

**Media Alert – Litquake**

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**Litquake Announces 2012 Barbary Coast Award at Jardinière Fundraiser**

Special \$59.00 Monday Night Prix Fixe menu designed by Traci Des Jardins is inspired by the literature of MFK Fisher and includes three courses + wine pairing, with \$10.00 for each meal served going to support Litquake; the recipient for the 2012 Barbary Coast Award—*Poetry Flash*, the vibrant and influential Bay Area-based literary journal that has been publishing throughout the west since 1972—will be officially announced during a private reception in the restaurant, with the dinner itself open to the public

Monday, March 19 starting at 5pm until close; reservations available [here](#)

**March 12, San Francisco** - Jardinière owner Traci Des Jardins will host an exclusive literary-themed edition of the restaurant's famed Monday night prix-fixe dinner on March 19 to benefit Litquake, from 5 pm to closing. Cost for three courses with wine pairings is just \$59 (with \$10.00 going toward Litquake). Reservations can be made [online](#) or by calling the restaurant at 415-861-5555.

*"Sharing food with another human being is an intimate act that should not be indulged in lightly"*  
– MFK Fisher

***How To Cook A Wolf***

Boeuf Tartare

*Shaya, Verdejo, Rueda, Spain 2009*

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***An Alphabet for Gourmets***

Quail a la Financiere

*Bruno Clavelier, Bourgogne Passetoutgrain, Burgundy, France 2008*

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***An Alphabet for Gourmets***

Ambrosia

*Navarro, White Riesling "Cluster Select" Anderson Valley, California 2007*

*"I am more modest now, but I still think that one of the pleasantest of all emotions is to know that I, I with my brain and my hands, have nourished my beloved few, that I have concocted a stew or a story, a rarity or a plain dish, to sustain them truly against the hungers of the world."* – MFK

Fisher

**Note:** Vegetarian course options available

***Poetry Flash joins a select cast of recipients of the Barbary Coast Award:***

**2007** – Armistead Maupin

**2008** – Tobias Wolff

**2009** – Amy Tan

**2010** – Lawrence Ferlinghetti and City Lights Booksellers

**2011** – Ishmael Reed

**Jardinière** is located at 300 Grove Street at Franklin, in San Francisco. One of the most acclaimed and respected chefs in the country, Des Jardins has been honored with numerous awards, including James Beard Foundation Rising Star Chef of the Year, one of Food & Wine Magazine's Best New Chefs, San Francisco Magazine's Chef of the Year, and winner of the 2007 James Beard Foundation Award for Best Chef in the Pacific region. Jardinière has won Esquire Magazine's Best New Restaurant award, and the San Francisco Chronicle lists it as one of the Top 100 Restaurants in the Bay Area each year since opening.

**About Litquake**

Litquake, San Francisco's annual literary festival, was founded by Bay Area writers in order to put on a week-long literary spectacle for book lovers, complete with cutting-edge panels, unique cross-media events, and hundreds of readings. Since its founding in 1999, the festival has presented more than **3,650** author appearances for an audience of over **83,500** in its lively and inclusive celebration of San Francisco's thriving contemporary literary scene. Litquake seeks to foster interest in literature, perpetuate a sense of literary community, and provide a vibrant forum for Bay Area writing as a complement to the city's music, film, and cultural festivals. Dates: 10/5-13, 2012. [www.litquake.org](http://www.litquake.org)

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