

FOOD FEATURE



A shopper steps into K. Minamoto, a Japanese chain selling imported confections at Stanford Shopping Center.

Sweetly authentic

MINAMOTO KITCHOAN BRINGS JAPANESE CULTURE, FLAVORS TO PALO ALTO

Story by Sarah Klearman | Photos by Veronica Weber

It's well known that there are five principle tastes: sweet, sour, bitter, salty and savory, or what the Japanese call umami. While umami, found in foods like slow-cooked meats and soy sauce, is well-celebrated in Japanese cuisine, a specialty Japanese dessert shop at Stanford Shopping Center is highlighting one of the other four tastes: sweetness.

Minamoto Kitchoan, also known as K. Minamoto, opened in Palo Alto in late 2016. The shop sells wagashi, or traditional Japanese desserts that are customarily consumed with tea. The store is a part of a larger company that well

known in Japan, said Aco Foster, who has worked at the Palo Alto bakery since its opening. The company chose to open in Palo Alto because of the wide range of people who live in and visit the city, Foster said.

When Minamoto first opened in the United States in, the company wanted to preserve the Japanese style of wagashi and introduce the sweets to American customers who are more often used to a "westernized" version of Japanese desserts, Foster said.

Foster, who grew up in Hiroshima and came to the United States in 2008, said she frequented Minamoto Kitchoan



A strawberry mochi display reveals the dark red filling.

while living in Japan. The Palo Alto location is "very much the same" as the Japanese stores, she said.

Traditional Japanese desserts often vary in appearance and

taste from most Americans' perception, Foster said. Take mochi, whose filling is traditionally made from red bean paste rather than ice cream.

"Most people still think



Tea is the traditional accompaniment to wagashi confections.

mochi is ice cream, so we want them to try the traditional mochi and traditional Japanese sweets," Foster said. "It's a

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different kind of experience."

Japanese chocolate is also distinct from American chocolates like Godiva or Hershey's — less sweet, said Foster.

Foster sees the way Americans and Japanese interpret those five flavors — sweet, sour, bitter, salty and umami — differently, which contributes to differences in tastes and preferences between cultures. For customers who might be new to Japanese desserts, Foster recommends trying the wagashi one at a time in order

to get a sense of each kind.

Minamoto carries multiple different kinds of wagashi, including varieties of mochi, steam cakes, sponge cakes and usagi san, a sweet white bean cake flavored with yuzu, a citrus fruit. The shop also carries savory options like kaishoyaki scallops, roasted crackers flavored with scallop, shrimp and crab.

"Everything will seem very new, but they could start with the steam cakes or the bite-sized mochi, which are both best sellers," Foster said. "Right now everyone likes matcha (tea), which we also carry, so that

might be easier to start with."

Desserts are displayed in the glass cases that line the back and sides of the store, as well as on tiny, intricate island stands on the floor. The store's inventory changes seasonally, as does the way it is decorated. For May, when Boy's Day is celebrated in Japan, tiny traditional tsuru or hanging dolls were strung from the ceiling in neat lines. Kabuto helmets, the kind samurai would wear, lined the walls: in Japan, most boys receive them from their grandparents in celebration of the day, Foster said.

The desserts, in their various



Pink-wrapped **kaori bana**, a sweet strawberry jelly confection.



Oukashigure has a cherry blossom-flavored sweet bean paste filling in a steamed bun, topped with a salted cherry blossom.



Aco Foster stands amid the displays of imported Japanese confections at *K. Minamoto* at Stanford Shopping Center in Palo Alto.

forms and decorative packaging, add color to the minimalist, white-walled store.

The store imports everything from Japan in a bulk shipment every two months, Foster said, and the menu changes depending on availability and time of year. She acknowledged that Minamoto is expensive, with

prices ranging from \$3.60 for a single piece of mochi to \$27 for a box of baumkuchen, a layered crepe-like cake, to \$50 for 18 sakura senbei, two cream-filled cookies.

Foster said that Minamoto's customer base is diverse. Many have previously visited a Minamoto in Japan and seek out the

Palo Alto store after experiencing it abroad, she said, as the company has locations in Tokyo's major airports. In the United States, Minamoto has storefronts in San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York City, and a franchise location opened recently in Plano, Texas.

One of the store's goals is to "emphasize Japanese culture" and its difference from generalized "Asian" culture, Foster said. "Each Asian country has a different culture and history, and we just want to emphasize how different they are," she said.

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Shimizuhakuto wrappers evoke the flavor of the white peach and jelly confections.

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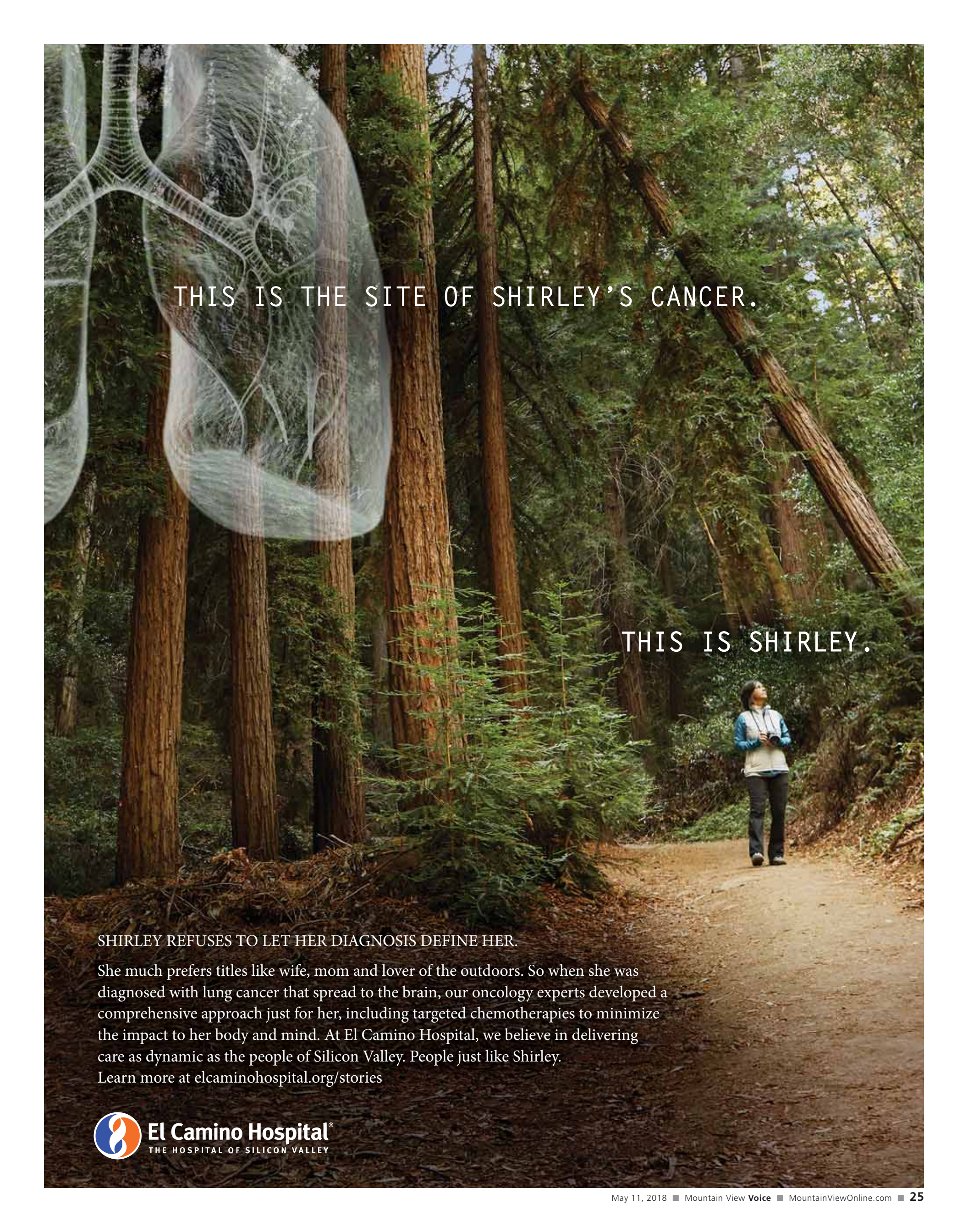
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2028 Old Middlefield Way, Mountain View, 650-988-9971, info@bayerballetacademy.com, bayerballetacademy.com Bayer Ballet Academy is a school of Russian ballet that teaches the Vaganova method beginning with children at age 3. The academy offers a variety of summer camps for children of all abilities ages 3-10. Sessions start June 11.

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■ MOVIE OPENINGS



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Melissa McCarthy is a middle-aged mother who goes back to college in "Life of the Party."

'Party' down

MELISSA MCCARTHY GOES BACK TO SCHOOL, SKIPS CLASS

★ (Century 16 & 20)

Comedian Melissa McCarthy and her director/co-writer husband, Ben Falcone, have produced another vehicle for her exceptional talents as a character-based comedic star. McCarthy and Falcone's previous efforts together — "Tammy" and "The Boss" — underwhelmed, which may explain why "Life of the Party" finds them aiming straight for the lowest common denominator and, sadly, hitting the bull's eye.

It's easy to see the mass appeal in "Life of the Party," a variation on umpteen "back-to-school" comedies like Will Ferrell's "Old School" or, well, the 1986 Rodney Dangerfield movie "Back to School." In "Life of the Party," McCarthy plays Deanna Miles, who decides to re-enroll at "Decatur University" alongside her daughter Maddie (Molly Gordon). Deanna's been unceremoniously dumped by her cheatin' husband Dan (Matt Walsh), who has "upgraded" for a real-estate agent named Marcie (Julie Bowen). This life-changing disaster sets the stage for awkward bonding between mother and daughter, whose unplanned arrival two decades earlier prompted Deanna to drop out six units shy of her degree.

Deanna pursues her archaeology major while palling around with Maddie and her quirky sorority sisters at Theta Mu Gamma. Predictably, Maddie at first feels mortified to have her mother constantly underfoot, but soon enough, the younger Miles learns to stop worrying and just love the mom. One of the few strengths of the film resides in its female-dominated ensemble, from the sorority gals (primary among them Gillian Jacobs, her character's extra years explained by an eight-year coma) to Deanna's bff (Maya Rudolph). When not focused on tame raucousness and unnecessary nastiness, "Life of the Party" keeps its heart in the right place of sisterly love.

And yet McCarthy's latest big-screen romp proves consistently dispiriting in its blatant laziness. The characters tend to caricature (none more so than Deanna's emo-Goth-Satanist roommate), and outside of one good twist at the end of the second act, the plot proves embarrassingly trite: from Deanna's liberated hook-ups with sweet and strapping Jack (Luke Benward), chased by a walk of shame; to a financial strain that requires a fundraising sorority rager.

Since "Life of the Party" shows

no ambition outside of crass commercialism, comedy connoisseurs should steer well clear of it. Failing that, they'll have to grasp onto the lifelines of Rudolph and McCarthy, whose comedic instincts can't be fully suppressed even by this limp storyline. As she wriggles out of Midwestern mom sweaters and into "life of the party" fun, McCarthy turns every third line into a rambling comic construction. "You just keep blabbing," Maddie laments. "Please stop, Mom."

But the rambling is the best part. Audiences that just want a fast-food, big-screen sitcom may well laugh on Pavlovian cue; Falcone certainly isn't shy about ringing the same old bell.

The best screen comedies either reveal a zany idiosyncrasy or take their laughs seriously as reflections of society and human existence. Since "Life of the Party" shows little interest in investigating the satiric possibilities of the two-decade cultural gap in play, or a weirdly one-sided May-December romance, the movie wafts into disposable irrelevance long before the credits roll.

Rated PG-13 for sexual material, drug content and partying. One hour, 45 minutes.

— Peter Canavese



■ MOVIE REVIEWS

THE RIDER ★★★1/2

Chloé Zhao's "The Rider" takes place on South Dakota's Pine Ridge Reservation, where Zhao met Lakota saddle bronc rider and horse trainer Brady Jandreau. Intrigued by his story, Zhao crafted a film around it, with Jandreau essentially playing himself, albeit by the name of

Brady Blackburn. Like Jandreau, Blackburn has suffered a fall from a bucking bronc and a cranial stomping that left him with a plate in the head. When the film opens, Blackburn is still nursing his wound and pushing his luck. His doctor insists another head injury could well kill the cowboy, but his work with horses is all he knows. Zhao casts Jandreau's real father, Tim, as Blackburn's father, Wayne, and Jandreau's real sister Lilly as Blackburn's sister Lilly. The Blackburns live hand to mouth, so there's a financial pressure for Brady to

continue in his work. Compelling scenes of Jandreau breaking horses essentially qualify as documentary footage, but informed with our intimate knowledge of the trainer's thoughts, love of what he does, and fears of losing everything. "The Rider" acknowledges the tender side of masculinity, of brotherly love and supportive friendship, but also recognizes the damage men can inflict on themselves and others just by trying to men. Rated R for language and drug use. One hour, 44 minutes. — P.C.

Goings On

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HIGHLIGHT

PEAR SLICES 2018

The 15th annual Pear Slices is a collection of original, short plays — written by members of the Pear Playwrights Guild — that are brought to life by a single cast. Through May 20, Thursdays through Sundays, times vary. \$10-\$35, with discounts for seniors/students. The Pear Theatre, 1110 La Avenida, Mountain View. thepear.org

THEATER

'The Hunchback of Notre Dame'

Presented by Upstage Theater, in this story, Quasimodo, the deformed bell-ringer, must save all the gypsies while Dom Claude Frollo takes off on a mission to destroy them. Tickets are needed for audience members of all ages. May 11, 7:30 p.m.; May 12, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; May 13, 7:30 p.m. \$17-\$22. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat'

The award winning musical tells the timeless story of Joseph, who is blessed with vivid dreams that foretell the future. May 9-13; times vary. \$12-\$14. Palo Alto Children's Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. cityofpaloalto.org

Opera Preview: 'Carmen'

This free preview with piano of Beethoven's "Carmen" is a chance to hear about the opera and meet the artists at the reception afterwards. There are no tickets or reservations, and viewing is on a first-come-first-served basis. May 17, 8-9:30 p.m. Free. Lucie Stern Center, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. wbopera.org

CONCERTS

'Healing Heart' Tony Redhouse, sound healer and spiritual teacher of the Navajo Nation, will perform a live Native American multimedia concert. May 18, 7:30-9 p.m. \$30. East West Bookshop, 324 Castro St., Mountain View. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

Fortnightly Chamber Music Concert

The concert will feature "Carnival of the Animals" by Saint Saens, "Carmen Fantasy" by Sarasate and "Arias" by Richard Strauss, Donizetti and Leoncavallo. Light refreshments will be provided. May 13, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto.

#MeToo: Contemplating the Music in Story and Song

The program will feature a reflection on the #MeToo movement through poetry, storytelling, and song, curated by award-winning filmmaker Claire Dietrich Ranna and featuring the chamber chorus Convivium. May 13, 4-5:30 p.m. Free. Christ Episcopal Church, Los Altos, 1040 Border Road, Los Altos. conviviumchoir.org/events

Palo Alto Philharmonic Family Concert 'Humor in Music'

Palo Alto Philharmonic Family Concert will present "Humor in Music." Selections from works by Haydn, Mozart, Prokofiev, R. Strauss, Schickele and Palo Alto Philharmonic's own Lee Actor will demonstrate how composers express humor in music. May 20, 3-5 p.m. \$5-\$10. Cubberly Theatre, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. paphil.org/performances

Schola Cantorum Celebrates American Folk Music

In honor of the different folkloric influences on the music of the nation, Schola Cantorum Silicon Valley will present, "Celebrating American Folk Songs." Selections include a commissioned suite for chorus and brass by Brian Holmes, accompanied by the Oxford Street Brass. May 19, 7:30 p.m. \$28. First Congregational Church of Palo Alto, 1985 Louis Road, Palo Alto. scholacantorum.org

SF Mandolin Orchestra - American Counterpoint (Palo Alto)

The SF Mandolin Orchestra is exploring a variety of American music and contrasting it to J.S. Bach's "Art of Fugue." May 13, 4-6 p.m. Free. All Saints Episcopal Church, 555 Waverly, Palo Alto. Search brownpapertickets.com for more info.

Stanford Symphonic Chorus

The Stanford Symphonic Chorus, under the baton of Stephen M. Sano, will offer Franz

Joseph Haydn's Missa Sancti Bernardi von Offida ("Heiligmesse"), a piece dating from the composer's late maturity. Also on the program is Haydn's rarely-heard Violin Concerto No. 4 in G major (Hob. VIIa:4), featuring faculty soloist Joo-Mee Lee. May 18, 8 p.m. \$10-\$20. Memorial Church, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

MUSIC

Open Mic Open Mic takes place every Monday on the second floor of Red Rock Coffee in downtown Mountain View. It features free live music, comedy, poetry and a supportive atmosphere for experienced and new performers. Mondays, ongoing, 6:30 p.m., sign-ups; starts at 7 p.m. Free. Red Rock Coffee, 201 Castro St., Mountain View. redrockcoffee.org/calendar

Open Mic Music Wednesdays

Musicians and poets can share material appropriate for all ages. Performers must be 21 or older. May 16, 7-9 p.m. Free. Los Altos Tasting Room, 366 Main St., Los Altos. bookeo.com

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47th Annual Stanford Powwow and Art Market

A celebration of Native American cultures including dance and music with more than 100 artist, food and information booth vendors. May 11, 5 p.m. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

MVPD Presents: 'Women's Day'

The event, spearheaded by the women of the Mountain View Police Department, welcomes those of all ages to come together and celebrate the accomplishments of women. Women of MVPD will be sharing stories, and attendees can share their own. May 12, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Free. Mountain View Police Department, 1000 Villa St., Mountain View. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

TALKS & LECTURES

The Blue Trees Artist Talk & Reception

To celebrate The Blue Trees, members of the public are invited to attend an artist talk and panel discussion with artist Konstantin Dimopoulos, Canopy's Elise Willis and Palo Alto Urban Forester Walter Passmore. Panelists will discuss local and regional forestry issues and initiatives. May 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free. King Plaza: City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto.

Women that Inspire: Kirsten Johnson

Kirsten Johnson, life coach and TEDx Speaker, will share her story of getting sober, overcoming anxiety disorders and traveling around the world while running her coaching business from her laptop. May 15, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Rinconada Library, 1213 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

'The Media Context of Ukrainian Revolutions as a Key to Understanding the Post-Soviet World'

Serhiy Kvit, expert on educational issues and a professor at the Kyiv-Mohyla School of Journalism, will talk about the Ukrainian revolutions of the late 20th-early 21st centuries in the context of the interaction between the national and global levels of mass communications. May 11, noon. Free. RSVP requested. Stanford University, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

New Horizons Exploration of Pluto

Alan Stern, New Horizons mission scientist, will give a talk on what has been learned about Pluto. May 15, 7 p.m. Free. Smithwick Theater, Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Road., Los Altos Hills. foothill.edu/events

'A Hen's Tale: From a Battery Cage to Playing Cards'

The story of Marjo, a battery hen who learned to play cards, will be shared. Speaker Isabelle Cnudde will discuss how chickens make great pets and what is involved in keeping them in one's backyard. May 16, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Los Altos Library, 13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos.

FUNDRAISERS

Los Altos Rotary's Fine Art in the Park

The Rotary Club of Los Altos will present the 43rd Fine Art in the Park event. The Rotary's annual fundraiser will feature more than 165 fine artists and craftworkers. There will be live music, food and drinks. May 19, 10 a.m. Free. Lincoln Park, just across Foothill Expressway from downtown Los Altos, Menlo Park. business.menloparkchamber.com

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MUSEUMS & EXHIBITS

Speaker Series: Birds of Alaska

Dr. Norman Kikuchi has visited Alaska almost annually for the past 20 years and will present photos from his journeys. May 16, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Cubberly Community Center, 4000 Middlefield Road, Room H1, Palo Alto. scvas.org/speakerseries

The Dancing Soweï: Performing Beauty in Sierra Leone

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'Over Here: Americans at Home in World War I'

The Los Altos History Museum will host a special exhibition created by the National Archives during the centennial observation of U.S. involvement in World War I. May 18, noon-4 p.m. Free. Los Altos History Museum, 51 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. losaltoshistory.org/exhibits

Portola Art Gallery Presents Larry Calof's 'Sunrise, Sunset'

The Portola Art Gallery presents "Sunrise, Sunset," a collection of photographic images of sunrises and sunsets, primarily around the West and Southwest, by Larry Calof of Atherton. The exhibit features images printed on aluminum, as well as pieces printed on traditional archival paper. Through May 31, Mondays-Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park.

FILM

'California Typewriter'

"California Typewriter" is a documentary portrait of artists, writers and collectors who remain steadfastly loyal to the typewriter as a tool and muse, featuring Tom Hanks, John Mayer and others. The screening will be followed by a Q&A with Doug Nichol, the film's director and Jeremy Mayer, a sculptor who uses typewriter parts to create life-sized human figures. May 11, 6:30 p.m. Free. Computer History Museum, 1401 N Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. computerhistory.org/events

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Vinyasa Yoga

Samyama Yoga Center will present a Vinyasa Yoga class, hosted by John Berg. May 13, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$15-

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OUTDOOR RECREATION

Art Hiking Class

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This business is owned by: An Individual.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
ANGELICA RUIZ
3980 El Camino Real Unit #4
Palo Alto, CA 94306

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

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THE ICEMAN SERVICE COMPANY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN641550

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This business is owned by: An Individual.

The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is(are):
ROBERT CHARLES SCHWIESOW
483 Valley Oak Terrace
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Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 02/01/2015.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: FBN641554

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997 All Other Legals

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
WING HON HUI
Case No.: 18PR183074

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of WING HON HUI. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: NANCY C. LAM in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA. The Petition for Probate requests that: NANCY C. LAM be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take

many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 31, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: 12 of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, located at 191 N. First St., San Jose, CA, 95113.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths plus loft - 1,607 sq. ft.
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262 Martens Avenue, Mountain View



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\$2,295,000

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Gorgeous single-family home built in 2007 with 3 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms. 1,612 square feet of living space and an attached 2-car garage. Sought after location close to Google, Downtown Mountain View, the Stevens Creek Trail, and local commute arteries. Convenient to Mountain View Schools: Huff Elementary, Crittenden Middle, and Mountain View High School.

\$1,395,000

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