

Literary Managers & Dramaturgs of the Americas 32nd Annual Conference – BERKELEY, CA

Thursday, June 22 – Saturday, June 24, 2017 artEquity Pre-Conference Training – Wednesday, June 21, 2017

We are thrilled to invite you to join us in Berkeley, California for the opportunity to reunite and re-ignite in a city with such a celebrated legacy of social and political action. Not only is Berkeley part of the greater San Francisco Bay Area's large and vibrant performing arts scene, it has a deep bench of activist history, from birthing the Free Speech Movement in the 1960s to pioneering the Organic Food Revolution that continues to this day. It is the perfect place for us to talk access, activism and art, and to take action not just here, but in theatre communities all over the Americas. This call to arms is meant to reach through our community, so we encourage participants to come ready with questions, observations, and thoughts about your own practices to share with everyone joining us in person, on Twitter (#LMDA17), and via HowlRound.

Many Bay Area and Berkeley artists will be joining us for the conference, and we invite you to take this opportunity to get to know the Berkeley theatre scene. (Visit the *Things to Do in Berkeley* section in this Handbook for some ideas.)

We will be turning a critical lens on our art and our practices in a city where the "counter-culture" is alive and well, and "revolutionary" ideas are part of the local DNA. Many thanks to the 2017 LMDA Programming Committee for building an exciting line-up of conversations: Diane Brewer, Ken Cerniglia, Maddie Gaw, Laurel Green, Megan Johnson, Kristin Leahey, Corianna Moffatt, Lisa Ravensbergen, Maren Robinson, Brad Rothbart, and Jayne Wenger.

Sincerely,

Ken Cerniglia, LMDA President Corianna Moffatt, Conference Chair Maddie Gaw, Logistics Chair

Special Thanks to:







CONFERENCE HANDBOOK

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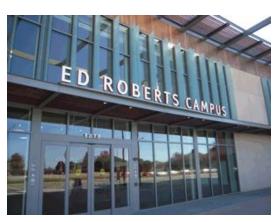
PROGRAMMING

Each day will offer a variety of panels, roundtables, performances, papers, praxis sessions, and interactive workshops all intersecting with **Access, Activism & Art**.

Please see the conference schedule for details.

CONFERENCE LOCATION

The 2017 LMDA Conference in Berkeley, CA will be held at the **Ed Roberts Campus**, located at a fully accessible transit hub (the Ashby BART stop). The Ed Roberts Campus is a national and international model dedicated to disability rights and universal access. The ERC has an in-house café, is within walking distance of many eating good lunch options, and is one BART stop from Downtown Berkeley.



Ed Roberts Campus (ERC) 3075 Adeline Street (between Tremont and Woolsey Streets) Berkeley, CA 94703

FACILITIES INFO

In consideration of individuals who are sensitive to chemicals in fragrances, the ERC strives to maintain a fragrance-free environment. Please refrain from using scented products such as perfume, aftershave, scented lotions, fragranced hair products, and/or similar products.

There is limited 2-hour parking in the adjacent neighborhoods. You may park in the Ashby BART parking lot for free after 3pm on weekdays and on weekends. <u>Click here</u> for directions to the ERC.

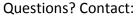
CONFERENCE BANQUET

This year's conference banquet will be held in **HS Lordships' Georgian Ballroom**, located in the Berkeley Marina, which offers panoramic views of San Francisco and the Golden Gate Bridge across the beautiful San Francisco Bay. HS Lordships' is 15-20 minutes' drive from the ERC, a 30-minute bus ride on the 81 AC Transit bus from the Ashby BART station, or a 0.9-mile walk around the Marina from the Conference Hotel.

BANQUET DETAILS

7:30pm-midnight, Saturday, June 24th HS Lordships 199 Seawall Drive Berkeley, CA, 94710

The cost of the banquet is included in the full conference registration fee. Additional tickets are \$70. Please specify your dietary requirements (Vegan, Gluten Free, allergies, etc.) during registration.



Corianna Moffatt, Conference Chair -- <u>LMDAconference@gmail.com</u>
Maddie Gaw, Logistics Chair -- <u>maddiegaw@gmail.com</u>
Danielle Carroll, LMDA Administrative Director -- <u>Imdanyc@gmail.com</u>

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

All full-conference registration fees are per person and include one banquet ticket.

LMDA Member Registration Link

\$150 Early Bird LMDA Early Career Member (\$200 after April 30) \$300 Early Bird LMDA Individual/Institutional Member (\$350 after April 30)

LMDA Non-Member Registration Link

\$430 Non-Member

DAY RATE REGISTRATION FEES - \$150/day (does not include banquet ticket)

Questions? Contact LMDA Administrative Director, Danielle Carroll at lmdanyc@gmail.com.

Pre-Conference artEquity Institute* - Wednesday, June 21st

Join <u>artEquity</u>'s Founder, Carmen Morgan for a day of deep analysis and skills building paired with meaningful discourse on issues of inclusion, equity, and the role of art makers. We are offering 30 subsidized spots at \$150 each and 10 needs-based full scholarships. Sign up first-come, first-served through the conference registration page.



*Sponsor: Sarah Garton Stanley, LMDA Board Member

LMDA MEMBERSHIP

To receive membership rates for the LMDA Conference, you must have a current LMDA membership. Please click <u>HERE</u> to renew your membership or join the LMDA community.



SOCIAL MEDIA

Join the conversation online by following us on Twitter (@LMDAmericas) and stay in touch with us on Facebook!

Please use #LMDA17 when tagging posts so we can track the virtual conversations and save them for our archives.

CONFERENCE HOTEL

Doubletree Marina Berkeley

We have secured a block of 30 rooms for 2017 LMDA Conference participants at the Doubletree Berkeley Marina. The Doubletree offers terrific views of the San Francisco Bay. Although it is not BART-accessible, it is a 10-minute shared ride from ERC, a 30-minute bus ride on the 81 AC Transit line to and from ERC, and 0.9 miles to HS Lordships. The Doubletree is offering LMDA Conference participants special rates for June 20-25. **Make your reservations by June 1**, after which any leftover rooms will be released to the public.

Doubletree Marina Berkeley 200 Marina Blvd. Berkeley, CA 94710

LMDA Conference Discounts:

Tuesday, June 20 - Sunday, June 25 \$189/night (double doubles) until June 1 Please reserve your rooms through this link.



ADDITIONAL HOUSING OPTIONS

Through the generous networking of local LMDA members, we have 26 Bay Area rooms and/or beds ranging from FREE to \$40/night that are available for the duration of the conference.

Preference will be given to Early Career Dramaturgs and other conference attendees with demonstrated need. Contact Maddie Gaw at maddiegaw@gmail.com for more information.

OTHER HOTELS IN BERKELEY

Downtown Berkeley Inn:

2001 Bancroft Way Berkeley, CA 94704 Phone: (510) 843-4043

E-mail: info@downtownberkeleyinn.com

Hotel Shattuck Plaza

2086 Allston Way Berkeley, CA 94704 Phone: 510-845-7300

Email: info@hotelshattuckplaza.com

Hotel Durant

2600 Durant Avenue Berkeley, CA 94702 Phone: (510) 845-8981 Reservations: 800-238-7268

Email: reservations@hoteldurant.com

HOTELS IN OAKLAND

Extended Stay America – Oakland-Emeryville 2650 Mandola Blywy

3650 Mandela Pkwy Oakland, CA 94608 Phone: 510. 923.1481

Email: emy@extendedstay.com

Day Hotel Oakland Airport-Coliseum

8350 Edes Avenue Oakland, CA 94621 Phone: 510-568-1880

Quality Inn Oakland

8471 Enterprise Way Oakland, CA 94621 Phone: 510-562-4888

Email: oaklandqualityinn@gmail.com

Inn at Temescal

3720 Telegraph Ave Oakland, CA 94609 Phone: 510-652-9800

Email: info@innattemescal.com

HOSTELS

Berkeley Scholar Hostel

If you are on a tight budget and enjoy the international atmosphere of a bustling hostel, feel free to check out the Berkeley Scholar Hostel. Located at the base of UC Berkeley Campus, the ERC is only a BART ride away!

Berkeley Scholar Hostel 1909 Martin Luther King Jr. Way Berkeley, CA 94712

To Reserve:

- Visit their online booking webpage.
- Call: (510) 277-2209

San Francisco Hostels

There are two hostels in downtown San Francisco that are within easy walking distance of BART train stations. Please allow at least 40 minutes to get from SF to the conference location. If you plan on staying in San Francisco, please note that hostels book quickly, especially during June, so try to book as soon as possible

HI SF Hostel—Downtown

312 Mason Street, SF, CA (415) 788-5604

Nearest BART station: Powell

HI SF Hostel—City Center

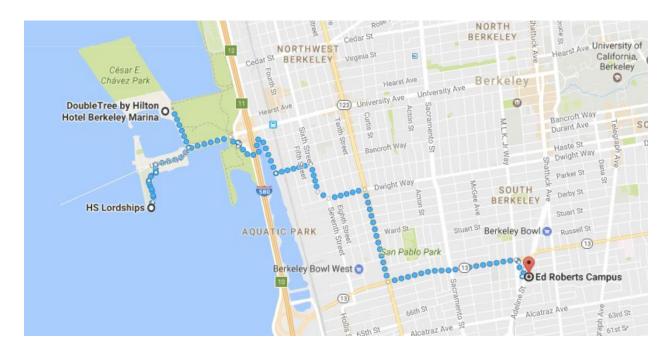
685 Ellis Street, SF, CA (415) 474-5721

Nearest BART station: Civic Center

CONFERENCE MAP

To view an interactive map of the 2017 LMDA Conference showcasing area restaurants, hotels, coffee shops, as well as the Banquet and Conference Location please click HERE.

Conference Location, Hotel & Banquet



TRANSPORTATION

Berkeley thrives on public transportation including BART rail system and the AC Transit bus lines. All of those transit systems, including San Francisco MUNI rail and bus lines, honor <u>Clipper Cards</u>. Clipper Cards can be purchased at any BART Station, Walgreens, or Whole Foods, and new Clipper Cards are \$3.

You can also purchase individual one-way or round-trip BART tickets at ticket machines found in all stations. A single ride cash fare for AC Transit is \$2.10, and a local day pass cash fare is \$5.00

To use Clipper Cards on any transportation system, just hold Clipper Card flat on fare gate with Clipper Card logo until gates open. You will need to tag your card for all entrances and exits.

While most conference attendees will be staying in the East Bay, some may be staying in San Francisco. A note on the difference between MUNI and BART: MUNI is the transportation system for San Francisco only and does not go to the East Bay. However, you can connect to BART from MUNI as both transportation systems share train stations, with separate entrances. Separate fare machines are available for BART or MUNI, and have a different price structure. MUNI intercepts with BART via these SF downtown stops only: Civic Center, Powell, Montgomery and Embarcadero stations.

BART

Downtown Berkeley and Ashby stops are on the Richmond/Fremont line. If you are staying in downtown Oakland or San Francisco you can usually catch a Richmond train going in the direction of Berkeley. You can also take the Pittsburg/Bay Point line train to the 19th Street Oakland stop, and transfer to the Richmond line from there.

Click <u>HERE</u> [bart.gov] to download a PDF of the BART rail system.

On the Schedules Menu, click on "Quick Planner" to plan a BART trip if you are coming from SF or further in the East Bay.

AC Transit Bus Lines

The 81 Bus Line is the direct line between the conference Hotel and ERC (Click HERE to download a PDF). The 51B Bus Line also provides service between Downtown Berkeley and the Berkeley Marina, though it only runs to the Berkeley Amtrak, with a twenty minute walk to the Marina. (Click HERE to download a PDF). The 81 runs every 30 minutes, and the 51B runes every 15 minutes.

Biking

Berkeley has more than 15 miles of designated bike routes, lanes, and paths plus more than 100 miles of quiet residential streets for peaceful routes to most destinations.

BART Bike Stations:

1) Ashby BART Station

Located just outside the main entrance to the station on the lower (West) side of the station. This is a self-serve facility and requires a BikeLink Card for access.

2) Downtown Berkeley BART Station

Located at 2208 Shattuck Avenue, just steps from the BART entrance at Allston Way and Shattuck Avenue. Attendants will store your bike in a secure area while you work, play or shop on BART.

Bike riders can find designated bicycle parking in the Ed Roberts Campus garage and on the east side of the building.

To bike to Ed Roberts Campus from the Conference Hotel, it's a 25 minute, 4 mile path that is

mostly flat.

Lyft/Uber

Typical price from **San Francisco International Airport** (SFO) to **Conference Hotel** (DoubleTree Marina Berkeley)

Lyft/Uber: \$45 - \$60

Lyft Line/Uber Pool: \$35 - \$55

From Oakland International Airport (OAK) to Conference Hotel

Lyft/Uber: \$25 - \$35

Lyft Line/Uber Pool: \$14 - \$23

From **Conference Hotel** to **Ed Roberts Campus**, approx. 15 min ride:

Lyft/Uber: \$9 - \$11

Lyft Line/Uber Pool: \$5 - \$10

From **Downtown San Francisco** (c. Union Square) to **Ed Roberts Campus**, approx. 30 min ride:

Lyft/Uber: \$22 - \$30

Lyft Line/Uber Pool: \$12 - \$25

Taxi Cabs

If you need to call for a car, we recommend the following car services:

- <u>Air Express Cab</u>, 510-485-4848
- Cal Cab, 510-200-3333
- Friendly A1 Yellow Cab, 510-644-3300; 510-655-5555

City Car Share/Get Around:

There are cars available for use at the Ashby BART parking lot if you use the City Care Share/GetAround app for iPhone or Android. GetAround is free to join--no monthly or annual fees. Prices start at \$5/hr.

Transportation to and from Oakland International Airport (OAK) and San Francisco International Airport (SFO) via public transportation:

[Check Bart.gov for Airport Connections Guide under the Rider Guide Menu.]

BART SFO AIRPORT LINE:

(www.flysfo.com)

The SFO Airport BART station is located on the Departures/Ticketing Level of the International Terminal (Boarding Area G Side), and is easily accessed from any terminal by riding SFO's AirTrain to the Garage G/BART Station Stop. AirTrain is free.

From SFO to Ed Roberts Campus (45 minutes):

Take SFO BART from the airport to the 19th Street Oakland stop and transfer to the Richmond

Line to the Ashby stop. Conference site is within walking distance from Ashby.

From SFO to DoubleTree Berkeley Marina Hotel (about 1 hour):

Take SFO BART from the airport to 19th Street Oakland stop and **transfer** to the Richmond line to the Downtown Berkeley stop. Then take an Lyft or Uber to the hotel at 200 Marina Blvd.

BART OAKLAND AIRPORT LINE:

(oaklandairport.com)

The Oakland Airport BART station is located just across from the Terminal 1 baggage claim area and is a short walk from Terminal 2. Travel time between the airport and the Coliseum stop is 8 minutes.

From OAK to Ed Roberts Campus (45 minutes):

Take OAK BART from the airport to the Coliseum Stop and **transfer** to the Richmond line to the Ashby stop. **Note: Taking BART from Oakland airport to the DoubleTree Berkeley Marina Hotel is not really feasible. Other modes of transportation are more efficient.**

AMERICAN AIRPORTER SHUTTLE:

(www.americanairporter.com)

American Airporter Shuttle can pick you up from SFO Airport and take you to the city or help you get to San Francisco Airport in time for your flight. SFO - \$17 Per Person, Additional Passengers \$17 - with Prior Reservation Only. Call (24 hours/ 7 days): 415-202-0733

THINGS TO DO IN BERKELEY, CA

Performing Arts

Berkeley Rep's production of Monsoon Wedding

World Premiere Musical
Closing July 9th. Wednesday and Sunday @
7:00pm, Thursday, Friday and Saturday
@ 8:00pm, and Thursday, Saturday and
Sunday @ 2:00pm
Roda Theatre at Berkeley Rep
2025 Addison St., Berkeley, CA 94704

Berkeley Rep's production of An Octoroon

By Branden Jacobs-Jenkins
June 23-July 23. Wednesdays and Sundays
@ 7:00pm, Thursdays, Fridays and
Saturdays @ 8:00pm, and Saturdays and
Sundays @ 2:00pm
Peet's Theatre at Berkeley Rep
2025 Addison St., Berkeley, CA 94704

<u>Aurora Theatre Company's production of</u> <u>Splendour</u>

By Abi Morgan
June 23-July 23. Tuesdays and Sundays
@ 7:00pm, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays
and Saturdays @ 8:00pm, and Sundays
@ 2:00pm

*1st Weekend Previews are Pay What You Can

2081 Addison St., Berkeley, CA 94704

<u>Shotgun Players' production of</u> <u>brownsville song (b-side for tray)</u>

By Kimber Lee LMDA \$5 Off Discount Code: BSIDE June 15-July 9. Wednesdays and Thursdays @ 7:00pm, Fridays and Saturdays @ 8:00pm, and Sundays @ 5:00pm. Ashby Stage 1901 Ashby Ave., Berkeley, CA 94703

Festivals & Events

Golden Gate Fields Dollar Days

Sundays
1100 Eastshore Highway
Berkeley, CA 94710
Enjoy the famous Dollar Day deals every
Sunday during the summer meet! Enter the
track through our Buchanan Street entrance
for \$1 General Parking, \$1 General
Admission, \$1 Programs, \$1 Hot Dogs, \$1
Beers, and \$1 Sodas.

Solstice Event: Garden of Memory

Wednesday, June 21st, Chapel of Chimes, 5pm-9pm 4499 Piedmont Ave, Oakland, CA 94611

Berkeley Farmers Markets

Thursdays @ North Berkeley, Shattuck Ave. and Rose St., 3:00-7:00pm Saturdays @ Downtown Berkeley, Center St. and Martin Luther King Jr. Way, 10:00am-3:00pm

Brainstormer Trivia Pub Quiz

Sundays @ 8:15pm Albatross Pub, 1822 San Pablo Ave Berkeley, CA 94702

Geeks Who Drink Trivia Pub Quiz

Mondays @ 8:00pm Spats, 1974 Shattuck Ave Berkeley, CA 94703

Guerra Civil @ 80

Mondays thru Fridays, 9:00am-5:00pm.
Thru June 30
The Bancroft Library at University of
California
Berkeley, CA 94720
Marking the 80th anniversary of the
beginning of the Spanish Civil War, the
exhibition features selections from The
Bancroft Library's Veterans of the Abraham
Lincoln Brigade, Bay Area Post records and
photographic collections, along with
posters, books, pamphlets, and other
ephemera. Free.

Berkeley Poetry Slam

Wednesdays @ 8:00pm Starry Plough, 3101 Shattuck Ave Berkeley, CA 94705 Led by slammaster Jaz Sufi and hosted by Sam Sax, Tim "Toaster" Henderson, Sevan, and Dre with music from either Three Blind Mice Improv Jazz Band or DJ Freeze. Each week features a special guest poet and open sign ups. \$7.

Poetry Express Readings

Mondays, 7:00-9:00pm Himalayan Flavors, 1585 University Ave. Berkeley, CA 94703 A weekly poetry venue and open mic

Museums

Oakland Museum of California

1000 Oak St Oakland, CA 94607

When the Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) first opened its doors more than forty years ago, it brought together three historically independent disciplines—art, history, and natural sciences—under one roof. This progressive multidisciplinary approach was to celebrate the many facets of California. Our collections—comprising more than 1.9 million objects including seminal art works, historical artifacts, ethnographic objects, natural specimens, and photographs—and our programs explore and reveal the factors that shape California character and identity, from its extraordinary natural landscapes, to successive waves of migration, to its unique culture of creativity and innovation.

UC Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (BAMPFA)

2155 Center St Berkeley, CA 94720

The UC Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive is the visual arts center of the University of California, Berkeley, the nation's leading public research university. Our mission is to inspire the imagination and ignite critical dialogue through art and film, engaging audiences from the UC Berkeley campus, the Bay Area, and beyond. Each year BAMPFA presents more than twenty art exhibitions, 450 film programs, and dozens of performances, as well as lectures, symposia, and tours.