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35+ Ways to celebrate Pride in the Bay Area

Here's a sampling of all the Pride parties, parades, and festivals to check out in the Bay



Parade participants atop the Wells Fargo float wave to the crowds during the Oakland Pride parade in Oakland, Calif., on Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018. (Jose Carlos Fajardo/Bay Area News Group)

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Lashanna Hornage, program manager for Santa Clara County Office of LGBTQ Affairs, smiles under her rainbow umbrella during Silicon Valley Pride Parade (Shae Hammond/Staff Photographer)

Silicon Valley Pride 2023: May 31 to Aug. 27, various venues in Silicon Valley. Silicon Valley's Pride celebrations are lined up not only for June, but through the end of summer, beginning with Drag Bingo, a Pride Block Party and Drag Brunch, and ending with the Silicon Valley Pride Parade and Festival. Event prices vary. svpride.com/

Napa Pride 2023: June 1-29, various venues in Napa Valley. As part of Napa Pride's 20th anniversary, Napa Valley will host a series of Pride festivities including a car parade, a trivia night, a pool party and a karaoke night, plus dance parties, drag shows and many wine and booze-centric events. Event prices vary. napapride.com/

Drag Me Downtown: June 1-29, various venues in San Francisco. Mark your calendars for a series of fierce pop-up drag shows featuring some of San Francisco's biggest drag names. With new performers at a new venue each week, this sequin-studded series will celebrate Pride while supporting local businesses. Free admission. downtownst.org/do/drag-me-downtown

Sonoma County Pride 2023: June 1 to July 21, various venues in Sonoma County. Sonoma County's huge lineup of events for Pride month includes the 38th annual Sonoma County Pride Parade and Festival, a movie night, a Wigs & Waffles Drag Brunch, a pool party, a gay wine weekend and more. Events prices vary. sonomacountypride.org/festival/

SF Pride 2023 Kickoff Party: 6:30 to 10 p.m. June 2, 429 Castro St., San Francisco. Calling all the fabulous to flock to the Castro Theatre for a Pride kick-off celebration featuring a jaw-dropping lineup of Bay Area drag, theater, music and film legends. \$20 suggested donation. bit.ly/CastroKickoff

Vacaville Pride Summer Festival: 12 to 4 p.m. June 3, Andrews Park, 614 E Monte Vista Ave., Vacaville. Vacaville is celebrating Pride with a star-studded lineup of entertainment featuring dancers, a live DJ and drag performers from all over the Bay Area. Free admission. bit.ly/VacavillePride

Pride Paint-N-Sip: 1 to 3 p.m. June 3, 4318 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Oakland. Celebrate LGBTQ+ love with a private paint party offering pre-drawn Pride inspired stencils. Materials and drinks are included; all you need to bring is your artsy self. \$40. bit.ly/PridePaintParty

Oakland Public Library Pride Celebration: 3 p.m. June 3, 3301 E. 12th St., Oakland. The OPL is hosting a Pride celebration featuring a drag storytime, Coventry and Kaluza, Queer Taiko drumming, henna and face painting. Free admission. bit.ly/OPLpride

Filoli Pride 2023: June 3-4, 86 Cañada Rd, Woodside. The Filoli Historic House & Garden will celebrate Pride with a weekend of joyful creative performances and experiences, including a Drag Queen Storytime, Japanese taiko drumming by Queer Taiko and colorful Mexican folk dancing by Folclorico Colibri. \$0-\$34. filoli.org/visit/pride/

Clayton Pride 2023: 10 a.m. June 4, Main Street, Downtown Clayton. Watch the second annual Clayton Pride Parade — this year with an "All the Colors in the Rainbow" theme — then enjoy a picnic in the park, dine at downtown establishments and enjoy Pride festivities including balloon making and face painting. Free admission. claytonpride.com/

Queens in Wine Country Drag Brunch: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 4, 100 Boyes Blvd., Sonoma. Come out to Santé at Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn to get your daytime Wine Country drag fix. Join MGM Grande and her drag sisters and brothers for a Pride celebration and performance combining brunch, flair and big hair. \$89-\$139. bit.ly/QueensinWineCountry

The Big Gay Wine Soirée: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 4, 1020 Foothill Blvd., Calistoga. Get ready to strut your stuff and celebrate all things fabulous and fierce at Tank Garage Winery's first Pride benefit and release party. Don your best outfit, grab your crew and enjoy an afternoon of great wine and glorious queens. \$50. visitcalistoga.com/event/the-big-gay-wine-soiree/

Richmond Pride 2023: 12 p.m. June 4, Civic Center Plaza, Richmond. Enjoy a Pride celebration featuring art, music and drag at Richmond's ninth annual Rainbow Pride. This year's theme is "Pride and Joy." Free admission. richmondrainbowpride.org/

Full Queer presents 'Pride or Die': 2 p.m. June 4, 845 Marina Bay Parkway, Richmond. The wrestling dynamos of Full Queer will be putting homophobia in a headlock at Armistice Brewing Company for Pride Month. \$15-\$25. <u>bit.ly/FullQueerPrideorDie</u>

Yountville Pride 2023: June 5-11, various venues in Napa Valley. Yountville is hosting a whole slew of Pride celebrations, including a Pride trivia night, a Pride pool party and a Music in the Park celebration, plus several drag brunches and Pride-inspired wine and booze events. Event prices vary, yountville.com/pridecelebrations/

Mortified presents 'MORT- PRIDE': 7:30 p.m. June 9, OASIS, 298 11th St., San Francisco. Mortified

CAFILM Pride: June 9-11, Smith Rafael Film Center, 1118 Fourth St., San Rafael. CAFILM will present its first-ever Pride series showcasing the best LGBQTIA+ films that made history, not only because they won awards or international acclaim, but because of their importance in elevating new perspectives and voices. \$7.75-\$13.25 per event. rafaelfilm.cafilm.org/pride-2023/

Queer Afro Latin Dance Festival: June 9-11, Doubletree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose. The fifth annual Queer Afro Latin Dance Festival brings together dancers and music lovers for three days of dance, music, performances, pool parties, dance competitions, panel discussions and more than 60 hours of dancing. \$25-\$300. bit.ly/QueerAfroLatinDanceFestival

Vallejo Artisan Pride Market: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 10, 332 Georgia St., Vallejo. Kick off summer and give back to the local Vallejo LGBTQIA community with a Pride Market offering art, vendors, music and kids activities. Free admission. bit.ly/VallejoPrideMarket

San Mateo Pride 2023: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 10, San Mateo Central Park, 50 E. Fifth Ave., San Mateo. San Mateo County's 11th annual Pride Celebration is a space to champion inclusion and wellness for LGBTQIA+ folks and allies. This year's celebration will feature live entertainment, resource and vendor booths, and family friendly activities. Free admission. smcpridecelebration.com/

Windsor Pride Festival: 2 to 8 p.m. June 10, Windsor Town Green, 701 McClelland Drive, Windsor. See that love wins in Windsor with a Pride celebration featuring music, dancing, face painting, local food and wine and all the colors of the rainbow. Free admission. bit.ly/WindsorPride2023

Family Pride Fest: 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. June 11, 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley. Enjoy a joyous and celebratory family Pride festival featuring a carnival, a drag storytime, a dance party and a carnival with tie dye, flag decorating, rainbow crafts and dress-up festivities. Free admission. bit.ly/FamilyPrideFest

Half Moon Bay Pride 2023: 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. June 11, Main Street, Half Moon Bay. Visit Half Moon Bay as it celebrates Pride this year with a parade along Main Street and a celebration with entertainment, food, drinks and a family fun zone at Mac Dutra Square. Free admission. bit.ly/HalfMoonBayPride

Pinole Pride 2023: 12 to 3 p.m. June 11, Fernandez Park, 595 Tennent Ave., Pinole. The city's first-ever Pinole Pride event will feature food trucks, children's activities, arts and crafts, face painting, a balloon twister, a petting zoo and musical performances. Free admission. bit.ly/PinolePride

Can't Drag Us Down – A Night of Drag & Defiance: 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. June 11, Shakewell, 3407 Lakeshore Ave., Oakland. Get ready to strut your stuff and wave your rainbow flags high, because Shakewell is hosting a fabulous drag show fundraiser showcasing some of the Bay Area's most amazing drag queens, while raising funds for the LGBTQ++ Center of Oakland. \$25. bit.ly/CantDragUsDown

Pride Celebration – The House of the Divine Abodes: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 17, 285 17th St., Oakland. Celebrate Pride by taking refuge in the Divine Abodes — love, compassion, joy and peace. The East Bay Meditation Center will offer guided meditations and interactive activities to help co-

Pride in the Plaza 2023: 12 to 6 p.m. June 17, Todos Santos Plaza, 2175 Willow Pass Road, Concord. The Rainbow Community Center's 13th annual Pride in the Plaza is a day of queer joy and celebration featuring music, performances by local LGBTQIA+ talent, vendor booths and delicious food and drinks. Free admission. bit.ly/RCCpride

JCC Pride Family Festival: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 18, 3200 California St., San Francisco. The Jewish Community Center of San Francisco is hosting a family-friendly Pride celebration featuring crafts, stories, dancing, social action, an indoor parade and a drag show. Free admission. jccsf.org/event/pride-family-festival/

Sausalito Pride 2023: June 21 to July 1, various venues in Sausalito. This series of events will include a "Pride Not Prejudice" art exhibition, the LGBTQ+ Pride Sail on the Matthew Turner, A Celebration of LGBTQ+ Literature, the Caledonia Street Pride Happy Hour, the SCA Pride Kick-off and Pride Night at Jazz and Blues by the Bay. Events prices vary. sausalitopride.org/events

Castro Family Pride Block Party: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 24, Noe Street between Market and Beaver streets, San Francisco. The second annual Castro Family Pride Block Party will feature a petting zoo, a costume contest, kids activities, drag performances, storytime and other fabulous festivities. Free admission. CastroFamilyPride



SAN FRANCISCO, CA – JUNE 26: Dancers perform along Market Street during the 52nd annual San Francisco Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Pride Parade on Sunday, June 26, 2022, in San Francisco, Calif. (Aric Crabb/Bay Area News Group)

SF Pride 2023: June 24-25, San Francisco. San Francisco Pride is back for another year with a brand new theme, "Looking Back and Moving Forward," a testimony to honoring history while advancing progress. This year's parade will go down Market Street from the Embarcadero and end at the Civic Center celebration. Free admission. sfpride.org/

Pink Block Pride Party: 12 p.m. June 24 to 3 a.m. June 25, The Great Northern, 119 Utah St., San Francisco. The block is back! Spend Pride weekend with thousands of your queer pals at the party that sits at the intersection of work and serve, underground and universal, chill and rave. Come out for this fierce day-to-night pride party featuring local and national talent. \$30-\$130. bit.ly/PinkBlockPride

Tour d'Equator – Pride Ride 2023: 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 25, Equator Coffees, 244 Highway 1, Mill Valley. Enjoy a Pride Ride through Marin from Equator Coffees to the top of Mount Tam for a celebratory toast, finishing with paninis and drinks at Equator Sausalito. Free. bit.ly/TourdEquatorPrideRide

Doggy Pride Pawrade: 1 p.m. June 25, 2701 Eighth St., Berkeley. Garb your doggies in their dressiest outfits for this adorable puppy Pride parade benefitting Berkeley Humane. In addition to the parade, enjoy red carpet photos, drag performances and delicious food and drinks. Free admission. bit.ly/PridePawrade

Oakland Pride 2023: Sept. 9-10, Downtown Oakland. Enjoy a safe space promoting diversity and inclusivity at Oakland's Annual Pride Parade and Festival. Let your flag fly high as you march down Broadway and get your party on at the ever-fabulous Pridefest celebration. Free admission. oaklandpride.org/

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