

Hotels & Motels Suggested for The Heritage Rose Foundation Conference 2005

The El Cerrito Community Center address is: 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito, CA 94530. (Moeser Lane and Ashbury Avenues.)

The following is a list of motels and hotels with reasonable proximity to our conference site at the El Cerrito Community Center. This list reflects the range of prices to be had in this area for which we have group discount rates. Each hotel has its own deadline for reservations and maximum number of rooms available at the discount rate; check out the details for each. Prices quoted do not include hotel tax which runs from 6% to 12%. **BOOK EARLY!** This is U C Berkeley's graduation week and all rooms in the immediate area will be booked early. All of these hotels/motels have free parking.

Please note that the San Francisco Bay Area is a heavily visited tourist location and prices of accommodations, meals, and auto-rentals are at a premium. Take advantage of the discount rates we have tried to obtain for conferees to make the most of your visit. We will have additional suggestions sent to you soon which will give information on more hotels, B&B's, a map of the area with public transit information, restaurant suggestions, and some tourist information of interest to gardeners.

Group 1: Basic Motels - cheapest prices, closest to the conference site. (5 to 10 minutes by car.):

Super 8 Motel - (Note: The rates quoted here are very different for this motel than what was posted originally on the HRF web site.) 6009 Potrero Avenue, El Cerrito, (510)232-0900. (Do not book with the 800 number for Super 8 if you wish to get the special rate.) Until March 12, 25 non-smoking rooms have been allocated for our group at the following rates:

Single Queen - \$75. plus tax for the nights of May 11 and 15, and \$89. plus tax for the nights of May 12, 13 and 14. (After March 12, the \$75. rate will change to \$79.)

Single King - \$75. plus tax for the nights of May 11 and 15, and \$99. plus tax for the nights of May 12, 13 and 14. (After March 12, the \$75. rate will change to \$89.)

Double Queen - \$80. plus tax for the nights of May 11 and 15, and \$109. plus tax for the nights of May 12, 13 and 14. (After March 12, the \$80. rate will change to \$99.)

Golden Bear Inn - 1620 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley, (800)525-6770 or (510)525-6770. (Although this is a Berkeley motel, it is not located in the town center or near the University. Instead, it is located on a major corridor parallel to and a few blocks from the I-80 freeway leading to El Cerrito. Public bus transportation is also convenient to get to El Cerrito.) This motel offers us 10 rooms at the special rate, with a cut off date for special rates at March 15.

Prices: Discount rates are \$89. (single queen), \$99. (queen and twin), and \$109. (two queens.) The regular rate is \$10. more for each category.

Group 2 - Medium-priced Hotels - more comfortable accommodations - 5 to 20 minutes drive from the conference by car, depending on freeway congestion. The two Emeryville locations have easy access to rapid transit BART).

Holiday Inn Express - 2525 San Pablo Dam Rd., San Pablo, 94806, (510)965-1900. No convenient public transportation. 5 to 10 minute drive to the Community Center.

Prices: \$99. - \$109. (Group rates: \$79. - \$89.) Prices may be increased at the beginning of the new year. The cut off date for reserving at the group rate is May 1 for a maximum of 15 rooms at the special rate.

Holiday Inn - 1800 Powell St., Emeryville, 94608. (510)658-9300.) This hotel has been added since the initial posting of hotels on the HRF web site.

Prices: - \$119. per night for all non-smoking rooms booked by April 11. 10 rooms are available at this group rate, but additional rooms at this rate may be added, depending on availability.

Four Points Sheraton - 1603 Powell Street, Emeryville, 94608. (510)547-7888.

Prices: \$159. and up. (Group rate : \$134) The maximum rooms are 20 which must be reserved by April 5. If the discounted rooms are filled by the cut off date, the hotel may increase the number of discounted rooms. (This hotel will likely be our main pickup point for bus tours.)

Group 3 - Upper-Medium Priced Hotel - about 10 to 20 minutes by car to the conference site.

Berkeley Marina Doubletree Hotel - 200 Marina Blvd., Berkeley, 94710. (510)548-7920. Reservations can be made online at www.doubletree.com. This is one of the nicest locations and accommodations in the area, sitting at the edge of San Francisco Bay with a view of the Golden Gate Bridge and the hotel boat harbor. Their shuttle bus can transport guests to the Berkeley BART.

Prices: \$170. - \$190. (No group rate offered)