



The WESTERNERS

Los Angeles Corral Roundup

Wednesday, November 12, 2025
Almanson Court—700 S. Almanson, Alhambra, CA
Social Hour: 5:00 P.M. Dinner: 6:00 P.M.



With Haight Street blocked off, the Grateful Dead play for more than 10,000 San Francisco Hippies. Brian D. Dillon was one face in the crowd that day. Photo by Jim Marshall, March 3 1968.

"Lost in the Sixties: Coming of Age in Hippie San Francisco"

Brian Dervin Dillon, Ph.D.

San Francisco, California, was the epicenter of the Hippie explosion of music and art between 1965 and 1970. Present-day historians who *weren't there* often incorrectly explain Hippies in political terms: those of us who *were there* explain *ourselves* culturally instead. As the rest of the country sank inexorably into the morass of Vietnam, in San Francisco we pushed the limits of personal expression and escapism. Nowhere else on the planet was more live music played by a greater number of musicians in more places than in the City by the Bay during the second half of the 'sixties decade. What we developed during those five years attracted first national, then international attention. If you were in a rock n roll, or blues, or soul band and you were *not* playing in San Francisco, then you were *nowhere*.

Brian Dervin Dillon, a 5th-generation Marin County boy, was one of the youngest home-grown Hippies of the San Francisco Bay Area. He saw the whole cultural experiment coming long before anybody was ever called a Hippie. Brian was an active participant before, during, and after the Hippie high tide, San Francisco's so-called 1967 "Summer of Love." Dillon's lavishly illustrated lecture, the 15th he has presented to the Los Angeles Corral, explores Hippie antecedents and traces the birth, florescence, and eventual death of Hippie culture, focusing upon the music and poster art that were its most remarkable and enduring hallmarks. Brian was the 2017 Sheriff of the Los Angeles Corral, and is the newest Living Legend (2025) of Westerners International.

Menu Choices for 11/12/25 are: Sliced Top Sirloin, or Chicken Dijonnaise, or Pasta Primavera with garlic cream sauce. Please indicate your preference when you reserve your spot for the next RoundUp.

FREE WINE will again be offered to all attendees.

When you receive your order blank in the mail, please indicate your dinner choice and put your check for **\$45.00** made out to **Westerners, Los Angeles Corral**, and mail it to **Michele Clark, 226 1/2 Beacon Ave., South Pasadena CA 91030-1702**. Walk-ins are welcome but entree choices will be limited to the meal type available. The "late" price is \$50.00.

Or you can pay via Paypal at www.lawesterners.org. Go to the **Members Only** tab, then click on **Roundup Store**. The general password is **oldjoe**. Be sure to include your meal choice on the PayPal form. Please contact Michele Clark (email at mclark216@earthlink.net) or by telephone (626) 822-1522 and let her know you wish to attend and how you paid.

L.A. Coral Presentations for 2025-26

December 10, 2025 Abraham Hoffman, *Another Look at the Llano del Rio Colony*

January 14, 2026 Matthew Smathers, *Legends of the West*

Car-Pooling: Many of older members no longer drive or find night-driving problematic. Please reach out to those nearby and offer them a ride to our monthly RoundUps.

First-Time Visitors: Please don't hesitate to invite non-member friends to RoundUps they might find interesting... first-time visitors qualify for a special, reduced rate for their sponsors.