Now Booking | A Techno-Utopian Bar in San Francisco for Those Who Like to Think While They Drink

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Since merriment sometimes just isn’t enough, the Interval, a Mensa-courting bar that opens this month in the Fort Mason Center, also offers a library stacked with 1,000 literary masterworks and reference books, an ambient soundtrack created by Brian Eno and, later this year, two robots: One will make drinks, while the other will write predictions about the future on the space’s massive chalkboard. Conceived by the San Francisco-based collective the Long Now Foundation — whose board of directors includes Eno and the Whole Earth Catalog creator Stewart Brand — the Interval will also host regular salons for cerebral scenesters.

The Interval opens June 15 at 2 Marina Blvd Bldg A, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco; theinterval.org. Correction: June 22, 2014 A picture caption with an entry in the “This and That” feature last Sunday about the Interval, a new bar in San Francisco, misidentified the type of container in which the bar serves whiskey to its patrons. It is a flask, not a beaker.