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ART

**The Valley Art Gallery** presents "Wintermission" from Jan. 8 through Feb. 2. This show between shows features selected works by gallery artists designed to brighten and warm even the longest winter days. Reflecting a wide range of motifs, styles and media, the show continues a mission to represent the best of the best of more than 100 East Bay artists. [www.valleyartgallery.org](http://www.valleyartgallery.org)

**Bedford Gallery, located in the Leshar Center** for the Arts, offers enriching, educational volunteer opportunities. Train to become a docent from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, Jan. 16, 23, 30 and Feb. 6, 13. Docent volunteering is fun and provides opportunities to make friends, learn about art, and help foster the arts in our community. No prior art knowledge is required. To sign up, contact Carmen Kelly at (925) 295-1416 or [kelly@bedfordgallery.org](mailto:kelly@bedfordgallery.org). Learn more at: [www.bedfordgallery.org/support/volunteer](http://www.bedfordgallery.org/support/volunteer)

**The Moraga Art Gallery** presents its new show, "A Sense of

Place," running from Jan. 9 to March 16 and featuring Wenda Pyman's beguiling landscape photographs, which call to mind the camera work of Ansel Adams and Eliot Porter. For more information, visit [www.moragaartgallery.com](http://www.moragaartgallery.com) or call (925) 376-5407.

**Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery is proud** to present an exhibition featuring 16 glass artists from the Association of Clay and Glass Artists of California. This exhibit features a variety of wall and pedestal art glass - sculptural, conceptual, and decorative. The exhibit opens with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Feb. 7, and runs through March 2. There will also be a discussion with artists and jurors at 4 p.m. on Feb. 9. [www.jenniferperlmuttergallery.com](http://www.jenniferperlmuttergallery.com).

MUSIC

**Drum, Relax & Learn at the monthly** Lamorinda Drum Circle from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Monday Feb. 4. Enjoy learning to drum in a fun small-group environment. Drums are provided. Lamorinda Music, 81 Lafayette Circle,

Lafayette. We meet at this time and place on the first Monday of each month. Suggested donation \$10-\$20. [www.MusicForTherapy.com](http://www.MusicForTherapy.com).

**The Gold Coast Chamber Players** present one of the leading quartets of our time, the St. Lawrence String Quartet along with three-time Grammy-nominated clarinetist, Todd Palmer at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Lafayette Library Community Hall. The program offers an unprecedented musical, emotional, and spiritual experience with chamber music spanning four centuries. From Haydn and Beethoven, to Berger and Golijov, this unique program is not to be missed! Tickets \$15 - 45 <https://gcplayers.tix.com/Event.aspx?EventCode=1079081> or call (925) 283-3728. [www.gcplayers.org](http://www.gcplayers.org).

THEATER

**Diablo Ballet opens the new year** with the second program of its landmark 25th Season, Balanchine and Beyond, Feb. 1 and 2, at the Del Valle Theatre in Walnut Creek. This program features three ballets including

the classic masterpiece Apollo by George Balanchine. Immediately following each performance, ticket holders are invited to stay for a post-performance Q&A with our dancers, choreographers and musicians followed by a dessert and coffee reception where you can meet and mingle with the dancers. Single tickets are \$15-\$47. For tickets and showtimes, call (925) 943-SHOW (7469) or visit [www.lesherartscenter.org](http://www.lesherartscenter.org). For more information, visit [www.diabloballet.org](http://www.diabloballet.org).

**Children's Theatre Production, "Miss Nelson Is Missing!"** directed by Saint Mary's Theatre Professor Will Huddleston. The play is adapted from the book by Harry Allard and James Marshall, with book, music, and lyrics by Joan Cushing runs from Tuesday, Jan. 29, through Friday, Feb. 1, at the LeFevre Theatre at Saint Mary's College, 1928 St. Mary's Road in Moraga. The story follows the misbehaving students of Room 207, the worst behaved in the entire school. With spitballs flying across the room and paper airplanes sailing in every direction, their gentle yet long-suffering teacher has reached

her wit's end. For tickets and showtimes go to [www.stmarys-ca.edu/missnelson](http://www.stmarys-ca.edu/missnelson) or at the box office, 30 minutes to curtain. Information only: (925) 631-4670. Please note, many performances are already sold out.

**Town Hall Theatre's staged reading series "In the Wings"** presents a one-night only reading of "BOY," a moving new play about gender identity by Anna Ziegler. "BOY" will have one performance only at 8 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 4 at Town Hall Theatre Company, 3535 School Street, in Lafayette. Tickets are \$10 general admission and free to subscribers, and are available through the Box Office at (925) 283-1557 or online at [www.TownHallTheatre.com](http://www.TownHallTheatre.com).

**Town Hall Theatre Company presents** Brooklyn Bridge by Melissa James Gibson, directed by M. Graham Smith Feb. 28 through March 23. Tickets and showtimes are available at [TownHallTheatre.com](http://TownHallTheatre.com) or by calling (925) 283-1557. The theatre is located at 3535 School Street in Lafayette.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

**KPFA Radio 94.1 FM presents Ha Jin:** The Banished Immortal: A Life of Li Po from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at Berkeley Hillside Club, 2286 Cedar St, Berkeley. Ha Jin will discuss his new book, "The Banished Immortal: A Life of Li Po," answer questions and sign books. Hosted by Jack Foley. Cost: \$12 advance, \$15 door. For more info see <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3918550> or call (510) 967-4495.

**A Panel Discussion on Fixing Our Tattered Democracy** from 1-3 p.m., doors open at 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 26 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette. The outstanding panel includes: Trent Lange, president of the California Clean Money Campaign that led to the success of the DISCLOSE Act; Ann Ravel, former commissioner of the Federal Election Commission and precious chair of the CA Fair Political Practices Commission; Jay Costa, the executive director at Voter's Right to Know and Michele Sutter, the coordinator of Money Out Voters In in Southern California and the co-chair of the statewide ballot measure - Proposition 59 that asks our legislators to do all they can to seek increased regulation of campaign spending and contributions. For further information email [moneyoutnow@yahoo.com](mailto:moneyoutnow@yahoo.com) or call (925) 878-9288. The free event is being organized by Contra Costa MoveOn.

**Discovering Opera: Jake Heggie's "Moby Dick"** from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Jan. 31 in the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Arts and Science Room. "Moby Dick" is an opera based on the classic novel by Herman Melville. Set in 1820, it tells the story of Captain Ahab of the whaling ship Pequod, who after losing one of his legs to a frightening white whale, becomes obsessed with finding and destroying the creature at any cost. Lecturer Bradford Wade will give a guided tour of the opera, with a description of the plot interspersed with musical examples. This lecture is given in conjunction with Opera San Jose's production of "Moby Dick," Feb. 9-24. Free.

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