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The Silicon Valley Wine Auction (SVWA) is an annual charity auction produced by
the Santa Cruz Mountains Winegrowers Association (SCMWA) and the Silicon
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Santa Cruz Mountains Wine region.

JANUARY 2015 PASSPORT
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PINOT PARADISE 2015 Santa Cruz Mountains
March 20 @ 1:00 pm - March 22 @ 5:00 pm
The Mountain Winery, 14831 Pierce Rd, Saratoga, CA 95070
Enjoy three days in the Santa Cruz Mountains by participating in Pinot Paradise!
This three day event invites you to come learn, explore and taste the Pinot Noirs
produced from our legendary winemakers.

APRIL 2015 PASSPORT  April 18
Participating Santa Cruz Mountains Wineries, Santa Cruz, CA 95070
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SVCA Event at Byington Winery
Invitation to follow

INVITATION COMING SOON
SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES

Winter Fest 2015 is just around the corner. Happening Feb 27 - Mar 8, we introduce a mix of young artists pushing the envelope of jazz and R&B, as well as legends who embody fundamental straight-ahead chops. This two-week celebration features concerts, multiple dance parties, master classes and more.

When:
Jan 22, 2015 @ 6:00pm

Where
California Theatre | 345 South First St., San Jose, CA

Cost:$25 Film

CreaTV San Jose, Norman Kline Productions and History San Jose present the World Premiere of Changing Boundaries: The History of San Jose – the story of the working people, political leaders and dreamers who built the City of San Jose.

Narrated by actor Peter Coyote, and featuring an original musical score by Grammy nominee Robert Berry of Soundtek Studios, this first-of-its-kind documentary features interviews with key historical figures, from farmers to civic leaders, including Tom McEnery, Blanca Alvarado and Norm Mineta. Other notable interviewees include historians Terry Christensen, Nannette Regua and Steven Millner.

Produced by Norman Kline and CreaTV San Jose and directed by Tricia Creason-Valencia, the film’s production includes a key collaboration with History San Jose, which provided archival photography and documents.

http://sanjosetheaters.org/ai1ec_event/film-premiere-changing-boundaries-the-history-of-san-jose/

Award Winning San Jose Florist offering World Wide Delivery
Happy New Year! We love January for its new beginnings, fresh starts, or at the very least, the ability to wish and strive for these things! Speaking of all things new, we’ve picked three fresh and fun events that we hope are new to you! If not, you can find more new things to do at LiveSV.com!

Come join us as we combine two of the most epic festivals in the world! Color Fun Fest brings the Holi Festival and the electronic dance movement together for the first time with a day-and-night glowing color 5K run! For more information, Click Here or call 972-213-4796.

**Date:** January 31, 2015  
**Location:** Santa Clara County Fairgrounds in San Jose  
**Cost:** $20 Adults (12 & under Free)

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**South First Fridays** is an eclectic evening of arts and culture in downtown San Jose’s SoFA District every first Friday of the month. Be surprised as the doors open to eclectic galleries and unique art installations. Enjoy music and special programming in the streets. Participating art venues include Anno Domini, MACLA, San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, Kaleid Gallery, Phantom Galleries, and more. For more information, Click Here.

**Date:** 1st Friday (Monthly)  
**Location:** SOFA District in Downtown San Jose  
**Cost:** Free!

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Come join chef Kaz Matsune for a fun, educational and delicious Sushi Class—great for sushi lovers, couples, families, and first-time sushi cooks. Since 2011, Kaz Matsune has been teaching sushi classes to over 2,000 people, bringing over fourteen years of professional culinary experience to the table.

For more information, Click Here or call 415-533-7275.

**Date:** January 10, 2015  
**Location:** Artistic Kitchen in Mountain View  
**Cost:** $99

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**Symphony Silicon Valley Performs Fantasia for Valentine’s Day**  
**Live Symphony Orchestra with Huge Movie Screen**

A Valentine love story between Symphony Silicon Valley and Disney’s Fantasia will be celebrated on February 14 and 15 at San Jose’s Center for Performing Arts.

The performance is an amalgam of the original 1940 Walt Disney film and Disney’s Fantasia 2000 update. It will be projected in high definition on a huge screen, while the classic soundtrack is performed by Symphony Silicon Valley live on stage.

“This performance is also a love story between the magic of film and the love of music,” said Andrew Bales, President of Symphony Silicon Valley. “And it is not too early to think about Valentine’s gifts for EVERYONE you love.”

Box office Monday – Friday 10 AM to 5 PM at 408 286 2600 or visit www.fantasiassv.org
Lecture Series:
Join us in 2015 for History Happy Hour. 5:30-7:30pm inside the Ainsley House each month we will offer interesting topics, light snack, wine Reservations will be required Tickets will be $15. Reservations will begin February 2, 2015.
**Beginning February 27, 2015** we will kick off the first of our lecture series with a talk on Why Design Matters
Other upcoming lectures will be:
**March 27**: Joe Yatsuke, Vice President of the Board of Director of the Japanese American Museum, discussing his experience as a Japanese internee during WWII.
**April 24**: Dr. Eugene Cordero, a professor at SJSU in the Dept. of Meteorology and Climatology will be discussing climate change in celebration of Earth Day.
**May 8**: Local Historian Ray Cosyn will speak about the inter-urban railroad that ran through the Santa Clara Valley
**June 26**: Local Historian April Halberstadt will discuss Abolitionist Jon Brown and his widow and eleven family members that ended up in the Saratoga area.
More information will be posted on our Museum website in 2015: [www.cityofcampbell.com/museum](http://www.cityofcampbell.com/museum)

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**Venus in Fur**
When Wed Feb 4
Where San Jose Stage Company
A playwright/director can’t find the right woman to star in his adaptation of the 19th century erotic power exchange novel Venus in Furs. He auditions one last actress who seems to embody all the flaws he decries but whose almost innate understanding of the character sweeps them into an experience that blurs the lines between real life and the script they’re reading.

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**SAN JOSE MUSEUM OF ART**
February 5, 2015 – August 2, 2015
Postdate: Photography and Inherited History in India
Taking history into their own hands, nine contemporary Indian artists mine the photographic traditions in India as a means to challenge outmoded narratives, share hidden stories, and make personal connections with the past. They draw on a diverse range of sources, from ethnographic photographs made at the height of the colonial era to hand-painted studio portraits and stills from Bollywood movies. Marking the US debut of several of the featured artists, this exhibition deepens our understanding of the legacy of colonialism and celebrates new and socially engaged modes of image-making in India. The exhibition will include works by Madhuban Mitra and Manas Bhattacharya, Nandan Ghiya, Gauri Gill, Jitish Kallat, Annu Palakunnathu Matthew, Pushpamala N., Raqs Media Collective, Vivan Sundaram, and Surekha.

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**Tunes & Tasting with Hootenanny!**
Sunday, January 18th
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wine tasting is better with live music! Visit The Mountain Winery tasting room for Tunes and Tasting. Admission for the event is free. Wine tasting flights (ranging from $10 - $20) will be available for purchase, along with beer and light food.

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JANUARY CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS:
Here are just a few of the events going on this month, selected by Discover Silicon Valley magazine. For a complete calendar, visit www.dineshopplay.com/events_main

TICKLING THE IVORIES… Two piano students reach the edge of genius only to fall an octave short of stardom in 2 Pianos 4 Hands (Jan 14-Feb 6), a comic coming-of-age story presented by TheatreWorks. Featuring two grand pianos and a gallery of pushy parents and eccentric teachers, this acclaimed international hit captures the agony and ecstasy of anyone who’s ever struggled to be the best—at anything! Featuring the music of Bach, Beethoven, Billy Joel and Jerry Lee Lewis, this humorous musical provides the chance for two performers to give their all in a 120-minute virtuoso performance. Tue-Wed, 7:30pm; Thurs-Fri, 8pm; Sat, 2 and/or 8pm; Sun, 2 and/or 7pm. (Mountain View: Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St.; 650/903-6000; www.theatreworks.org)

NOTHIN’ BUT NET: The beloved Harlem Globetrotters (Jan 9 & 16-17) take center court showcasing their amazing basketball skills. With the signature theme song, “Sweet Georgia Brown” playing along, these talented performers throw impossible shots from center court; make incredible slam dunks; show off their dribbling mastery, fancy footwork and maneuvering; and handle the ball as if it were an extension of their own bodies. Adding to the fun are comedy routines and jokes that make this a family-friendly experience. Sat, 7pm; Sun, 12pm. (San Jose: SAP Center, 525 W. Santa Clara St.; 408/287-9200. www.harlemglobetrotters.com)

Show info: The Midnight Show
The Midnight Show is an improv show conceived for an adult audience with an edgier theme and content. It was developed at the request of fans that enjoyed the traditional ComedySportz show, but were searching for the occasional alternative diversion.

How is it different from the regular ComedySportz show?
Most of the improv scenes and games in a ComedySportz show are between 3-5 minutes in length. This format is commonly called “short-form” improvisation. The Midnight Show uses a format known as “long-form” improvisation—a typical show will consist of two scenes that last anywhere from 25-40 minutes in length. In the ComedySportz format, the performers are divided into two teams, but they play together in one group for The Midnight Show. There are no judges, referees, or penalties for the performers if they don’t keep the content clean. For this reason The Midnight Show is suitable only for ages 18 and above. In fact, nobody under the age of 18 is admitted. Tickets are normally $10, but if you buy a ticket to the ComedySportz show at 7pm you can stay for The Midnight Show for free!

REMEMBER…THE NEXT TIME YOU RSVP!
“Mr. Manners has something to say. At a recent event, 30% of the 100 people who had signed up to attend were no-shows. At an even more recent party, half of the 48 people who had RSVP’d their attendance didn’t put in an appearance, and only three of them called to apologize. Now, discourtesy is fairly common in the ‘2014’S—too many people don’t bother to reply when an RSVP is requested. But when the do say they’re coming—and then don’t—that leaves the hosts hanging with a lot of leftovers and a distinctly bummed out impression of the inconsiderate wretches. Don’t let this be you. And don’t think nobody will notice. They still have your name tags.”
( Please remember this next time you RSVP for a SVCA event. Thank you!)
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