

THE BEST PARTY OF 2007: OUR BEST OF THE BAY WINNERS EVENT AT THE DE YOUNG MUSEUM



Rupa and the April Fishes rock the crowd.



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(From left) The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco's manager of public programs, Renee Baldocchi, and associate director, Bob Futernick, party on with *Guardian* publishers Jean Dibble and Bruce B. Bruggmann.



Angeni Lieben (above left) enjoys a balloon fruit-basket headress, while Karina Lieben (above right) enjoys a drink.



Kelly Townsend and Jacqui Lauderbaugh of BurgerMeister, honored as home of the city's best burgers and fries.



Videographer Josh Wolf, free from jail, on the other side of the camera.



The Twilight Vixen Review takes it all off — almost.



Selina Raven, Best Dang Dominatrix, mugs with Wicked Soulstice.



Ursula Rodriguez, the *Guardian*'s party planner extraordinaire, takes a break and rocks out.



BEST OF THE BAY

It was, as we always say, the best Best Of winners' photo ever: on Aug. 3, more than 250 *Guardian* Best of the Bay winners showed up in the Koret Auditorium at the de Young Museum to be captured on film. The participants were:



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4 WINNERS, 2007



1: Toe-Knee George (Tony George); 2: Vic Hundahl, the Mint Karaoke; 3: Cindy McMullan, the Other Shop; 4: Cat Luedtke, the Wasteland; 5: Maurice Lee, the Wasteland; 6: Emmett Marrajo, Inside; 7: Christina Kellogg, Cal Performances; 8: Robin Pomerance, Cal Performances; 10: Vera Fleischer, Green Cab; 11: Mort Weinstein, Green Cab; 12: Marshall Childs, Green Cab; 13: Thomas George-Williams, Green Cab; 14: Jean-Claude Persais, Aqua Development Corp.; 15: Tony Lam, Aqua Development Corp.; 16: Michael C. Schrader, physician; 17: David Karp, Cole Hardware; 18: Rick Karp, Cole Hardware; 19: Shivia, Slinky Productions; 20: Will Chase, Panhandle Bandshell; 22: Lai Yan Chi Mo, FIYI Theatre Power; 23: Melissa Gira, Sexerati.com; 24: Myleen Hollero, Giant Robot magazine and store; 25: Diane Campbell, the Candy Store; 26: Ben Paula, Sauce; 27: Sarah Kidder, Cinnamongirl Inc.; 28: Renée Richard-Smith, Cinnamongirl Inc.; 47: Maria Ionillo, Bay Area Homebirth Collective; 48: Adrian, BOOTIE; 49: Mysterious D, BOOTIE; 50: Dema Grim, Dema; 51: Trista Bernasconi, KUSI; 52: Samantha Rodriguez, Om Records; 53: Jessica Spyker, VIP Grooming; 54: Lisa Mackie, Kink.com; 55: Sarah Irish, Ambiance; 56: Carson Higby Flowers, Oaksterdam Tours; 57: Kristin Miller, Oaksterdam Tours; 58: Justin Stekoll, Sports Basement; 59: Anya Janowsky, Sports Basement; 61: LaDasha Berry, Silence the Violence; 62: Joshua Berry; 63: Kaleb Berry; 64: Tommy Netzbund, San Francisco Ghost Society; 65: Annalisa Bastiani, San Francisco Ghost Society; 66: Richard Titus, Divas; 67: Deanna Marrajo, Inside; 68: Melissa Riley, SF Public Library; 69: Marti Schein, Schien and Schien; 70: Rick Rosser, Golden Gate Men's Chorus; 71: Sarah Lai, Goorin Bros.; 72: Saeed Ghazi, Little Shamrock; 73: Rachel Fauman, Ensemble Personal Image Consulting; 74: Craig Clarke, Three Ring Records; 121: Clay W. Smith, Middle Harbor Park; 122: Tim Taylor, SF Airport Museums; 123: Marissa Meyers, Middle Harbor Park; 124: Augie Barone, Pat's Garage; 125: Pat Nevins, Jerry Day; 126: Sarah Koenen, Muir Woods National Monuments; 127: Marcus Koenen, Muir Woods National Monuments; 128: Lilah Maghem, Lusty Lady; 129: Halgon Woodward, McCann Erickson; 130: Zion (a.k.a. Baba Zumbi of Zion); 131: Zion I-Live Ups Records; 132: Carol Queen, Center for Sex and Culture; 133: Chantl Smith, Bay Area Home Bial Collective; 134: Don Alan, Casanova Lounge; 135: Alex Rooney, Hemlock/Casanova; 136: Katra Briel, KUSF; 137: Ilana Rothman, Kink.com; 138: Clare Hulme, 500 Club; 139: Bret Cushman, 500 Club; 140: Adam Smith, Fog City News; 141: Shannon T. Hon, Fog City News; 143: Jen Cross, Center for Sex and Culture; 144: Sean Boyle, Dolores Park Movie Night; 145: Selina Raven, the Inner Sanctum; 181: Mike Schmitt; 182: Brian Forman, Tartuffi; 183: DJ Bus Station John; 184: Michelle Gannon, Marriage Prep 101; 185: Patrick Gannon, Marriage Prep 101; 186: Susan Sullivan, Acme Bread Co.; 187: Thomas Murphy, Jerry Day; 188: Abigail Reagan, Bay Area Homebirth Collective; 189: Shira Shore, marriage and family therapist; 190: DJ Haylow; 191: Meghan Marie, with Philip Milic; 193: Renee Baldocchi, de Young Museum; 241: Eddy Chan, the Mint Karaoke; 242: John Zane, Gingerbread Danzhaus; 243: Anne Jung, Gingerbread Danzhaus; 245: Robert M. Leon, Haight-Ashbury Street Fair; 247: Abel J. Pantoja, Bigfoot Lodge; 248: Lancy Wood, VIP Grooming; 249: Doug White, Green Cab; 250: Tavahn Ghazi, Little Shamrock; 251: Rachel Richanbach, Sibby's Cupcakery; 252: Jay Peter Salvas, Chronicle Books; 253: Sean Burke, Red Devil Lounge; 301: Jessica da Silva, Bay Area Derby Girls; 302: Jacqueline Knitsh, Bay Area Derby Girls; 303: Devon King, Twilight Vixen Revue; 304: Ross Hammond, SF Disc Golf Club; 305: Anna Conda, Charlie Horse; 306: Marcia Gagliardi, Tablehopper.com; 307: Meg Whitbread, the Yoga Loft; 308: Heklina, Trannyshack; 309: R.G. Davis, SF Mime Troupe; 310: Matthew Guelke, Lettuss Organic; 311: Mark Lewis, Lettuss Organic; 312: Dharam Khalsa, Acrosports; 313: Christopher Moss, the Phenomenauts; 314: Angel Nova, the Phenomenauts; 315: Joebot Twopointoh, The Phenomenauts; 316: Mike Lai, Goorin Bros.; 317: Kiska Icael, SF/SPCA; 318: Shin Min Li, I Dream of Cake; 319: Kim "Diamond" Huynh, Tree Frog Treks; 320: Thomas Roche, Eros Zine/Eros Guide; 361: Alli Starr; 362: Ashley Eldridge III, Art in Action, Ella Baker Center; 363: Scyentiffick Herbert, Ella Baker Center; 364: Lila Thirkield, the Lexington Club; 365: Jace Wittig, Chanticleer; 365: Ed Nakatia, Joseph Schmidt Confeit; 367: Albert Sammons Jr., GEMC; 368: Jimmie Schein, Schein and Schein; 369: Joan Holden; 370: Kelsey Parker; 371: Jennifer Lightstone, Psoas Massage and Bodywork; 372: Nathan Hosby, Sauce; 373: Fausto Howay, BurgerMeister; 374: James King, Black Horse London Pub; 375: Ignacio Zulueta, East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse; 376: Brianna Smith, Chronicle Books; 422: Tasha Berg, Nurturography; 423: Brent Coons, Majitope.com; 424: Donna Reynolds, Bad Rap; 425: Tim Racer, Bad Rap; 426: Scott Schwartz, Psoas Massage and Bodywork; 427: Aries Nunez (Prince Aries), Distortion 2 Static; 428: Naut Humon, Recombinant Media Labs; 429: Rick Sanford, Recombinant Media Labs; 430: Alia Volz, Triple Nipple Writing Collective; 431: Chris Carlsson, Counter Pulse; 432: Brian Bannon, SF Public Library; 433: Patricia Z. Cowden, Puns Unlimited; 434: CONTINUES ON PAGE 56 >>



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Sally Wortman, Pets Unlimited; 435: Stephan Gaudreau, Trapeze Arts; 436: Lili Gaudreau, Trapeze Arts; 437: Chris Sumida, My Trick Pony; 438: Matteo Tacchini, My Trick Pony; 439: Susan Hinchman, Haight-Ashbury Street Fair; 440: Jake Sigg, California Native Plant Society; 441: Chris Sams, Bats Improv; 442: Tonoy Burkhart, Self; 443: Gregory Colvin, the Phenomenauts; 444: Jimmy Boom, the Phenomenauts; 445: Al Gilbert, Golden Gate Men's Chorus; 481: Charles Stroch, Bad Rap; 482: Susi Ming, Bad Rap; 483: Pat Cadam, Pat's Garage; 484: Carla English ("Veronica Velvet"), Twilight Vixen Revue; 485: Amplive, Zion I; 486: James Sime, Kotope-the Comic Book Lounge; 488: Ariel "Rel" Nunez, Distortion 2 Static; 489: Steven Sullivan, Acme Bread Co.; 490: Flip Sarrow, Haight-Ashbury Street Fair; 491: James Venechanos, Bigfoot Lodge; 492: Steve Gibson, Magnet; 493: Adrian Cano, Magnet; 494: Tina Rotolo, Cole Hardware; 495: Alberto Villarreal, Paul Jantgaard, Yula Naumann, Pechakucha-SF; 496: Pamela Powers, Oaksterdam Tours; 497: Adam Donovan, Golden Gate Men's Chorus; 504: Robert Strong and Lorena Rackow, Strong Entertainment; 505: Maggie Tenenbaum, East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse; 506: Stephen Wayne, Golden Gate Men's Chorus; 507: Kat Connearyne, Cole Hardware; 508: Anett Bjornstad, Tails of the City; 509: Sibby Thompson, Sibby's Cupcakery; 510: Kris Engel, Le Video; 511: Daniel Crowell, Three Ring Records; 514: Eric Alatorre, Chanticleer; 516: Fuchsia Black, Lusty Lady; 517: Laura Nava, Ambiance; 518: Patrick Shortle, Aumakua; 519: Jimmy Whelan, Aumakua; 520: Waterfall, Haight-Ashbury Street Fair/ S.O.L.; 521: David McCrory, Trannyshack; 522: Sara Brounell, AC/DSHE; 523: Matthew Oltman, Chanticleer; 524: Athena McEwan, Hoopgirl.com; 525: Tim House, Zion I; 527: Timothy Sean Y. Lim; 528: Hekline, Trannyshack; 533: Erin Peterson; 534: Tori Tait Carrie McCabb; 539: Cat Luedtke and Maurice Lee; 540: Hetal Patel and Abel Pautoja, Regina O'Connor; 542: Jette Labianca and Kim Erickson, FAMS; 555: John Fulper, Jerry Day; 556: Gwen Webster, the Other Shop; 557: Kristina Serafin, Tango Gelato; 558: Joaquin Pochat, Tango Gelato; 560: Stephanie Foster, Church Street Flowers; 561: Thomas A. Teel, Church Street Flowers; 562: Janet Karp, Cole Hardware; 563: John McHugh-Smith, SF/SPCA; 564: Steven Young, Panhandle Bandshell; 565: Gabrielle Kuzsel, Panhandle Bandshell; 566: David Carroll, Black Horse London Pub; 567: Kristopher Miller, Black Horse London Pub; 568: Philip Milic, Five and Diamond; 569: Christabel Zamor; 570: Lynne Angle, Tartuffi; 571: Eric Arons; 572: Wicked Soulstice; 595: Philip D. Meakin, Tal-y-Tara Tea and Polo Shoppe; 596: "Diamond" Dave Whitaker; 600: Kevin Hunsanger, Green Apple Books.



Donna Sachet (left), proprietor of the Best Drag Queen Buffet, with Alix Rosenthal.



Addi Someyh, the balloon hat man, makes colorful creations for the kids.



Local hero "Diamond" Dave Whitaker (right) with Barbara Bennett.



Seymour Carter (left) and Bill Han.



(From left) Emily Dellas, Chatlotte Cooper, and Dan Shain.