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The San Jose Earthquakes will be playing their biggest game of the year at Stanford Stadium vs. LA Galaxy on Saturday, June 27th at 7:30pm. Following the game, the Earthquakes will put on what many consider the best Fireworks Spectacular in the Bay Area. For this game, the Earthquakes will be offering specially discounted tickets to all VAM Subscribers to attend the big game.

In addition, the Earthquakes will be hosting their 6th Annual Budweiser Corporate Cup on the morning of the Stanford Stadium game and would like to invite companies, small businesses, non-profits organizations and adult soccer teams to participate. The Corporate Cup is a great opportunity to compete against and network with other Silicon Valley companies. In addition to various mentions of your company name on their website and social media, the Earthquakes will be providing a fully catered lunch and beverages (soft drinks and beer) to all participating teams. Most importantly, the Earthquakes will be donating 100 tickets to the PG & E Kicks for Kids charity for every team that registers.

For more information on group pricing and/or the VIP Earthquakes Experience, please contact Ryan Trujillo at rtrujillo@sjearthquakes.com or to his direct phone line at (408) 556-7763.

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Annual Poolside Summer Fashion Shows
Saturday, June 6th, 1pm & 4pm

Things are heating up and the coolest place to be this summer is the Santana Row Summer Fashion Shows. Join us this year poolside at Misora where we will showcase the must-have looks for this summer from Santana Row retailers. This year’s ticket includes a pre-show cocktail reception with light bites & champagne. After the shows, pick-up your must-have looks while enjoying in-store after parties with exclusive shopping discounts. The fashion show programs serve as the post-show passport with live DJs, champagne and exclusive shopping discounts. Tickets are $50 and can be purchased at SantanaRow.com or inside the Santana Row Concierge office with CASH only.

Ilululemon athletica Presents Cooking with Hugh Acheson
June 9th, 6pm, Santana Row Park

Ilululemon athletica presents an event with Hugh Acheson—a James Beard award winning chef and celebrated Top Chef finalist. The evening starts with a chef demonstration in Santana Row Park at 6pm where Acheson will share recipes from his latest book, The Broad Fork. Directly following the demo, Acheson will be available inside of Ilululemon for questions and a book signing. This event is free and open to the public, for more information contact Ilululemon athletica Santana Row at 408.557.8721.

SAVE THE DATE: The Beer Walk
July 29th, 6pm-9pm

Mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Santana Row Beer Walk! Stroll The Row and sample 20-plus beers while enjoying special shopping and dining offers. The Beer Walk features local microbreweries, who will be set-up inside of participating shops and restaurants, making it easy to sip and stroll. Tickets are $30 and are on-sale now, visit www.SantanaRow.com for more information.

Summer Yoga Series Presented by Ilululemon athletica
Saturday Mornings, through September, Registration at 8:30am

Join Ilululemon athletica every Saturday morning through September for a complimentary Summer Yoga Series! Registration opens at 8:30am in Park Valencia with a 1-hour class beginning at 9am. The series will feature instructors from different studios in the South Bay area. Please be our guest and enjoy outdoor yoga all summer long! For more information on instructors, contact the Santana Row Ilululemon store directly at 408.557.8721.

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At the end of his article, Henry Alford makes this observation: “In the end, it may be all but impossible to keep ourselves from scattering our online attentions to the point of meaninglessness. Eschewing the Internet altogether is an option.” The author’s mother had this to say about her neighbors in the retirement community where half of the seniors are not online: “A lot of them are scared to death by the whole idea, by the infernal machine. You know the pathetic fallacy, where you ascribe human qualities to nonhuman things? It’s that. They ascribe human qualities to the computer. Like the computer is going to reach out and grab them.” The seniors who made that observation were validated by the final words of the article: “They’re entirely right.”

2. Hotels Are Helping Children Sleep Tight.
The article in the N.Y. Times is under the heading “Trending”. It describes what some hotels, such as the Hilton Waikoloa Village in Hawaii or the Ritz Carlton on Amelia Island in Florida are doing to creatively enable their younger guests to tuck in peacefully. To me, it’s yet a new way to help parents divest themselves from something most of us grew up with when being tucked in as children at night: Reading a story! To cite one example of the new - and I am sure chargeable – service to the guest’s children, an elaborate “tuck-in” service to expand on the traditional bedtime story reading: The Ritz-Carlton offers a “Pirate Tuck In” bedtime story option with costumed actors as well as a real blue and gold macaw, homemade cookies and milk, and a faux treasure chest that is brought to the room to familiarize children with the island’s buccaneer history. The Great Wolf Lodges offer pajama stories by the fireplace at 8:00 p.m. It is free to guests, otherwise costs $65. At Rosewood San Miguel de Allende in Mexico, a Cocoon Massage employs a natural lavender patch to soothe the nervous system (ages 6 and up; $85 for 60 minutes.

As our readers can see, there is virtually no limit to what the hospitality industry has in its repertoire of services. Insomnia, especially when experienced in an unfamiliar environment, can be burdensome.

Your comments are always welcome
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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

A ROMP FOR YOUR TASTE BUDS…Take your taste buds on a delicious romp during Dine Downtown San Jose (June 19-28), when the area’s top-billed restaurants roll out their red carpets and pull out all of their culinary stops at this annual 10-day event. Don’t miss out on this delectable opportunity to try out three-course prix-fixe specialty dishes and experience five-star service at a fraction of the cost. Some of Silicon Valley’s premier restaurants will present specially-crafted menus that explore San Jose’s diverse culinary treasures—a true destination point for food aficionados in search of quality dining experiences. For over 30 years, the festival has showcased the talents of many of the greatest jazz artists around, including David Brubeck, Herbie Hancock, Joe Henderson, and many other legendary performers. This year brings the SFJ’s most ambitious lineup to date, with June performances featuring Brazilian songstress Eliane Elias (6/20); jazz/funk duo John Scofield and John Medeski (6/21); cowboy jazz musicians Bruce Forman and Cow Bop (6/26); jazz violinist Regina Carter (6/27); and Indian jazz musicians George Brooks with Vikku Vinayakram and V. Selvaganesh (6/27). See website for times and complete schedule. (Palo Alto: Stanford University campus, various venues; 650/725-ARTS; stanfordjazz.org)

HOME AND GARDEN BACCHANALIA…Delight in all that Northern California has to offer at Sunset Magazine Celebration Weekend (June 6-7), one of the region’s most anticipated summertime events. Presented by West Coast lifestyle magazine Sunset, this home and garden festival held at the magazine’s beautiful, seven-acre Menlo Park headquarters, celebrates the area’s freshest flavors, home and garden ideas, and travel inspiration. The event brings together celebrity chefs, design experts, gardening gurus and more for a weekend of culinary education, wine tastings, gourmet offerings, home improvement seminars, DIY workshops, live entertainment, and tons more. This year’s guests include chef extraordinaire and popular TV host Martin Yan, garden/design author Baylor Chapman, and award-winning ecological designer Jessi Bloom, among many others. With a bevy of culinary and design stars presenting over 20 seminars, attendees are guaranteed to leave full of fresh ideas for the kitchen and home. For a full list of guests and seminars, visit website. 10am-5pm. (Menlo Park: Sunset Magazine Headquarters, 80 Willow Rd.; www.sunset.com/cw)

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GLASS IT UP!…Enlivening San Jose’s SOFA District and surrounding area with plenty of activity, the 44th Annual Glass Art Conference is expected to host over 4,000 glass art enthusiasts from around the world, June 5-7. Coinciding with the SubZero Festival (see page ??), a celebration of emerging and present local subcultures, this year’s theme explores the interface of technology and art, and its role in modern glass art. Among the many conferences and independent exhibitions presented during this annual event, the Carmen Castellano Fine Art Gallery (San Jose City College) features a special exhibition titled “Sparks: California Glass Network’s 1950’s to Present,” a showcasing of California glass artists, as well as independent glass studios and practitioners. The Fairmont Hotel, Tech Museum of Innovation and the Plaza de César Chávez are the conference epicenter, with other venues such as San Jose State University and the Bay Area Glass Institute (BAGI) just a short, free shuttle ride away. Whether you’re a glass art aficionado or simply curious, this is the perfect opportunity to glass it up! For a complete schedule and gallery listings see website. (San Jose: Various locations; www.glassart.org)

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A HEAVENLY STAGE CONCOCTION…In TheatreWorks’ production of Fallen Angels—Noël Coward’s delightful concoction of elegant wit, effervescent charm and sophisticated laughter—long-time friends Jane and Julia learn that the dashing French flame they shared years ago is back in town and eager for a reunion. With husbands on holiday and plenty of bubbly to banish reserve, conspiracy gives way to competition in this scandalous hit of 1925. Though topics of drunkenness and sex before marriage are not so taboo these days, this comedy classic is still relevant and the humorous elements certainly withstand the test of time. All in all, the play begs the question: Are these young ladies truly fallen angels or just thoroughly modern? You decide. Runs from June 3-28. Tues-Wed, 7:30pm; Thurs-Fri, 8pm; Sat, 2 & 8pm; Sun, 1 & 6:30pm. (San Jose: Center for the Performing Arts, 255 Almaden Blvd.; 408/295-9600)

SEE IT TO BELIEVE IT…Presented by Broadway San Jose, The Illusionists is a mind-blowing spectacular that showcases the jaw-dropping talents of seven of today’s most incredible modern-day illusionists. Witness stunning acts of grand illusion, levitation, mind reading, disappearance, and for the first time ever in history, a full view water torture escape. Shattering box office records across the globe and dazzling audiences of all ages with a powerful mix of the most outrageous and astonishing ever to be seen on stage, this adrenaline-infused show is packed with thrilling and sophisticated magic of unprecedented proportions. Runs from June 9-14. Tues-Thurs, 7:30pm; Fri, 8pm; Sat, 2 & 8pm; Sun, 1 & 6:30pm. (San Jose: Center for the Performing Arts, 255 Almaden Blvd.; 408/295-9600)

STANFORD GETS JAZZY…Live music concerts are a favorite local summer staple, and the Stanford Jazz Festival (June 19-Aug 8) never fails to deliver the best sounds around, attracting over 15,000 jazz fans from all over. Held on the gorgeous Stanford University campus (including the prestigious Bing Concert Hall) and put together by the Stanford Jazz Workshop, this popular season-long series represents the rich history of jazz, as well as the diversity and creative fertility of the contemporary jazz scene. For over 30 years, the festival has showcased the talents of many of the greatest jazz artists around, including David Brubeck, Herbie Hancock, Joe Henderson, and many other legendary performers. This year brings the SFJ’s most ambitious lineup to date, with June performances featuring Brazilian songstress Eliane Elias (6/20); jazz/funk duo John Scofield and John Medeski (6/21); cowboy jazz musicians Bruce Forman and Cow Bop (6/26); jazz violinist Regina Carter (6/27); and Indian jazz musicians George Brooks with Vikku Vinayakram and V. Selvaganesh (6/27). See website for times and complete schedule. (Palo Alto: Stanford University campus, various venues; 650/725-ARTS; stanfordjazz.org)

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