



Best of San Mateo Area 2024

Official Winners List

Animal Services

Best Animal Shelter or Rescue

Groups

Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA

Adoption Center

Best Dog Grooming

Bow Wow Meow

Best Pet Stores

Furchandise

Best Places to Board Pets

The Cats' Inn

Best Veterinary Clinics

Crystal Springs Pet Hospital

Arts, Culture & Entertainment

Best Art Classes

Clay Life Arts Studio

Best Art Galleries

ART BIAS

Best Dance Lessons & Studio

City of San Mateo Parks and Recreation

Best Live Theaters

Hillbarn Theatre

Best Museums

CuriOdyssey

Best Music Lessons

School of Rock

Automotive

Best Auto Body Repair Shops

Costelli & Pardini's Auto Body & Paint Works

Best Auto Repair Shops

Bob Reed's Services Station

Best Car Dealers

Autobahn Motors Belmont

Celebrating Diversity

Best Minority-Owned Business

Claire's Crunch Cake

Best Woman-Owned Business

Cuban Kitchen

Children and Youth

Best Independent Schools

Junipero Serra High School

Best Preschools

Serendipity Preschool

Best Public Elementary School Spirit

Baywood Elementary School

Best Public High School Spirit

Aragon High School

Best Public Middle School Spirit

Borel Middle School

Best Public Playgrounds

Beresford Park & Recreation Center

Best Summer Camps

Legarza Kids

Food & Drink

Best Bagel Shops

House of Bagels

Best Bakeries

Sibby's Cupcakery

Best Bars

FogBird

Best Boba Shops

Teaspoon San Mateo

Best Breakfast/Brunch Spots

Apple Fritter

Best Burger Places

Jeffrey's Hamburgers

Best Butcher Shops

Draeger's Market

Best Caterers

Par 3 at Poplar Creek

Best Chinese Restaurants

Hot Wok Bistro

Best Cocktails

Fogbird

Best Coffeehouses

3 Bees Coffee

Best Doughnuts

Cruel Donuts

Best Ice Cream Shops

Salt & Straw

Best Italian Restaurants

Vivace Restaurant

Best Japanese Restaurants

Tokie's Downtown

Best Liquor Stores

Total Wine & More

Best Mediterranean Restaurants

Kabul Afghan Cuisine

Best Mexican/Latin Restaurants

Celia's

Best Outdoor Dining Spots

Johnston's Saltbox

Best Pizza

Amici's East Coast Pizzeria

Best Places to Drink Beer

Fieldwork Brewing Company - San Mateo

Best Restaurant for Ambiance

The Iron Gate

Best Restaurant for Date Night

The Iron Gate

Best Restaurant for Dessert

Antoine's Cookie Shop

Best Restaurant for Seafood

New England Lobster Market & Eatery

Best Restaurants

Porterhouse

Best Thai/Burmese & Other Asian Restaurants

Coconut Bay Thai Restaurant

Best

Vietnamese/Cambodian/Laotian Restaurants

Gao Viet Kitchen (tie)

Pho Element (tie)

Best Wine Bar / Winery Store

B Street & Vine

Most Pet-Friendly Restaurant

Lazy Dog Restaurant & Bar

Health and Wellness

Best Acupuncture Practices

Sage Wellness Center

Best Alternative Medicine Practices

Sage Wellness Center

Best Barbershops

Boondocks Barber Shop

Best Chiropractic Services

Cassandra Mason DC

Best Dentists

Fiori Dental

Best Eyecare and Eyeglass Stores

Costco Wholesale

Best Hair Salons/Stylists

Candace Dombkowski

Best Orthodontist

Dr. Tom Ellerhorst

Best Places for Physical Therapy

Active In-Home Therapy

Best Places to Get a Facial

Mabel's Skin Care

Best Places to Get a Manicure or Pedicure

Bella Nails

Best Places to Get a Massage

Well Rounded Wellness

Best Spas

Rituals Aesthetic Skin Care

Best Waxing Salons

Bailey's Beauty San Mateo

Home and Garden

Best Carpet and Flooring Service Provider

California Carpet

Best Dry Cleaners

Cleaning By Eddie (4-way tie)

J & C One Hour Cleaners (4-way tie)

Royal Cleaners (4-way tie)

The Cobbler (4-way tie)

Best Landscape Services Design and Contractors

Lopez Property Services

Best Painting Company

Purr-Fect Painting Inc

Best Plumbing Services

Express Plumbing & Sewer Services

Best Roofing Contractors

Above All Roofing Services

Lifestyle & Leisure

Best Continuing Education Options

Notre Dame de Namur University

Best Event Spaces

Oak Room, SM Public Library Main Branch

Best Fitness Classes

KG Fitness Studio

Best Gyms/Health Clubs

OPEX KURA

Best Hotels & Motels

Crowne Plaza Foster City-San Mateo

Best Martial Arts School

Core Taekwondo

Best Nonprofit Groups

Peninsula Family Service

Best Personal Trainers

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Best Place to Have a Picnic

San Mateo Central Park

Best Place to Walk Your Dog

Bay Trail

Best San Mateo City Parks

San Mateo Central Park

Best Swimming Lessons

King's Swim Academy

Best Tennis Courts

City of San Mateo Central Park Tennis Courts

Best Yoga Studios & Teachers

Nandi Yoga

Professional Services

Best Accounting and Tax Services

Sunshine Pro Accounting and Tax

Best Attorneys

Galine, Frye, Fitting & Frangos, LLP

Best Banks, S&Ls, or Credit Unions

Monterra Credit Union (formerly San Mateo Credit Union)

Best Digital Marketing

Bullseye Marketing

Best Financial Planners

Maven Lane Financial

Best Insurance Agents

Parker Insurance Agency - Farmers Insurance

Best IT Services

CMIT Solutions of San Mateo

Best Life Insurance Agent

Maryam Ghafouri - New York Life

Best Mortgage Brokers

Polaris Capital Partners

Best Photographers

Golden Shutter Portraits

Best Real Estate Agents

Meraki Real Estate - Rica Ruiz

Best Real Estate Team / Company

McNally and Associates, Inc

Best Self-Storage Companies

All American Self Storage

Commercial Developers

Bohannan Development Company

Commercial Real Estate Brokers, & Property Managers

Borel Estate Company (tie)

Marcus & Millichap (tie)

Retail Stores

Best Arts and Crafts Stores

California Art Supply Company

Best Bookstores

B Street Books (tie)

San Mateo Public Library (tie)

Best Chocolate Shops

See's Candies

Best Clothing and Shoe Stores

Nordstrom

Best Flower Shops

Ah Sam Floral Co

Best Gift Shops

Byrd's Filling Station

Best Grocery Stores and Food Markets

Byrd's Filling Station

Best Jewelry Stores

Christensen and Rafferty

Best Printing

FedEx Office Print & Ship Center

Best Specialized Stores

Byrd's Filling Station

Best Thrift Shops

Pick of the Litter Thrift Shop

Senior Living

Best Age-Friendly /Senior Home Care Businesses

FirstLight Home Care of The Peninsula

Best Senior Living Communities

Atherton Gardens Senior Living

Mayor's Awards

Business with Friendliest Staff

FirstLight Home Care of The Peninsula

Peninsula

Business with Most Sparkling Windows

Security Public Storage

Business with Most Inviting Storefront

Byrd's Filling Station