



A Bay Gourmet Get-Away

*The Roses of Pasadena:*  
*Art, Food, and Entrepreneurial Women*  
September 17-19, 2010



## Dear Club Member,

Sitting at the foot of the San Gabriel Mountains, Pasadena has played a key role in California's history. In 1886, it became the second incorporated city in Southern California after Los Angeles. Today, it is an upscale community with a thriving arts, cultural, and entertainment scene. It is best known for the Tournament of Roses Parade and Bowl Game that take place every New Year's Day.

I invite you to join **Bay Gourmet Chair, Cathy Curtis** for a weekend get-away to the "City of Roses." This program explores the culinary and cultural highlights of Pasadena, with a focus on entrepreneurial women in the food industry.

These Bay Gourmet events are popular, and fill up quickly. Our group is limited to 18, so call soon to reserve your space!

Best regards,



Kristina Nemeth  
Director of Club Travel  
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### HIGHLIGHTS

- **Meet Pasadena's culinary industry insiders**, including a top caterer, restaurateurs, and gourmet market owners.
- Experience private tours at the **Norton Simon Museum of Art**, and the **Huntington Library, Art Collection and Botanical Gardens**.
- Enjoy an exquisite **catered dinner in a private home** and enjoy a **lovely afternoon tea lunch** while admiring the rose gardens at the Huntington Museum.
- Explore the **Pasadena Farmers' Market** and learn about the city's history during a **culinary and tasting tour** of Old Pasadena.

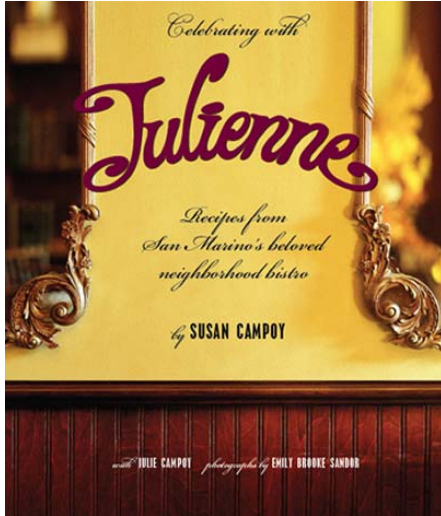
### COMMONWEALTH CLUB TRIP LEADER



**Cathy Curtis** has been a member of the Commonwealth Club for 15 years and has been an active volunteer since 2000, most recently as the Chair of the Bay Gourmet Member-Led Forum. Prior to her current career as a Certified Financial Planner and owner of Curtis Financial Planning, Cathy spent 20 years in sales and marketing in the food industry. She is a passionate advocate for healthy eating, sustainable food systems and supporting local farms and food businesses. Cathy is on the advisory board for Meals For Change, a social enterprise kitchen that uses 100% of revenue to support non-profit nutritional and job training programs and for BALT, the Brentwood Agricultural Land Trust. She is a native San Franciscan, and lives in the Oakland Hills with her husband Rob.

## Friday, September 17

Arrive independently on a morning flight to Burbank. (Additional hotel nights are available if you would like to come in on Thursday evening, and shuttle service can be arranged from Los Angeles International airport. Daily parking at the hotel is available should you choose to drive.)



Our tour starts late Friday morning. Meet with **Julie Campoy** the owner of **Julienne**, a French-inspired bistro that has been a neighborhood mainstay for more than two decades. Enjoy lunch with fellow Club members and peruse Julie's gourmet market.

This afternoon we take a private tour of the **Norton Simon Museum of Art**. Located along the Tournament of Roses route and renovated in 1995 under architect Frank Gehry, the Norton Simon houses an internationally respected collection of European and Asian art, as well as an extensive collection of Modern and Contemporary Art, with seminal works by Pablo Picasso, Georges Braque, Henri Matisse, and Diego Rivera.

Transfer to the centrally located Marriott Hotel in Old Pasadena for check-in.

Enjoy some free time to explore the shops along Colorado Boulevard before our dinner at **Gale's**, a local favorite, offering northern Italian cuisine. Hear from our host for the evening, restaurant owner **Gale Kohl**. A 20-year veteran of the industry, Gale previously ran the food service accounts for a host of entertainment giants including Walt Disney Imagineering, ABC and CBS television, and the Gene Autry Museum.

OLD PASADENA COURTYARD MARRIOTT (L,D)

## Saturday, September 18



Depart for a morning visit of the **Pasadena Farmers Market** with local insiders, including Peggy Dark. For over two decades, Peggy Dark's *Kitchen for Exploring Foods* has provided exceptional catering to southern California. "The Kitchen" has received the Zagat Award of Distinction, and has been featured in the New York Times and on NBC's "Today Show."

Discover the **Huntington Library, Art Collection and Botanical Gardens** where we enjoy a private estate tour.



The library contains an extensive collection of rare books and manuscripts, including a Gutenberg Bible. The art collection consists of the works of 18th and 19th century British and French artists and 18th, 19<sup>th</sup>, and early 20th century American artists, as well as changing exhibitions. The best known works of British art are "The Blue Boy" by Thomas Gainsborough and Sarah Barrett Moulton and "Pinkie" by Thomas Lawrence. The impressive botanical gardens extend over 120 acres!

Enjoy an "afternoon tea" lunch at the museum's **Tea Room**, which overlooks three acres of roses.

We continue to the **Gamble House**, an outstanding example of American Arts and Crafts style architecture. The house and furnishings were designed by Charles and Henry Greene in 1908 for David and Mary Gamble of the Procter and Gamble Company, and is a National Historic Landmark.

This evening engage in a panel discussion with women entrepreneurs in the culinary industry, followed by an exquisite **catered dinner in the private home of Peggy Dark**.

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### **Sunday, September 19**

Take an optional morning walk to experience the views from the **Colorado Bridge** and to see the infamous **Rose Bowl**.

Continue with a **culinary tasting tour that covers both the food and history of Old Pasadena**. We'll explore the streets of Green, Union, Holly, and DeLacey, the avenues of Fair Oaks and Raymond, as well as Colorado Boulevard. Colorful alleys and secret thru-ways spice up our path as we seek out spectacular ethnic eateries and sweets havens for tastings! The owners of Melting Pot Tours, Lisa & Diane Scalia, are L.A. natives and lifelong residents. Lisa, is a caterer and private tour guide, and Diane, a professional chef, author and food writer. Together they have over 25 years of combined experience in the food industry and the culinary arts.

Take some free time to enjoy **Pasadena's Playhouse** district, with galleries, shops and bookstores before heading to the airport for flights home.

OLD PASADENA COURTYARD MARRIOTT (B,L)

**Please note that visits and scheduled activities in this itinerary are subject to change.**

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This program is limited to 18 travelers maximum.

### COST\*

\$1,175 per person, based on double occupancy

\$1,299 per person, based on single occupancy

\*This program is based on a minimum of 12 travelers. Should there be less than 12 travelers signed up for the program, the cost may need to be adjusted.

### INCLUDED

- Transportation for three days in Pasadena including group transfers to and from the Burbank airport at designated group times
- 2 nights at Old Pasadena Courtyard Marriott Hotel
- Meals: 2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, and 2 dinners with wine
- All private tours, entrances, special visits, and tastings as specified in the itinerary
- Gratuities for hotel staff, restaurant staff, bus driver and for all group activities
- Pre-departure information
- Club Host and professional tour staff to assist you throughout the program
- The camaraderie of the Club's Bay Gourmet travelers

### NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to Burbank airport
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Optional excursions and other activities done independently
- Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
- Personal items such as e-mail, telephone and fax calls, souvenirs, laundry and gratuities for non-group services

### PAYMENT

To make a reservation, send your check payable to "Commonwealth Club of California," or charge instructions, with your completed reservation form to the address on the reservation form. You may also fax in your reservation form or call our office.

### CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

**Payment is fully refundable, less a \$250-per-person cancellation fee, until July 30, 2010.** After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and your place(s) can be resold, in which case the \$250 cancellation fee will apply. We recommend trip-cancellation insurance; applications will be sent to you.

### RESPONSIBILITY

The Commonwealth Club of California and our ground operators and suppliers act only as agents for the travelers with respect to transportation and arrangements, and exercise every care possible in doing so. However, we can assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity in connection with the service of any automobile, motorcoach, or any other conveyance used in carrying out this program or for the acts or

defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the program. We cannot accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, *force majeure* or other causes beyond our control. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide arrangements only for the time stated. We reserve the right to make such alterations to this published itinerary as may be deemed necessary. The right is reserved to cancel any program prior to departure in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. No refund will be made for an unused portion of any tour unless arrangements are made in sufficient time to avoid penalties. The Commonwealth Club of California accepts no liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket in connection with the tour.

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**RESERVATION FORM**

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**SINGLE TRAVELERS ONLY:**

If this is a reservation for one person, please indicate:

I plan to share accommodations with \_\_\_\_\_

OR  I wish to have single accommodations.

OR  I'd like to know about possible roommates. I am a smoker / nonsmoker. (circle one)

**PAYMENT:**

Here is my payment of \$\_\_\_\_ (\$1,175 per person, double or \$1,299, single) for \_\_ place(s).

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 Enclosed is my check (make payable to *Commonwealth Club of California*).

OR  Charge my deposit to my  Visa  MasterCard .

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**Mail completed form to: Commonwealth Club Travel, 595 Market St., 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105, or fax to (415) 597-6729. For questions call (415) 597-6720.**

I/We have read the Terms and Conditions for this program and agree to them.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_