



Approved Caterers & Vendor Recommendations

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The Academy does require the use of approved caterers for your events and has curated an exclusive list of options for you to choose from.* If you have any questions pertaining to green certification, food requirements, or menu selection, we'd be happy to help recommend the caterer best suited to your needs and budget.

Each caterer has been Academy trained to follow all of our policies and guidelines, and each carries the required insurance, health permits, and liquor liability insurance.

***Please note:** We are unable to approve any caterers outside of this list.

Caterers

» Betty Zlatchin Catering

415.641.8599

David Zlatchin - info@bettyzlatchin.com

In business for over 30 years, Betty Zlatchin Catering brings years of event management and catering experience to the table to ensure your event is fabulous. They use organic, sustainable food from local vendors, bringing these components together in dishes that are both delicious and beautiful to behold. From weddings to corporate dinner galas, every menu they create is customized to match your taste and style of event.



» Carrie Dove Catering

415-460-9995

Jessica Hardley - sales@carriedovecatering.com

Since 2001, Carrie Dove Catering & Events has worked hard to build a team of talented chefs, creative event specialists, captains and wait staff. Our food would most often be characterized as California cuisine, with focus on using high quality and local ingredients. However, over the years, we have customized menus for so many clients, that we are also experienced in cuisine from all over the world! Our tagline, "comfortably elegant", refers to the fact that we put on beautiful events, while treating our clients, staff, and vendors not only professionally, but also like family. We are not limited to providing just great food – we also have a full-time event team, with coordinators who help our clients with design & décor, rentals & equipment, bar service, florals, entertainment, and a host of other event-related services.



» Componere Fine Catering

510.420.0900

Ethan Mantle - ethan@componerefinecatering.com

Meaghan Sause Weiss - meaghan@componerefinecatering.com

Called "the cutting edge caterer" by San Francisco magazine, Componere Fine Catering is redefining catering with an industry leading culinary team trained at the best restaurants in the world. Our farm in Marin, run by our co-founder, complements our Green Business Certification and inspires our micro seasonal, custom designed menus. The best food is an important part of the experience, but componere is Latin for "to bring all the parts together," and we know every component is essential. Our service and event production team expertly plans and executes high profile events. Whether it's for 100 or 5000 guests, our mission is the same - to make people happy and craft an experience your guests won't forget.

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» Constellation Culinary Group

415.379.8201

Email: events@constellationculinary.com

Constellation Culinary Group is dedicated to providing best-in-class dining experiences for one-of-a-kind events, world-class cultural centers, professional settings, restaurants, and cafés. We firmly believe that nothing brings people together like amazing food—and nothing makes us happier than making those unforgettable connections happen. From our fresh approach to every course to our belief in thoughtful service, sustainably sourced local ingredients, and eco-conscious solutions, you'll find that the spirit of connection is the first ingredient in everything that we do. Our team of culinary experts can create curated events that uniquely align with the California Academy of Sciences experience and mission. They are also available as a stand-alone beverage service company.



» Culinary Eye Catering and Events

415-874-7674

Your Event is Our Specialty - events@Culinaryeye.com

If we were walking into a room together, we would be the ones holding the door open. We believe that life's fondest memories are built not just on great company, but on excellent food, incredible beverages, and a memorable location such as the Cal Academy of Sciences. Add to that an artistic presentation and impeccable service and you have our recipe for the perfect event. We take pride in what we do and pride ourselves on giving you the personal attention you need to make your event exactly how you envision it.



» Foxtail Catering and Events

415.282.2600

Rhonda Davidson - rhonda@foxtailcatering.com

Founded by Chef/ Owner Tommy Halvorson, Foxtail Catering & Events is a full-service event production company with a full suite of capabilities ranging from the simplest request to the most extravagant. Whether it's a cocktail party for 200, a 5 course seated dinner for 350, a 3-day conference for 2000, or a grand celebration for 2500, Foxtail has the ability to plan every detail of your next event, taking your ideas and turning them into reality. Taking a restaurant approach to menu creation and execution, we source directly from local farms utilizing organic and sustainable produce and proteins as much as possible.



» **Global Gourmet Catering**

415.965.4968

Elaine Burrel - Elaine@ggcatering.com

Global Gourmet Catering creates incomparable experiences through highly customized food, beverage and event services, using sustainable practices and a customer service driven team to exceed all expectations as a local San Francisco caterer.



» **Knight's Catering**

415.920.3663

Molly Kelly - info@knights catering.com

Knight's Catering is a full-service event planning company serving a wide range of clients since 1963. Customizing over 500 events per year, and with 45 years of event experience, Knights can help you plan and execute a truly memorable event that meets your style and budget. While each event and client is unique in their needs, the Knight's objective is constant: ensuring your experience exceeds your expectations.



» **McCalls**

415.552.8550

Lee Gregory - info@mccallssf.com

McCalls is Bay Area's premier full-service catering and event production company. Over the past 40 years, we have produced thousands of events for a wide range of discerning clients. Our internationally trained culinary team creates diverse, delicious, and sustainable food, served by a highly professional service staff dedicated to ensuring elevated guest experience. McCall's expert mixologists craft classic and innovative, seasonal cocktails using the best local products. They are also available as a stand-alone beverage service company. Please ask for our packages.



» **Melon's Catering**

650.583.1756

Ann Lyons - info@melonscatering.com

Since its establishment in 1983, Melon's Catering and Events has earned a steady and loyal following of both corporate and private clients by integrating a fine dining experience with one-of-a-kind touches unique to each special event. Innovative menus with an emphasis on the freshest, local, seasonal ingredients, attentive, professional service and creative presentation have made Melon's one of the Bay Area's premier catering and event planning companies. They are also available as a stand-alone beverage service company.



» Taste Catering

415.550.6464 Ext. 128

Christopher Lee - christopher@tastecatering.com

Taste Catering is passionate about food, creating seasonal, sustainable, and delicious menus for their clients. Known as the premiere catering company in the San Francisco Bay Area, they are committed to making each event unique. Taste is dedicated to quality products and services and emphasizes "on-site" food preparation to ensure delicious food. They are community minded, participating in hundreds of charitable events annually. They are also available as a stand-alone beverage service company.

Taste

CATERING AND EVENT PLANNING





Vendors

While we welcome clients to bring vendors of their own, we've curated a list of those that have already worked with the Academy. Should you wish to supply your own vendor, please note that we require an on-site, pre-event walk through with them. See below some vendor recommendations for your event, but you are welcome to bring any of your choice:

Authorized Beverage and Specialty Food Providers

» [Meat Wine Cheese / San Francisco Cocktail Club](#)

415-915-0821

Rebecca Lanham - cheers@sfcoktail.club

**SAN FRANCISCO
COCKTAIL CLUB**

» [Bar Car](#)

415-843-1150

Austin Klein - austin@barcarevents.com

Bar Car

» [Bartenders Unlimited](#)

415-454-3731

Andrea Osorio - Andrea@busstaff.com

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**BARTENDERS
UNLIMITED**

A.V. / Lighting

» **Allegra Entertainment & Events**

650.685.8222

Kier LaCrosse - kier@allegraevents.com



» **Everything Audio Visual**

415.671.3880

Chris Williams - office@everythingav.com



» **Got Light**

415.863.4300

Sean Shay - sean@got-light.com



» **Illuminate Events**

415.725.6954

Dan Knight - dan@illuminateeventsinc.com



» **Impact Lighting**

800.457.7501

Maxx Kurzunski - maxxk@impactsf.com



» **JL Imagination**

415-830-2241

Patty Pedreschi - info@jlimagination.com



» **The Lux Productions**

707.939.1200 (o) 415.939.3223 (c)

Jared Villarreal - jared@thelux.com



» **Last Wave Productions**

408.891.8032

Maxwell Alegria - max@lastwaveproductions.com



Production Company & Meeting Planner

» **Erickson Sound Production**

415-216-5809 (c) 415-432-9950 (o)
Nils Erickson - nils@ericksonsoundproductions.com



» **Aurice Guyton Events**

510-731-4425
Aurice Guyton, Event Producer - aurice@auriceguyton.com



Entertainment

» **Denon & Doyle Entertainment**

415.861.5021
Sue Doyle - sue@djay.com



» **Entire Productions**

415.291.9191
Natasha Miller - natasha@entireproductions.com



» **Gregangelo's Velocity Arts & Entertainment**

415.664.0095
Gregangelo - velocitysf@gregangelo.com



» **Hush Concerts / Silent Disco**

1.833.487.4872
John Miles - john@hushconcerts.com



» **Innovative Entertainment**

415.552.1258
Kerri Becker - kerri@inn-entertainment.com



» **Pop Fiction - Northern California's Premier Band**

415.717-9802
Dan Meblin - Dan@popfictionlive.com



Photo Booth / Photography

- » **Say Yeah! Photo Booth**
415.944.7505
Alex Yow - info@sayyaphotobooth.com

- » **Snap Fiesta**
855.762.7343
Gene Kosoy - gene@snapfiesta.com

- » **Vanity Studio**
415.504.2943
Chanda Dawson - chanda@thevanityportraitstudio.com

- » **Drew Altizer Photography**
415.812.2500
Tara Crabtree - booking@drewaltizer.com

- » **Michelle Walker Photography**
415.235.5400
Michelle Walker - michelle@michellewalker.com

- » **Orange Photography**
415.505.6172
Gene Hwang - genex@orangephotography.com

- » **SF Booths**
415-604-8446
Toby Proescher - hello@sfbooths.com

- » **Jim Vetter Photography**
415-789-6150
Jim Vetter - jim@jimvetter.com



Rentals / Decor

» **Abbey Party Rents**

(415) 715-6911 ex 1008

Cristina Ramos - cristina@fulcrumgroup.events



» **AFR Furniture Rental**

510.754.8023

Joanne Si - jsi@rentfurniture.com



» **Bright Event Rentals**

707.940.6060

Amber Pizante - apizante@brightrentals.com



» **Blueprint Studios**

415.922.9004

Lynsey Martin - lynsey@blueprintstudios.com



» **Novo Studio (formerly Dekko88)**

650.307.7979

Sherry Landi - sherry@dekko88.com



» **Hensley Event Resources**

650.692.7007

Michael Douglas - mdouglas@hensleyeventresources.com



» **Standard Party Rentals**

510.232.5030

n/a - n/a



Transportation / Parking

» [Soiree](#)

415.284.9700

n/a - info@soireevalet.com

» [Pure Luxury Transportation](#)

415.777.5777

n/a - n/a

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SPECIAL EVENT PARKING SERVICE, INC

PURE LUXURY
TRANSPORTATION
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Team Building

» [Rock and Roll Team Building](#)

808.230.1630

Ciaran Gribbin - ciaran.gribbin@rockandrollteambuilding.com



» [Tiny B Chocolates](#)

650.644.8899

Andrei Stoica - andrei@tinybchocolate.com



» [Over the Wall Thinking](#)

704.236.4575

Andy - Andy@OTWthinking.com



» [Watson Adventure](#)

1-877-946-4868

n/a - n/a

 **Watson Adventures®**

Florist

» [Sharla Flock](#)

415.668.9905

Sharla Flock - sharla@sharlaflockdesigns.com



» **Garden Party SF**

408.603.6034

Melissa Tjogas - Info@gardenpartysf.com

» **Flower Casita**

707.559.5243

Tali - events@flowercasita.com



DJ

» **Love in the Mix**

415.689.0471

n/a - info@loveinthemix.com

