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Savory Thymes and Litquake Bring *Gatsby* West For One Afternoon Only



Special guests Amy Tan, Joyce Maynard, Don Novello (aka Father Guido Sarducci) and Tiffany Baker will converge for an afternoon fundraiser—*This Side of Paradise: A Great Gatsby Garden Party*—in sunny Marin, complete with jazz age cocktails, canapés and croquet; In addition to readings from the F. Scott Fitzgerald classic, a live soundtrack fit for an afternoon spent in West Egg, circa 1922 will be supplied from the Doug Martin trio; Period dress or white garden party garb encouraged

Saturday, June 2, 2012 from 4 to 7pm at Mill Valley's Hillside Gardens; Tickets are \$75.00

May 2, 2012 San Francisco – Savory Thymes and Litquake segue into Summer with the fundraiser *This Side of Paradise: A Great Gatsby Garden Party* featuring very special guests Amy Tan, Joyce Maynard, Don Novello and Tiffany Baker. Attendees will enjoy a West Coast version of an East Coast garden party from a different era that includes jazz age cocktails, canapés and croquet. This will be accompanied by a live soundtrack fit for an afternoon spent in West Egg, circa 1922 from the Doug Martin trio.

This Side of Paradise: A Great Gatsby Garden Party will take place in the Hillside Gardens, a beautiful and tiered garden in the hills above Mill Valley. Please note that given the nature of the gardens, high heels are not recommended.

Tickets are \$75.00 and available at www.litquake.org or <http://litquake.org/calendar-of-events/event/this-side-of-paradise-a-great-gatsby-garden-party>

Money raised at the event will go toward putting on the 2012 Litquake festival, which will run October 5-13, 2012

What: Savory Thymes and Litquake Present: *This Side of Paradise: A Great Gatsby Garden Party*

Who: Amy Tan, Joyce Maynard, Don Novello (aka Father Guido Sarducci) and Tiffany Baker, along with the Doug Martin trio

When: Saturday, June 2 from 4pm to 7pm

Where: Hillside Gardens in Mill Valley

Tickets: \$75.00 available www.litquake.org or [here](#)

Directions

Since parking is not allowed at Hillside Gardens, guests are asked to gather in the parking lot at the Mill Valley Middle School, located at 425 Sycamore Avenue, Mill Valley, CA 94941. Free shuttle service will begin at 3:45pm

About Hillside Gardens

Hillside Gardens is a beautiful tiered garden in the hills above Mill Valley. With breathtaking views and lush vegetation, the Garden is the perfect spot to celebrate Fitzgerald. Please note that Hillside Gardens is not wheelchair accessible. The event is out of doors and high heels *not* recommended. Children are welcome.

About Litquake

Litquake is an annual San Francisco literary spectacle. Since its founding in 1999, the festival has presented more than 3,650 author appearances for an audience of over 83,500. In addition, Litquake reaches more than 3,000 San Francisco public schoolchildren each year through author visits and book giveaways. Litquake seeks to foster interest in literature, perpetuate a sense of literary community, and provide a vibrant forum for writing from the Bay Area and beyond. Dates: October 5–13, 2012. litquake.org

About Savory Thymes

Savory Thymes convenes artists, grassroots organizations and activists in order to cross pollinate ideas, build relationships and alliances, and provide a space to galvanize support for a wide variety of social and environmental initiatives. Established in 2005 by Alison Ghiorse, Savory Thymes supports and educates the public about local and sustainable systems within the context of grassroots movements and the arts, through events that celebrate the beauty, the tastes, and the textures of the Earth.

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