

Every game counts – Take BART to Cal football

Enjoy all the excitement of 2008 Cal Bears football with none of the hassles of parking or traffic – take BART!

Exit at Downtown Berkeley station and hop on the free Bear Express Shuttle, which picks up fans every 7-10 minutes from two locations: Oxford and Addison streets or Shattuck and Center. The Shattuck location is just one block east of the Downtown Berkeley BART station.

The shuttle drops fans off at the FunZone, the pre-game tailgate party near Memorial Stadium.

Visit calbears.com for game and ticket information. Plan your BART trip at bart.gov.



2008 Golden Bears Home Schedule

- Aug. 30 vs. Michigan State
- Sept. 27 vs. Colorado State
- Oct. 4 vs. Arizona State
- Oct. 25 vs. UCLA
- Nov. 1 vs. Oregon
- Nov. 22 Big Game vs. Stanford
- Dec. 6 vs. Washington

Explore the new bart.gov

BART's website has been redesigned from front to back, with you in mind. It's all about getting the info you need to make your BART experience as fast, easy and (dare we say it) as fun as possible. Check out what we have to offer:

- Real time train arrivals, service advisories and elevator info
- The homepage QuickPlanner now includes driving and walking directions
- Mobile wireless services like trip plans, real time arrivals and service status
- BART QuickPlanners for iPod, Palm and Pocket PC



- iTunes playlists, Flickr photos, a Twitter feed, Yelp review links and more...

Check it out today at www.bart.gov!

Savor the tastes of Asia at Oakland's Chinatown StreetFest



Take BART to Oakland City Center/12th Street for the 21st annual Chinatown Streetfest August 23 and 24.

Celebrate the Year of the Rat without battling traffic or struggling to find parking. The Chinatown StreetFest will attract thousands of people from all over the Bay Area to experience the traditions of Oakland's vibrant Chinatown.

The two-day event runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and is free. Enjoy delicious food, arts and crafts, entertainment and unique Asian products.

Visit oaklandchinatownstreetfest.com for more info. Plan your BART trip at the new bart.gov.



BART expands underground cell phone coverage




Love using your cell phone to call for a ride from the BART station? You're in luck, cell coverage in and between underground BART stations is expanding.

With the recent addition of MetroPCS, all five of the Bay Area's cellular carriers are now underground at BART in San Francisco, including AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile and Verizon.

Cellular and data service are available at

Embarcadero, Montgomery, Powell, and Civic Center stations and on trains as you ride between these stations.

Cellular and data service are available in the station areas of 16th Street Mission, 24th Street Mission, Glen Park and Balboa Park stations. The trackways between these stations will be on the air by the end of this year.

 *Get a behind-the-scenes glimpse of workers expanding wireless coverage on BART TV at bart.gov/barttv.*



Please be courteous when using your cell phone on BART: avoid unnecessary calls, speak softly and please, set your ringer to vibrate.

GOOD TIMES

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Festival Opera, Leshner Center for the Arts
1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek
www.festivalopera.com

BART: Walnut Creek

Aug. 9-17: At once inventive and evocative, Britten's magical operatic adaptation of Shakespeare's most imaginative play entices the listener deep into the irresistible enchantment of a summer's night, where anything can happen in the name of love.

Bay Area Rhythm Exchange

Part of the 2008 Bay Area Tap Festival
Herbst Theatre, 401 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco
www.cityboxoffice.com or 415/392-4400

BART: Civic Center

Friday, Aug. 15, and Saturday, Aug. 16, 8 p.m.: Celebration of tap features stars from Broadway, film, and the concert stage: Channing Cook-Holmes ("Riverdance," "Gangs of New York," "Bojangles"), STEPOLOGY Director John Kloss ("Tap Heat"), Deborah Mitchell ("The Cotton Club"), Dormeshia Sumbry-Edwards ("Bring in 'da Noise, Bring in 'da Funk"), Sam Weber ("Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood"), and more.

Festival of Contemporary Music

Community Music Center
544 Capp St. (between 20th and 21st streets)
San Francisco, www.newmusicforum.com

BART: 24th Street, four-block walk

Friday, Aug. 15, and Saturday, Aug. 16, 8 p.m.: Local and out-of-state composers present chamber, solo and electronic works, with a reception to follow. The composers will be present.

Frida Kahlo exhibition

SFMOMA (San Francisco Museum of Modern Art)
151 Third St., San Francisco
www.sfmoma.org or 415/357-4000

BART: Powell or Montgomery

Through Sept. 28: Kahlo's folkloric style, influenced by Mexican popular art, and her fantastical imagery earned her recognition among the Surrealists, but her intriguing persona and unmistakable originality propelled her beyond the confines of a specific movement to become a leading figure in modern art. This exhibition, commemorating the centennial of the artist's birth, brings together paintings that span her career, along with a selection of her own collection of photographs, most of which have never been on public display.

16th Annual Festival of India

County parking lot, Paseo Padre and Walnut Ave.
Fremont, www.fiaonline.org

BART: Fremont, three-block walk

Sat.-Sun., Aug. 16-17, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.: Enjoy Indian food, culture and dance. Free health fair Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. Music Concert by Renowned Bay Area and Singers from India: Sunday 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Millbrae Art and Music Festival

Broadway Avenue
www.miramarevents.com, 650/697-7324
BART: Millbrae, free shuttle to the festival

August 30 and 31, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: Enjoy a Mardi Gras-style celebration in Millbrae. Stroll, browse, relax and enjoy a friendly and vibrant street fair with two days of live music, cool arts and crafts, tasty food and beverages, and the best family entertainment value around. Admission is free.

BART Eco-Fact: BART goes solar at Orinda

BART riders in Orinda will soon be going solar *and* have it made in the shade.


By late December, everything from the lights to the ticket machines to the fare gates at the Orinda station will run on solar power during daylight hours. The solar panels will also provide some customers in Orinda with shaded parking. But that's not all. The project will save an estimated \$3.4 million over 20 years.



The project will include installing a canopy of solar panels in one of Orinda Station's parking lots.

BART will also install solar panels on the roofs of two maintenance facilities, meaning much of the electricity needed to maintain BART's fleet of trains will come from the sun.

Now that's a bright idea.

 See the artists' conception of what the new canopy will look like on BART TV at bart.gov/barttv.

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Full service to Fremont Line restored...

You may recall that on May 10, BART experienced a serious service disruption due to an electrical fire in our Hayward Yard. At the time, we predicted full service on the Fremont line would be restored the first week of August. On July 12, three weeks before projected, full service was reinstated. Now trains on both the Richmond-Fremont and Daly City-Fremont lines run on their regular schedules and make their usual stops all the way to Fremont.

As crews worked 24 hours a day, seven days a week to clean up and repair the system, it was necessary to reroute Richmond-Fremont trains, which resulted in some of you having to transfer at Bay Fair Station. In addition, we had to run trains at reduced speeds between South

Hayward and Union City stations due to a loss of automatic train control systems.

During that time, our customers demonstrated such patience as they modified their schedules and rode BART despite the adjusted service. I want to convey our apologies and appreciation to those of you who were inconvenienced and thank you for your continued understanding as we worked to repair the damage.

While complete restoration at our Hayward Shop continues, I am pleased that we are able to return to the level of service that our customers are accustomed to and to do so a bit ahead of schedule.

Thank you.

Dorothy W. Dugger, General Manager

BART takes you "Over the Top"

Take BART to Oracle Arena for Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey's "Over the Top," a wacky and whimsical circus spectacular where dogs fly, Asian Elephants skip, hop, and groove and one courageous man stands eye to eye with a pack of powerful Bengal tigers.

Exit at the Coliseum/Oakland Airport station and present the BART ticket you used to get to the show for a \$5.00 per ticket savings at the Oracle Arena Box Office. Over the Top runs August 14-17. Tickets to the show also available at ticketmaster.com. Plan your BART trip at the new bart.gov.

