8000, calacademy.org/events/nightlife*

2. Cat Club: *1190 Folsom St., S.F., 415-703-8965, sfcatclub.com*
3. Latin American Club: *3286 22nd St., S.F., 415-647-2732*

Best bar for watching the game
1. Kezar Pub & Restaurant: *770 Stanyan St., S.F., 415-386-9292*
2. Pete's Tavern: *128 King St., S.F., 415-817-5040, petestavernsf.com*
3. Greens Sports Bar: *2239 Polk St., S.F., 415-775-4287*

Best thrift/consignment store
1. Goodwill: *86 11th St., S.F., 415-575-2197, sfgoodwill.org (see website for other locations)*
2. Thrift Town: *2101 Mission St., S.F., 415-861-1132, thrifttown.com*
3. Crossroads Trading Co.: *630 Irving St., S.F., 415-681-0100, crossroadstrading.com (see website for other locations)*

Best place to get fit
1. Club One: *2 Embarcadero Center, S.F., 415-788-1010, clubone.com (see website for other locations)*
2. JCC: *3200 California St., S.F., 415-292-1200, jccsf.com*
3. 24 Hour Fitness: *100 California St., Ste. 200, S.F., 415-434-5080, 24hourfitness.com (see website for other locations)*

Best park for kids
1. Golden Gate Park: *parks.sfgov.org*
2. Julius Kahn Playground: *West Pacific Ave. (bet. Arguello and Presidio gates), S.F., 415-831-2700*

Best local author
1. Amy Tan: *amytan.net*
2. Dave Eggers
3. Isabel Allende: *isabelallende.com*

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