

Project Open Hand presents

Taste of The City

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PRESS RELEASE

Project Open Hand hosts Third Annual 'Taste of the City' Benefit Gala with Rebecca Jean Catering

Bay Area Hip Hop artist Lyrics Born to serve as evening's emcee.

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SAN FRANCISCO, April 17, 2017 – Project Open Hand, together with Rebecca Jean Catering, will host its Third Annual "Taste of the City" benefit and gala, in support of the organization's mission of providing "meals with love" to critically ill neighbors and seniors in the Bay Area. The benefit is an exciting culinary experience that combines food enthusiasts with those with an appetite for philanthropy.

This year's event takes place on Monday, May 15 at Bespoke in the Westfield Centre and features very special guest, Bay Area Hip-Hop artist Lyrics Born as the evening's master of ceremonies.

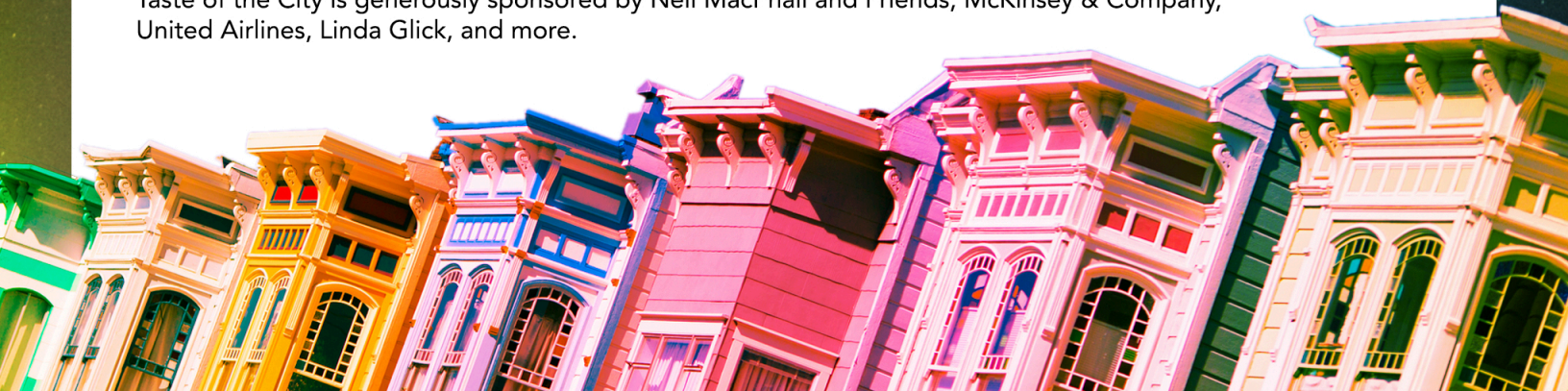
Funds raised provide crucial support for Project Open Hand programs. Taste of the City celebrates the 32nd anniversary of Project Open Hand, a nonprofit founded in San Francisco that has provided more than 19 million nutritious meals to critically ill neighbors and seniors in the Bay Area.

"We're thrilled to kick off our first event of the year where we will celebrate our accomplishments and kick-start summer fundraising efforts," said Amira Barger, Vice President of Development and Communications at Project Open Hand. "We look forward to seeing long-term community partners in the room to celebrate all we've accomplished together, as well as new faces looking to get involved in the work we do. Both are equally vital in the growth of Project Open Hand."

Taste of the City begins at 5:30 pm with a cocktail reception at Bespoke. Following the cocktail reception, VIP dinner guests will be treated to an exclusive and upscale culinary experience featuring a three-course dinner especially crafted by Project Open Hand's own Executive Chef Adrian Barrow and prepared by event partner, Rebecca Jean Catering.

Guests will dine on delicious appetizers, enjoy signature drinks, and have the opportunity to bid on luxurious live auction items.

Taste of the City is generously sponsored by Neil MacPhail and Friends, McKinsey & Company, United Airlines, Linda Glick, and more.



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About Rebecca Jean Catering

California Rooted. Globally Inspired. Rebecca Jean Catering features classic technique and natural instinct shape our creations. Made to intrigue and satisfy, our food delivers bold flavors and balance in each bite. We strive to captivate our clients by marrying the familiar with the exotic to cultivate flavors that are attractive to daring and traditional palates alike. We focus on ingredients that are seasonally fresh and locally sourced. Our purveyors are some of the finest in the Bay Area, providing us with the tools to handcraft an artisan meal from start to finish. We respect nutritional preferences and maintain high standards with dietary accommodations including vegan, gluten-free, dairy-free and more. There is no menu that cannot be expertly tailored to meet your needs.

About Lyrics Born

Amongst the dusty records of UC Davis' KDVS college radio station, Tom Shimura, who currently makes records as Lyrics Born, found too much to love. Sandwiched between gatefold LPs, 12-inch singles, dub versions and white-labels was a reservoir of inspiration that he would draw on for the following decades. That was then. This is now. Since his college days, Bay Area-native Lyrics Born's raw, authentic talent has been polished to a gleaming beacon of originality in a time when it's needed most.



Event information and tickets are available at: bidpal.net/tasteofthecity

Project Open Hand is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides meals with love to critically ill neighbors and seniors. Every day, Project Open Hand prepares 2,500 nutritious meals and provides 200 bags of healthy groceries to help sustain our clients as they battle serious illnesses, isolation, or the health challenges of aging.

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