



AAUW San Jose – Member Activities

AAUW is California’s leading organization of women, offering action for equity, personal and professional growth, community leadership, and friendship.

Mission-Based Programs and Activities

- **Public Policy Program** Meets 1st Thursday at 7:00pm. Informs the membership about pending legislation relevant to AAUW equity focus and guides the branch in effective participation in education, economic security and civil rights. Priorities are *gender and pay equity*, *Title IX protection*, especially with regard to campus sexual violence and *affordable health care* including reproductive health care.
- **Informational Programs** of speakers and topical discussions. Have included in the past: Film and Discussion: Rape on the Night Shift; Road to Financial Fitness, California Propositions on the Ballots, Be informed to Disrupt Human Trafficking, Eating Locally, Removing Plastic from Your Life, Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation and Sisters in Crime (local crime fiction authors). In addition, informal Saturday morning gatherings for ‘Coffee and Conversation’ are scheduled on the last Saturday of most months.
- **Leadership Opportunities.** Our branch is managed by dedicated volunteer members who serve on the Board of Directors and on committees such as Program Development, Membership, and Public Policy. There is no financial commitment to serve.
- **AAUW FUND and LEGAL ADVOCACY** Local and national initiatives educate the branch and the community about fellowships, grants, and special programs, participate in community/campus outreach initiatives, support workplace sex discrimination cases, and much more. Social fundraising events and member donations support these programs.

Community Action Projects

Through *Community Action Projects* (CAPs) San Jose branch members have the opportunity to participate in ongoing projects that serve our local community and promote gender and educational equity.

Gifts for Teens

Assembles and distributes festive holiday gift totes and sports bags to San Jose teenagers in need.

Local Scholarship

Awards scholarships to women seeking a 4-year college degree to help women in their pursuit of higher education.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Meets First Monday at 7:00 pm. Collaborates with local agencies to provide hands-on help for action.

Tech Trek

A week-long math and science camp for 8th grade girls sponsored by AAUW California and held at 8 different colleges in the summer.

Interest Groups

An *Interest Group* is a group of members who gather together socially according to mutual interests. Meetings are held in person, over Zoom, or in a combination called ‘Hybrid.’ New interest groups can be formed. Meeting details are in the *Bonfire*.

Group	Meets	Group	Meets
Art Appreciation	2 nd Wed 11:00 am	Film Fans	2 nd Sun. Time Varies
Book Discussion AM	2 nd Tue 10:00 am	Game Night	On hiatus
Book Discussion PM	2 nd Wed 7:00 pm	Gourmet – Couples	2 nd Sat. Time Varies
Bridge	1 st Mon 10:00 am	Gourmet Intl	3 rd Mon. 6:30 pm
Bridge	2 nd Mon 10:00 am	Gourmet Light	2 nd Mon. 6:30 pm
Bridge	2 nd 1:00 pm	Great Decisions AM	2 nd & 4 th Thu 9:30am (Jan-May)
Bridge Duplicate Bridge	2 nd Fri 10:00 am	Great Decisions PM	4 th Tue 7:00 pm (Jan- Aug)
Bridge	4 th Tue 1:00 pm	Knitting Know How	1 st /3 rd Thurs 1:00 pm
German Conversation	1 st Tue 10:00 am	Lunch Bunch	4 th Tue 11:30 am
Spanish Conversation	2 nd Tue 10.00 am	Mystery Lovers	3 rd Thu 7:00 pm
French Conversation	3 rd Tue 10:00 am	Weekend Walkers	Sat/Sun 8:00 am
Exploring World Lit	3 rd Mon 9:30 am	Public Policy	1 st Thu 7:00 pm
Family History	3 rd Thu 10:00 am		

For More Information or To Join AAUW San Jose, Contact membership@aauwsan jose.org

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

AAUW San Jose

American Association of University Women (AAUW) opens the pathway to gender equity as the nation's leading voice promoting education, research and advocacy for women and girls. Its initiatives for education, economic security and leadership equips us all with practical tools and resources to be at the forefront of change. It has an active branch in San Jose and is a national, state, and local organization with over 170,000 members and supporters nationwide. Learn more at the next Open House or visit aauwsanjose.org.

Who can join AAUW San Jose Branch

All who have a 2-year degree or higher may join. Student membership is open to those pursuing a degree at modest cost. It is open to women and men committed to the mission. One does not have to be a resident of San Jose.

Dual Branch Option - what is this?

Be a member at San Jose branch and/or two branches. Join 2nd branch for only \$26.

AAUW San Jose Branch - Partner Colleges/Universities

- San Jose State University
- Evergreen City Community College
- San Jose City College

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