

OPTIONAL TOURS

ROARING CAMP, FORREST STEAM TRAIN & SANTA CRUZ CAROUSEL

Thursday September 1, 2022

We will go to Roaring Camp where we optionally can ride the Redwood Forest Steam Train. Roaring Camp's steam engines date from 1890 and are among the oldest and most authentically preserved narrow-gauge steam engines providing regularly scheduled passenger service in America. We will have lunch. After lunch we will take the Santa Cruz Beach Train which will travel through Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park before arriving at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. We will have plenty of time at the boardwalk to visit the 1911 Loeff Carousell and three band organs; a Ruth & Sohn band organ, a Wurlitzer 165 and a Wurlitzer 146. We will return to Roaring Camp and our hotel. Info is available at www.roaringcamp.com & www.beachboardwalk.com/Carousel.

THEATRE ORGAN CONCERT, VICTORIANS, ALCATRAZ, FISHERMAN'S WHARF, MUSEE MECHANIC & BAY CRUISE

Friday September 2, 2022

Organ Concert. We will go to a local theater and have an organ concert by MBSI member and in-house Detroit Fox Theater organist, Dave Calendine. We will have lunch at the theater before leaving to do other tours based on your individual selections (see registration form.)

Tour of two of San Francisco's finest Victorians. These are not open to the general public but will be open to us by special arrangement. This tour will be a rare opportunity to see houses built between 1868 and 1887 which have been lovingly restored and are historically furnished. *The Victorian houses have some stairs so if you cannot do stairs you might consider other tours instead.* The houses on tour consist of the following: (1) The Mitchell House, built in 1871, has been restored to its original 1870's roots, including the furnishings and fixtures. This house has its entire original gas lighting system intact. The current owner has a 1926 Mason and Hamlin 6'4" Ampico grand piano, together with an extensive (3000) Ampico roll collection, and a model 1 Regina music box; the first model made. (2) The Brune House, located across the street from the Mitchell house, is also somewhat of an architectural transition from the earlier Italianate and later Eastlake styles. Its interior is a Victorian fantasy and one of the most photographed in San Francisco. There is a vast collection of mechanical musical instruments, mostly located in the ground level ballroom.

Alcatraz (night tour, limited to 56 people). Nicknamed "The Rock," Alcatraz served as a federal maximum security prison from 1934 to 1963. Today Alcatraz is part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. It can be cold so bring a jacket and good walking shoes as you do have to walk uphill to get to the prison area. A box dinner is included.

Fisherman's Wharf & Musee Mechanique. Fisherman's Wharf is one of the city's busiest tourist areas. Among other things, there's a colony of sea lions and historic ships. The Musée Mécanique is an interactive museum of 20th-century penny arcade games and artifacts. With over 300 mechanical machines, it is one of the world's largest privately-owned collections.

Bay Cruise. Sixty-minute cruise around San Francisco Bay.

HOUSE TOURS

Monday September 5, 2022

Sandy Swirsky and Lyle Merithew collection in San Jose consists of the following instruments: Western Electric Mascot, Raffin 31 note Concert Organ, 119 pipes (2009), Regina Corona Style 35, 15 ½ " twelve disk changer with clock and stained glass front, D. Allard & Co. Cylinder Music Box, six cylinders with six tunes each, Stella 15.5 disc box, Seeburg G, Marshall & Wendell Ampico-A grand, Ramey Banjo Orchestra (2013), Rockola Jukebox (1946), Seeburg Jukebox (1929), Hupfeld Phonoliszt-Violana Reproduction (1990s) and Nelson-Wiggen 4X.

Bob and Judy Caletti collection in Menlo Park consists of the following instruments: 27" Regina Changer music box, 15 ½" Regina Changer music box with clock, 18 ½" Mira Console Grand music box, 24 ½" Polyphon Musical Clock, Model 30St Symphonion Musical Clock, 27 ½" Symphonion upright music box with 12 bells, Eroica 3-disc music box, 2 Paillard Sublime Harmony cylinder music boxes, 1926 Knabe/Ampico Art case Reproducing Piano, 1906 Peerless Style D Nickelodeon, Dave Ramey Banjo Orchestra, Cremona K Orchestrion, Seeburg H Orchestrion, Various Vienna Regulator clocks and Tall case Grandfather clock (Tiffany). The restoration workshops will be open for viewing.

Marc and Marquerite Kaufman collection in Woodside consists of an extensive music box collection which includes Nicole Frères cylinder music boxes including Nicole "fat cylinder" operatic boxes, a 4-cylinder revolver box, a Regina 27" changer, a Symphonion Eroica, and a Sirion as well as other disc and cylinder music boxes. They also have a Knabe Ampico, a Yamaha "Live Performance" (LX) and a street barrel piano.