

# A Taste of Giving

Thursday, November 20 • 8:00 a.m.  
Santa Barbara Museum of Art

Join the Business Giving Roundtable for its popular Entrepreneurs in Philanthropy event! Local business owners will share ideas on community giving and how they infuse philanthropy into their business models.

## Meichelle Arntz Recipes Organic Bakery

Meichelle has been a registered nurse with a certification in high risk pregnancy for 20 years. While volunteering for Court Appointed Special Advocates, she was inspired to help children in the foster care system. In 2006, Meichelle founded Angels Foster Care of Santa Barbara, which has since placed 169 local babies in safe, stable homes. In 2012, Meichelle renovated a 100-year old home in downtown Santa Barbara and opened her own bakery, complete with organic, fresh baked fare made from family recipes. Recipes Bakery is in 22 grocery stores and offers wholesale purchasing to area hotels and office catering.



## Tina Takaya Opal Restaurant & Bar

Tina has been in the restaurant business for 40 years. While understanding the importance of the “back of the house,” her passion for the business weighs far beyond profits. Throughout the years, Tina has contributed to many nonprofits including the Arthritis Foundation, Fund for Santa Barbara, CALM, Food Bank, Transition House, Santa Barbara Police and Fire Departments, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Pacific Pride Foundation, and the Santa Barbara Downtown Organization. With her partner, Richard Yates, she initiated fundraisers at Opal Restaurant & Bar for New Orleans’s Katrina and Japan’s tsunami crises.



## Kathryn Graham C’Est Cheese

A graduate of UCSB, Kathryn returned to Santa Barbara with her husband Michael in 2003 to open C’est Cheese, Santa Barbara’s premier specialty cheese shop. Out of college, Michael and Kathryn started careers in web development but soon realized that their true dream was to start and run their own business. Fortunately, she and Michael share a passion for food and decided that Santa Barbara would be the perfect location for a small family-run cheese shop. Celebrating its 11th year in business, C’est Cheese recently expanded its cheese shop and catering services as well as adding a full café – serving breakfast and lunch seven days per week.



## Richard Yates Opal Restaurant & Bar

A Santa Barbara resident since 1979, Richard is co-owner of Opal Restaurant & Bar with Tina Takaya. Richard has 40 years of professional restaurant experience at local favorites such as Chanticleer Restaurant, Santa Fe Bar and Grill, Restaurant Mimosa, The Palace Grill, and Café Orleans. In the community, Richard received the UCSB Service Mentor award and offers numerous public speaking engagements and business-related radio and TV appearances. For seven years, Richard and Tina have served as honorary co-chairs for the Arthritis Foundation’s Taste of the Town and as the sole food provider for Santa Barbara Film Festival Green Room and after-parties.



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