



## Kids San Francisco

### Nursery Wall Art for Hometown Kids

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Tomoko Maruyama's Colors of San Francisco Art Prints



After all these years, you still find the city's steep hills, quaint homes, and majestic bridges nothing short of miraculous. But to your little native, they're as routine as a book before bed.

Inspire awe by hanging one of Tomoko Maruyama's fanciful Colors of San Francisco prints on a nursery wall. Maruyama channels a love for her adopted hometown in drawings of familiar landmarks (the Golden Gate Bridge) and neighborhoods (Alamo Square).

Her whimsical style, soft palette, and playful sense of humor lend these pieces real staying power. We've been obsessing over "Good Luck on the Hill" (a platoon of head-down bicyclists angle their way up a steep city street), "Wave" (a giant wave arcs at one of the Golden Gate

Bridge's towers), and "Bay Bridge" (fireworks in the fog near the Bay Bridge) since we discovered them.

Maruyama creates her drawings digitally and adds depth by printing them on textured watercolor paper. She also signs and mats each one, so all you have to do is frame, hang, and enjoy—until long after the last bedtime story.

*Available at Cherish, 115 Clement Street (415-379-7300 or [shopcherish.com](http://shopcherish.com)), Gigi + Rose, 900 North Point Street, suite h103 (415-765-9060 or [gigiandrose.com](http://gigiandrose.com)); online at [etsy.com](http://etsy.com), \$35.*

## This Week in **san francisco**

### WATCH

#### **[Free Shakespeare in the Park: Two Gentlemen of Verona](#)**

**What:** Take a blanket and take in the bard's comedy of shifting *amore*, which gets a mod makeover with a dance-along soundtrack and colorful costumes.

**Why:** The play's the thing.

**When:** Sat.-Sept. 26. Sat., 7:30 p.m.; Sun., 2:30 p.m.

**Where:** Presidio's Main Post, b/t Graham St. & Keyes Ave., parade ground lawn (415-558-0888).

### JOIN

#### **[Children's Fairyland](#)**

**What:** A \$60 family membership deal (reg. \$87) in honor of the Oakland tot spot's 60th birthday, compliments of shoe mavens [Livie & Luca](#).

**Why:** Storybook sets, puppet shows, and the East Bay's largest children's theater.

**When:** Thru Sept. 15.

**Where:** Online at [fairyland.org](http://fairyland.org). Click "yes" for Gift Membership; under Giver's Name enter Livie & Luca; under Total enter \$60.

### GATHER

#### **NatureBridge Family Hike and Campfire**

**What:** An evening of beachy singing and s'mores in the moonlight.

**Why:** Fire up a love of the outdoors.

**When:** Sept. 11, 6-8:30 p.m.

**Where:** Headlands Institute, Rodeo Beach, 1033 Fort Cronkhite, nr. Bunker Rd., Sausalito. Register online at [naturebridge.org](http://naturebridge.org). Adults and children, \$10.