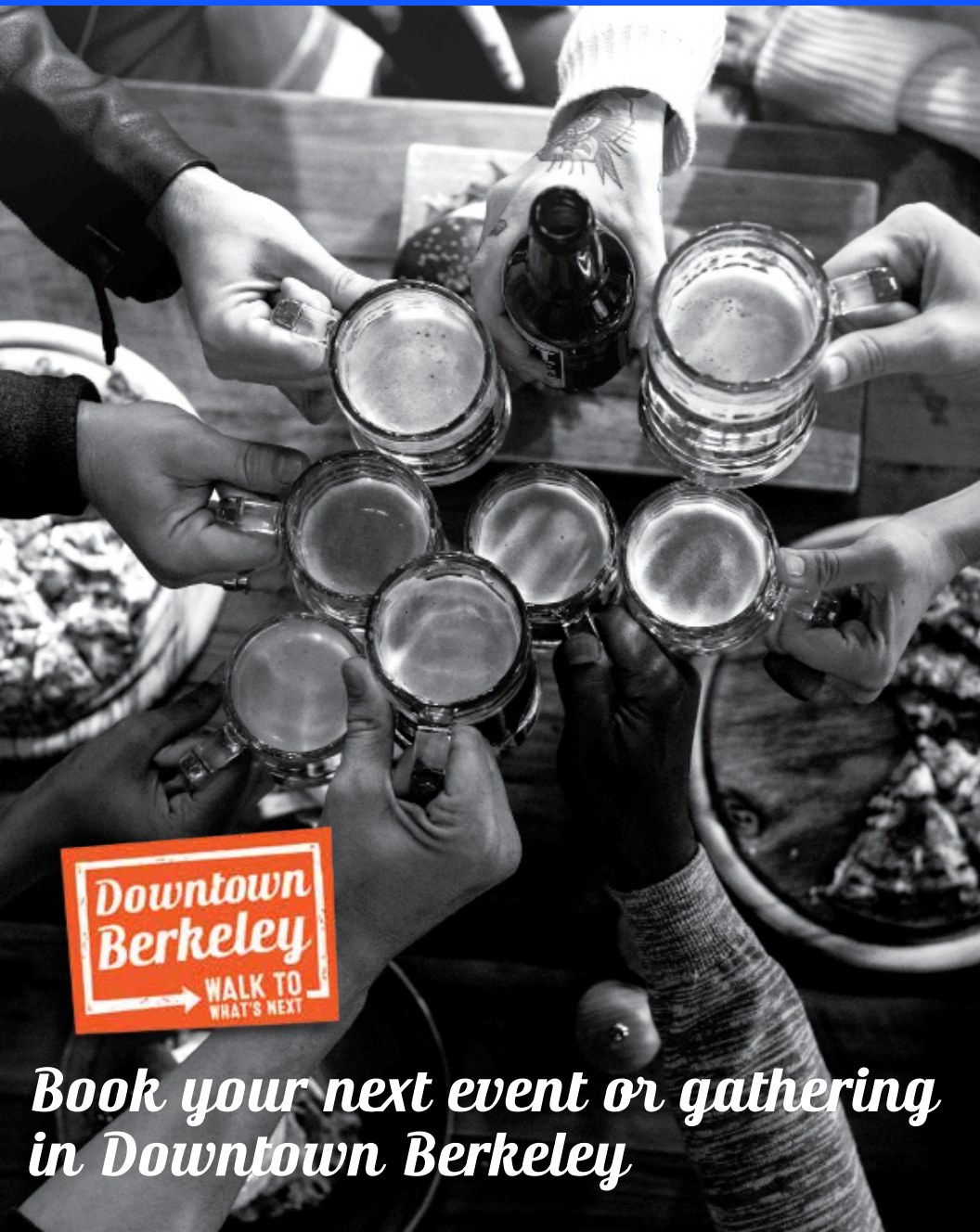


DOWNTOWN VENUE BERKELEY GUIDE 2023-24



*Book your next event or gathering
in Downtown Berkeley*

WELCOME



John Caner
Downtown Berkeley
Association, CEO

"Welcome to the Event Venue Guide to Downtown Berkeley! We know what it takes to make a spectacular event and we are excited to share this guide of our most amazing and innovative venues right here in Downtown Berkeley. From the cozy intimacy of Comal's private dining space to the picturesque historic Shattuck Hotel to the grandeur of the newly renovated UC Theater, we feel you will agree that this lengthy list of venues are perfect for everything from a major conference, launch party, corporate event, wedding, birthday, fundraiser, or dinner party.

Thank you for considering Downtown Berkeley for your next event!"

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THE UC THEATRE



THE DAVID BROWER CENTER



GATHER KITCHEN



STUDY HALL, RESIDENCE INN

PRIVATE DINING

Comal
Revival Bar and Kitchen

CAPACITY 10-50

22
40

SMALL VENUES

Aurora Theatre
Berkeley Public Library
Berkeley City College
Cornerstone
David Brower Center
Dharma College
East Media Center
The Marsh Berkeley
Spats Bar
Triple Rock Brewery
Tupper & Reed

CAPACITY 70-300

150
110
230
180
200
100
70
250
250
250
70

LARGE VENUES

Berkeley Rep
Berkeley Community Theatre
Freight & Salvage
Hotel Shattuck Plaza
Magnes Jewish Museum
Residence Inn
F. Schwimley Little Theater
The UC Theatre

CAPACITY 300-1000+

570
3,500
490
100-700
300
300
575
1,400

For more info or to list your downtown location please contact
info@downtownberkeley.com or call 510.549.2230

PRIVATE DINING 10-50

Comal 22 capacity



2020 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 926-6300 [More Information](#)

COMAL is a gathering place located in Berkeley's bustling Arts District that serves wood-fired Mexican food. The restaurant is housed in a hundred year old building that features a lush, secluded rear patio with a full bar, covered dining area and al fresco beer garden with fire pit. Comal has appeared multiple times in the SF Chronicle Top 100 list since opening in 2012.

- **Table 30 - community table for groups of 8-11**
- **Abajo - private basement dining room for 12-22**
- **Full Buyouts - book the entire restaurant for 75-200+ people**
- **Patio Buyouts - covered patio and al fresco beer garden for 75-150 people**
- **Patio Picnics - exclusive use of the patio/ beer garden for parties of 25-100 people**

Revival Bar & Kitchen 40-55 capacity



2102 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 549-9950 [More Information](#)

Revival Bar+Kitchen is happy to offer private a dining room for your special event. They provide beautiful, flavorful, responsibly sourced food, smooth, attentive service, and a lovely space for your group to enjoy. Their mission is want your experience with them to be seamless, pleasing, and memorable for every guest you invite.

- **Private Dining Capacity: 40 people**
- **Full AV set with sound**
- **full buyouts of entire space available (up to 140 seated, 200 standing).**
- **Food is sustainably, responsibly sourced; organic and local ingredients**
- **1 block from the UC Berkeley campus and BART**
- **Centrally located in Downtown Berkeley**

SMALL VENUES 70-300

Aurora Theatre 50-150 capacity



2081 Addison St, Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 843-4822 [More Information](#)

As the storyteller for our community, Aurora Theatre Company inspires new audiences and longtime theatre lovers alike with the visceral power of live theatre. Our venues, the most intimate professional stages in the Bay Area, highlight great acting, nuanced language, and an immediacy that makes for exhilarating theatre.

- **Non Profit Discount Rates**
- **Available for auditions, rehearsals, classroom, and meetings**

Berkeley City College 120 capacity



2050 Center St, Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 981-2800 [More Information](#)

Berkeley City College's mission is to promote student success, to provide our diverse community with educational opportunities, and to transform lives.

- **Auditorium Capacity:** 228 (including 2 handicap areas)
- **Atrium Capacity:** 170
- **Classroom Capacity:** 45-50

SMALL VENUES 70-300

Berkeley Public Library, Central 110 capacity



2090 Kittredge St, Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 981-6100 [More Information](#)

The Berkeley Public Library has served the people of Berkeley since 1893, and looks forward to providing many more years of community service. The Library is one of the most heavily used libraries in California, serving a local population of 118,950 and more from the surrounding area. (US Census estimate as of July 1, 2022) The Central Library, located in downtown Berkeley, and four recently renovated branches ensure easy library access for residents in Berkeley's many and diverse neighborhoods.

- **Chairs and tables are also available.**
- **The Central Community Meeting Room has a projector, screen, and PA system.**

Bobby G's Pizza 100 capacity



2072 University Ave, Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 214-8600 [More Information](#)

Cornerstone offers 13,000 sq ft in one of the newest and one of the most exciting venues in the East Bay. The new Harman / JBL compact Line Array system has been acoustically mastered to provide one of the best concert experiences in the Bay Area. Its spacious layout provides for up to three green rooms, VIP mezzanine viewing and excellent sight lines throughout the space.

- **PA System**
- **Beer and Wine Bar**
- **Multiple TV's**
- **Outdoor seating**
- **In House Catering**
- **Fully staffed**

SMALL VENUES 70-300

David Brower Center 200 capacity



2150 Allston Way Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 809-0900 [More Information](#)

The David Brower Center is committed to hosting low-impact, environmentally conscious events in stylish convening spaces. Their five rental spaces are perfect for a wide range of private and public events including celebrations, conferences, receptions, and meetings.

- **Discounted rates to nonprofit, educational and governmental groups.**
- **Brower Center staff handles on-site logistics so you can focus on planning a great event.**
- **All rooms are designed with attractive, non-toxic sustainable materials.**
- **High-quality equipment features audio reinforcement by Meyer Sound.**
- **Discounts are available for multiple space bookings**
- **Onsite public parking garage**
- **One block from the Downtown Berkeley BART and multiple bus lines**

East Bay Media Center's Screening Room 70 capacity



1939 Addison St. Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 843-3699 [More Information](#)

EBMC is dedicated to providing the resources for affordable access to technologies that enhance and empower independent producers in our community. EBMC serves the Non-Profit East Bay Community, UC Berkeley, Community Colleges, Independent Producers and Students.

- **70 people, hallway gallery for food 40-50 people**
- **HD projection, PA, microphones, interface computers to projections,**
- **Gallery track lightings,**
- **Staff who can hang art exhibits**
- **Tables, gallery lighting, ADA accessible restroom**

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Cornerstone 180 capacity



2110 Durant Ave. Berkeley, CA 94704

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- **Tables and chairs**
- **Full PA system and lights**
- **Full bar with premium spirits, wine and craft beer**
- **Food and Beverage Team available to assist you in planning your special event**
- **Custom menu offerings including buffet style catering.**

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SMALL VENUES 70-300

Gather Kitchen 26-150 capacity



2200 Oxford Street Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 809-0400 [More Information](#)

Greenhouse Patio: 55 seated or 100 standing (can combine for more capacity)

Main Dining Room: 70 seated or 100 standing (can combine for more capacity)

Bamboo Garden: 26 seated

Since 2009, Gather has offered local, organic, ethically sourced food and drink in a warm, sustainably created space with both indoor and outdoor seating. Equally popular with omnivores, vegans and vegetarians, we are committed to ever-evolving to serve the diverse community we reside in.

- **Sit-Down Dining, Wine Receptions, Buffet, Seminar-Style**
- **Live Music & Dancing Allowed**
- **Audio Visual Available**
- **Menus are individually tailored to suit your needs and budget.**
- **Full Restaurant Buyout available for 180 seated guests or a standing reception for up to 250**

The Marsh Berkeley 250 capacity



2120 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA 94704
(415) 641-0235 [More Information](#)

This multi-level venue includes an 1850 sq ft theater area, as well as a 3000 sq ft. mezzanine level and can accommodate approximately 250 people. The rooftop terrace which boasts a panoramic view is a great addition to any gathering.

- **Flexible set-up options**
- **Accommodates 10 ~ 250 people**
- **Audio/visual equipment on premises**
- **Tables & chairs available**
- **Kitchen/Prep Area w/sink, refridgerator, and ice machine**
- **Centrall located in Downtown Berkeley**
- **1/2 Block from UC Campus, BART, and validated parking**

SMALL VENUES 70-300

Spats Bar 250 capacity



1974 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 841-7225 Email: [More Information](#)

Spats boasts a full bar and events ranging from live music, DJs and dance parties to sports game days, charity fundraisers and political debate gatherings; whatever you're looking for you'll find it here.

- **2 blocks from BART, next to Berkeley Way Parking Lot**
- **Semi Private dining room - catering available, private bar, 3 tvs, private entrance, seating for up to 40 -**
- **Game room - 2 tvs, pool table, pinball, seating up to 20**
- **Jungle room - private bar, catering available, stage and dj equipment, dance floor, seating for up to 50**
- **Partial venue buyout 100 - 250 ppl**

Triple Rock Brewery 120 capacity



1920 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 843-2739 [More Information](#)

Triple Rock has been a Berkeley staple since 1986. Having been the first brewpub to open its doors in the area, Triple Rock has been welcoming locals and travelers alike with its unique, award-winning brews and full kitchen. .

- **3 short blocks north of Downtown Berkeley Bart, and 1.0 mile (15-20 minute walk) from the Greek Theatre.**
- **Our newly-renovated Richter Room holds 120 people. The upstairs patio can hold 40 people. And our original downstairs space holds 110 people.**
- **The Richter Room comes with PA, televisions, shuffleboard, and cornhole**

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Study Hall Rooftop Lounge (Marriott) 20-200 capacity



2121 Center Street (12th floor) Berkeley, CA. 94704 (Also see Marriott Residence Inn)
(510) 982-0114 [More Information](#)

Study Hall Rooftop Lounge sits high atop the brand new Residence Inn Berkeley in Berkeley, CA, with iconic views of the San Francisco Bay area. The rooftop lounge is the quintessential location to experience the best views in Berkeley including spectacular golden hour photo-ops and colorful sunsets. The restaurant evokes local libations and craft cocktails in tandem with Oceana and Asian-inspired cuisine and was voted Best New Bar of 2022 by Nosh readers. Located on the 12th floor of the hotel located at 2121 Center Street in downtown Berkeley, CA.

Our team of professionals will walk you through all aspects of planning your special event. Take the guesswork out of selecting an extensive menu. Here, we make things easy with a variety of pre-approved selections.

SMALL VENUES 70-300

Tupper and Reed 200 capacity



2271 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94720
(510) 859-4472 [More Information](#)

A full buy out is available at Tupper & Reed, a historic staple in the Bay Area, and an amazing space to host your guests for a private event. They offer an array of options based on your event needs and group size.

- **5 bartenders**
- **3 cocktail servers**
- **Hosts and Security**
- **Full service catering**
- **Rhoades Green Room: up to 30 people**
- **Balcony Bar: up to 100 people**
- **Full Venue Buyout Available: up to 200 people**

LARGE VENUES 300– 1000+

Berkeley Community Theatre 3500 capacity



1930 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 644-6863 [More Information](#)

Berkeley High School is home to two theaters: the 3500 seat *Berkeley Community Theater* and the 575 seat *Florence Schwimley Little Theater*. The *Berkeley Community Theater* and *Florence Schwimley Little Theater* are available to rent on SATURDAYS during the school year, with a few caveats. On a first come, first served basis.

- [Theatre Specs](#)
- [Theatre Floor Plan](#)

Berkeley Repertory Theatre 500-1000 capacity



2025 Addison St, Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 647-2949 [More Information](#)

Berkeley Rep is available to organizations for a wide range of events. Various facilities and spaces are available throughout the year to accommodate events of all sizes and types, and non-profit rates are available for qualifying community organizations. Berkeley Rep operates several facilities, including two theatre buildings, an adjoining courtyard, an education center, rehearsal space, and meeting rooms. When not in use for Berkeley Rep's programming, classes, or ancillary events, these spaces are available to licensees for a variety of uses, including performances, lectures, meetings, rehearsals, receptions, special events, and other activities. In most cases, Berkeley Rep has the ability to customize our spaces to meet your individual event needs.

- **Audio Visual Included**
- **Concessions and Merchandising Available**
- **Sound System from Meyer Sound Lab**

LARGE VENUES 300– 1000+

Dharma College - Co-Working with Wisdom 500-1000 capacity



2222 Harold Way Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 809-1532 [More Information](#)

We offer a wide variety of event rental space, in an inspiring, elegant environment. Whether you're hosting a small reception, or an urban retreat, we have options to match your needs. Space Dimensions: 2600.0 sqft

- **All A/V packages:** Including PA system, projector
- **Catering available including coffee/tea service**
- **Furniture:** chairs/tabels
- **Meditation and mindfulness programming available**
- **2 Block from Downtown Berkeley BART**
- **Wifi**

Floernce Schwimley Little Theatre 575 capacity



1860 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 644-6863 [More Information](#)

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- [Theatre Specs](#)

LARGE VENUES 300– 1000+

Freight & Salvage 490 capacity



2020 Addison St. Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 644-2020 [More Information](#)

Since its founding in 1968, the Freight & Salvage has been deeply rooted in that aspect of Berkeley's culture that embraced freedom, justice, acceptance, collaboration, and innovation. The Freight is mission-driven, and has become a world famous venue for traditional music- music that is rooted in and expressive of the great variety of regional, ethnic, and social cultures of peoples throughout the world.

- **Sound System from Meyer Sound Labs**
- **Dedicated Sound Engineer**
- **Some Concessions Available**
- **2 blocks from the UC Berkeley campus**
- **1/2 block from BART**

Magnes Collection of Jewish Art & Life 300 capacity



2121 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 643-2526 [More Information](#)

The Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life was established in 2010 following the transfer of the Judah L. Magnes Museum to the University of California, Berkeley. As one of the world's preeminent Jewish collections in a university setting, it provides highly innovative and accessible resources to both researchers and the general public.

- **Spaces Offered**
 - **Theatre/Lecture: 200 people**
 - **Banquet: 150 people**
 - **Reception: 300 people**
- **Approved Caterers List**
- **Audio-visual, chairs, and tables available**
- **Staging area available for caterers**

LARGE VENUES 300 – 1000+

Marriott Residence Inn up to 300 - 517 capacity



2102 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 982-2100 [More Information](#)

Experience an energizing getaway at the Gold Leed Certified Residence Inn Berkeley. Relax and recharge in expansive hotel accommodations with fully equipped kitchens, separate living spaces and a thoughtful collection of modern amenities. Gear up for a full day of business or sightseeing with a free breakfast buffet, serving healthy and hearty options.

- **6 Event spaces - 14,000 sq ft total indoor/outdoor event space**
- **Full Service Hotel - catering breakfast, lunch, dinner and reception**
- **Full buyouts of entire space available (up to 120 seated)**
- **1 block from the UC Berkeley campus`**
- **Centrally located in Downtown Berkeley**
- **2 blocks from BART**

Shattuck Plaza Hotel 100 - 700 capacity



2086 Allston Way Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 845-7300 [More Information](#)

Old World Style - New World Amenities - With newly renovated rooms, a Mediterranean inspired menu at ZINO Restaurant and Lounge, beautifully appointed indoor/outdoor flexible meeting space with environmentally mindful features throughout, we invite you to experience our beautiful hotel. Flexible set-up available for any event.

- **Audio Visual and Sound Equipment**
- **ZINO Restaurant and Lounge available for partial and full buy-outs.**
- **Fitness center & complimentary Downtown Berkeley YMCA Access Passes**
- **Berkeley Repertory Theatre 0.25 miles away**
- **California Memorial Stadium 0.40 miles away**
- **Greek Theatre at UC Berkeley 0.80 miles away - 1/2 Block from BART**

LARGE VENUES 300– 1000+

The UC Theatre 1,400 capacity



2036 University Ave Berkeley, California 94704

Phone: (510) 356-4000 [More Information](#)

Email: specialevents@theuctheatre.org

The iconic, newly renovated UC Theatre Taube Family Music Hall is a premier East Bay music venue and special events destination. It is an exciting, multi-tiered, all-ages music venue with a state-of-the-art Meyer Leopard Sound system, theatrical lighting, a dancefloor as well as a full service restaurant and several bars. 1,000 capacity reception style, 550 theatre style, and 400 banquet style

- **Audio visual included**
- **Centrally located in Downtown Berkeley**
- **Furniture and equipment rentals, photography, entertainment booking, PA systems, custom lighting, live entertainment, and music booking.**
- **Catering and can suggest preferred vendors**
- **2 blocks from BART**

LARGE VENUES 300– 1000+

