



Alt-Gala Frequently Asked Questions

This year's gala is one-of-a-kind...at least we hope so. To serve the EBAC community, which so desperately needs our help this year, and also to make sure our guests are comfortable, you have the option of dining alone in your own home or gathering with a small group of friends in your social bubble in a backyard setting. The choice is yours. You will [buy your ticket](#) and choose your meal from one of three amazing local restaurants, then register for the online auction by entering your mobile phone number during the registration process. In the week leading up to the event (October 2-10), you will be able to participate in an online auction which will feature many amazing trips, one-of-a-kind art pieces, virtual and in-person gatherings, and much more.

On the night of the In View Alt-Gala finale (October 10), we will deliver your food and wine to you, and "see" you in our virtual event which will commence about an hour after your food is delivered. In addition to an inspiring and hopeful program emceed by Dr. Stephen Lockhart, Sutter Health Chief Medical Officer, the finale will include drawings, and a chance to "raise your paddle" in support of EBAC programs. This will absolutely be the BEST online gala the EBAC Auxiliary ever puts on! Read on for the answers to some of the questions you may have about the event.

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DINNER AND DELIVERY

What restaurants are participating?

We have three phenomenal restaurants prepared to cater our meals this year – Agave Uptown, Hopscotch and Wood Tavern. A part of each ticket's cost supports these amazing restaurants, who so desperately need our support right now.

Do my partner and I need to order from the same restaurant?

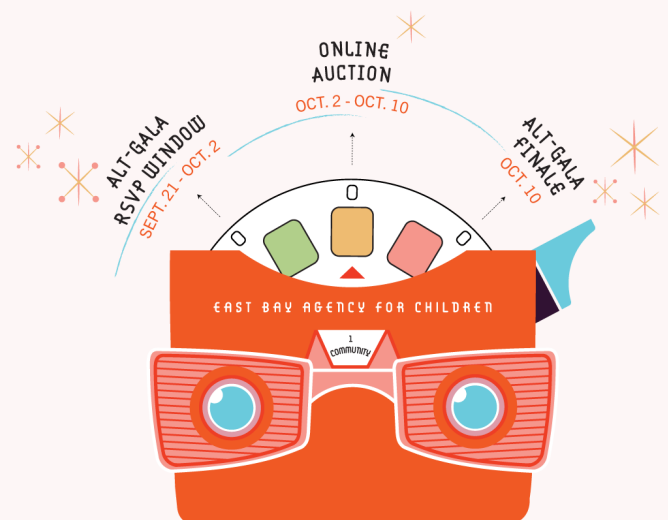
Because of the logistical challenges of delivering to all our guests in a short window on the evening of the Alt-Gala finale event, we are only able to deliver from one restaurant to each delivery address. Think of it like a date night, where you wouldn't dine separately.

How many food options will be offered from each restaurant?

Each restaurant plans to offer two meal choices.

What happens if we are eating with or hosting friends? Do we all need to order from the same location?

While guests can certainly order from different restaurants, we recommend that any group who wants to eat together appoint one person to make a reservation for the whole group from the same restaurant to ensure that the food stays warm and is delivered in the most timely way. Otherwise, you will have to accept delivery of your food at your own home(s) and then bring it to the host location.



How will you know where to deliver my meal?

To allow time to create food distribution maps, your meal delivery address must be designated at the time of registration, and no later than October 2. A couple of days before the event, we will also be putting an EBAC Alt-Gala yard sign in a prominent location in each yard that is listed as a delivery address. This will make it easier for our volunteer drivers to find your home on the evening of the Alt-Gala finale. Please do not remove the sign until after the event.

When will the food be delivered?

For those guests within our defined delivery area (Oakland, Piedmont, Orinda and parts of Berkeley), we will do our best to have meals arrive between 6:45 and 7:15 pm, although we request your understanding. Meals are being delivered by volunteers and meal delivery may experience unforeseen challenges.

What is provided along with the meal? Will we need to provide our own cutlery and plates?

In addition to a delicious and full 3-course meal, every couple will receive a gift bag containing their wine choice as well as a few extra goodies to add a little fun to the Alt-Gala dining experience. This includes placemats for each guest with details of the evening's program. You will, however, need to provide your own plates, glasses and cutlery.

Does wine come with the meal?

Keenan Winery has once again graciously donated red and/or white wine to accompany the meals. You will be able to select one of the available bottles of wine when you purchase your meals.

How much wine will be delivered per household?

One bottle will be delivered per two meals, or a single bottle if you are dining alone.

If we want to eat with other people, do we need to coordinate it ourselves or will the EBAC Auxiliary match us with others?

In the current environment, everyone's comfort level is different. With that in mind, we ask that you coordinate your own dining group(s) and order food as suggested above.

Help! I wanted food from XXX and it said that no more meals are available. How is that possible?

Each of the restaurants has committed to deliver a specific number of meals, so ordering is first come, first served. If the site indicates that not enough meals are available for you/your group, we ask that you please order from one of our other fabulous restaurants!

ALT-GALA EVENT PROGRAM**Will there be a planned program the night of the Alt-Gala finale?**

We have put together a short but phenomenal live, online program, which will be emceed by Dr. Stephen Lockhart, Chief Medical Officer of Sutter Health. This year's event will start about an hour after your meal is delivered. And it will bring us all together for an inspiring overview on the impact of EBAC's programs, a video interview with California's first and only Surgeon General, Dr. Nadine Burke Harris, a chance to "raise your paddle" in support of EBAC programs and drawings for the wine cellar.

How do I join the Alt-Gala finale "live" program?

After you register, you will receive instructions on how to log in to the live event. Details for joining the event will also be posted on the Alt-Gala website and EBAC Facebook page. The log-in information will also be texted to you AND provided on the placemats you will receive.

How do we participate in the real-time virtual event and raise our paddles?

To “raise your paddle” in the virtual event, you will need to register for the online auction. Guests will use their cell phones to bid in real time. Detailed instructions will be provided prior to the event.

Are there still sponsorship opportunities?

Yes! There are sponsorship opportunities ranging from \$500 - \$10,000 for both businesses and individuals with increasing benefits. Please [visit our sponsorship page](#) for more details on the various options.

Are you still doing a drawing for a wine cellar? How will it work this year?

Yes, and you will have multiple chances to win! This year, we will have a minimum of two “wine cellar” winners – and possibly more – who will each receive a fabulous case of wine, valued at over \$600 per case. Each case includes special red and wine selections from Duckhorn, Kosta Brown, Goldeneye and a number of other great wineries. We will also draw a ticket for one special bottle of wine that will be awarded to a separate winner, so you have many chances to win.

How will I buy a ticket to the Instant Wine Cellar?

Tickets are available for purchase during the registration process for \$100 per ticket, or five tickets for \$400. You will also have the opportunity to buy a ticket during the online auction as well as during the real-time virtual program. You need not be “present” to win, so feel free to encourage friends to buy wine cellar tickets, even if they are not able to participate in the Alt-Gala finale.

ONLINE AUCTION

How will the online auction work?

To participate in the online auction, you will need to [register here](#), provide your credit card information and a cell phone number. Registration opens September 21. Once registered, you will receive directions on how to participate. Directions are also provided on the EBAC.org/gala website. You will be able to bid from your computer, tablet or phone. The auction site enables you to submit an initial bid and also determine incremental and maximum bids. While the auction is open, between October 2 – 10, you will receive text notifications with your bidding status. You can peruse items beforehand by logging in online. If you have any issues with online bidding, contact [Vicky O'Bresly](#) or [Julie West](#) directly who can help you manage the process.

Will there be a live auction?

The [online auction](#), which will be open for bidding from October 2 – 10, replaces the live auction this year. Please note that to participate in the Raise Your Paddle and virtual event, you will need to register for the online auction.

What kind of items are available in this year's pre-event online auction? We are delighted to offer a selection of curated auction items including everything from remote international vacations to fun regional staycations, in-person and virtual classes and parties, fine wine, luxury goods, art pieces, home improvement packages, spa packages, golf outings and other sports tickets, jewelry, a personalized Draymond Green jersey and basketball signed by the entire Warriors team.

How will I get anything that I “win”?

Distribution of items will be coordinated with winners following the event. A combination of pick up, email and delivery options for physical items will be offered and vary by zone. Certificates will be mailed and PDF copies sent digitally to each winning bidder. Please note: items being delivered or shipped outside the standard delivery zone may be subject to shipping costs.