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# The SFist To-Do List: 12 Cool Things To Check Out This Week

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Rick Prelinger's "Lost Landscapes of San Francisco 11," image via [The Long Now Foundation/Facebook](#)

*Following the tragic fire of last week, we've set aside some of the many benefits and fundraisers for victims of the disaster that are happening across the bay, with a particular emphasis, naturally, on Oakland. Celebrate the scene, support artists, and enjoy time with your loved ones at the events below.*

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6**

**CLEVE JONES BOOK READING:** Before you catch [the ABC miniseries based on his memoir When We Rise](#) in which he's portrayed by Guy Pearce, catch Cleve Jones in person at Book Passage in the Ferry Building. Jones, a Harvey Milk acolyte, was the co-founder of the San Francisco AIDS foundation and the father of the AIDS Memorial Quilt. Book Passage, 1 Ferry Building, 6 p.m., free

**IMPACT HOLIDAY MARKET:** Make a difference by shopping for unique products from small local brands. The movers and shakers of [the Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center](#) and [the San Francisco Economic Development Alliance](#) will have their goods on display at [the coworking space Covo](#). Covo, 981 Mission Street, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., free admittance

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

**RICK PRELINGER'S LOST LANDSCAPES OF SF:** Rick Prelinger of [the Prelinger Library](#) returns for his annual Lost Landscapes of San Francisco show, which features archival film footage celebrating the city's past, like new shots for this year of Seals Stadium and the Cow Palace in the late '30s. The event, also hosted by The Long Now Foundation, spans two nights this year due to demand, and Tuesday's show has sold out, but tickets for Wednesday remain. The audience at the Castro Theatre will provide the "soundtrack," shouting out questions or names of places as they recognize them on screen. Castro Theatre, 429 Castro Street, 7:30 p.m., \$20 public, \$50 Prelinger Library Patron Level

**MIDSUMMER STUDIOS OAKLAND FIRE BENEFIT SHOWS:** You might want to bring your own chair for this show, because it's turning out to be a big one, organizers say. That also means that artists like stellar singer-songwriter Kimya Dawson are playing two shows in a row, one at 7 p.m. and on at 9 p.m. "THIS IS A BENEFIT SHOW FOR VICTIMS OF THE OAKLAND FIRE. BRING ALL YOUR MONEY," write organizers. Expect film screenings, too, including Torrey Pines a stop-motion animated feature film by director Clyde Petersen. Midsummer Studios, 5743 Horton Street, Suite A, Emeryville, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m., \$10 at the door + donations

**HARD FRENCH/EL RIO BENEFIT FOR GHOST SHIP VICTIMS:** Acts at this El Rio fundraiser include Thao and the Get Down Stay Down and Hard French with DJ Carnita and Brown Amy, and all proceeds go to [the YouCaring Fire relief fund](#) as it approaches its goal. El Rio, 3158 Mission Street, 7 p.m. to 2 a.m., \$5

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

**STREET PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT OPENING:** The San Francisco Street Photography Group, organized in 2013, captures everyday life in our city — you've seen some of their members' work right here on SFist. In a juried selection they show off some of their finest work, with curators being Dave Christensen, Jim Watkins, Michael Kirschner, Denis Englander, RE Casper. The show runs through January 22nd, but the reception will be where it's at! Harvey Milk Photo Center, 50 Scott Street, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. opening reception, free

**DRAG QUEENS ON ICE:** Taking a break from their high heels, local drag queens are strapping on ice skates instead at the Union Square rink. It's a popular holiday tradition and unlike some drag shows, it's appropriate for audiences of all ages. Safeway Holiday Ice Rink in Union Square, 333 Post Street, 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., \$6-12

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

**CHRONICLE BOOKS WAREHOUSE SALE:** Get your holiday shopping done or shop for your holiday cook book etc. at Chronicle Books' biggest warehouse sale of the year. Every purchase you make also gets you 15% off at Tony's Slice House next door, so save room. The sale starts Wednesday and runs through Friday, with hours the same everyday. Chronicle Books Corporate Headquarters, 680 2nd Street, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., free entry

**ELI'S MILE HIGH CLUB GHOST SHIP BENEFIT:** "The scene is strong" organizers declare, and all proceeds from their fundraiser go to [the fire relief fund](#) previously mentioned as well as a [Safety Fund for Oakland and Community Spaces](#). Acts are Shannon and the Clams, HGS, Diesel Dudes, Preening, and more. Eli's Mile High Club, 3629 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Oakland, 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., price not listed, but this is a benefit/fundraiser, so bring yer \$\$

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

**EAST BAY ALTERNATIVE BOOK AND ZINE FEST:** The 7th annual celebration of zine magic, this year "EBABZ" has changed its location at the last minute, but never fear, it's still going down. "We need this now more than ever," organizers write in light of the devastating Oakland fire, and volunteers are still being sought. The David Brower Center, 2150 Allston Way, Berkeley, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., free, probably accepting donations

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

**SANTA SKIVVIES RUN THROUGH THE CASTRO:** NOT to be confused with Santa Con, the frat chugging loserfest of the day before, the Santa Skivvies Run is a festive, one-mile prance through the gayborhood that benefits the San Francisco AIDS foundation. "Join us as we drop trou, raise funds, and fight AIDS," organizers encourage. The Lookout, 3600 16th

Street, 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. run, registration and check-in prior, \$45 advanced registration to run, \$55 on-site, and don't forget to fundraise while there's time!

**MOBY DJ-SET BENEFIT:** Another Planet, Beautiful Buzzz, Crossroads, Dirtybird Records, and more are supporting this event at Mezzanine to raise funds for the relief for the victims of the Oakland fire and their families. Lights Down Low's Richie Panic & DJ CZ are there, too and there will also be a silent auction and a raffle. Mezzanine, 444 Jessie Street, 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., \$20 minimum donation

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