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FLOWER POWER

The Garden Club of Palo Alto will hold their Holiday Marketplace this month.

In today's digital age of commerce, this holiday season brings a new way to find unique gifts that can't simply be "added to the cart" with a click. Bespoke treasures, handmade finds, and horticultural beauties can all be found at the **Garden Club of Palo Alto's Holiday Marketplace Event on December 3**. The annual event will take place at the First Presbyterian Church at 1140 Cowper Street in Palo Alto.

The event features everything from knitted goods, birdhouses, and homemade greeting cards to potted plants and silver and crystal goods, all created by the Club's members. Proceeds go to the community for public landscaping projects, works of conservation organizations, and local schools.

Since its founding in 1921, the Garden Club of Palo Alto and its members have carried out its credo of the "betterment of the surrounding community." The Club's purpose is to encourage an interest in gardening, horticulture, artistic use of flowers and plants, and conservation of natural resources, as well as horticultural



education for students and the improvement of schools. Funding grants to recent recipients of the Club's Charitable Trust include Living Classroom, Canopy, Friends of the Palo Alto Parks, Gamble Garden, Museum of American Heritage, and Palo Alto High School.

So enjoy a bit of unplugged time and surround yourself with the natural beauty of the season. A bit of flower power, if you will. www.gardenclubofpaloalto.org



Stay + See

Silicon Valley's Garden Court Hotel teams up with the cutting-edge Pace Gallery for a visual feast.

When it comes to company off-sites, it's hard to beat the **Garden Court Hotel's** terrific location in the heart of downtown Palo Alto. The boutique hotel offers luxury accommodations, an intimate feel, and contemporary design. Groups of all sizes enjoy more than 7,500 square feet of meeting and event spaces. And corporate groups can maximize their meetings with flexible programming and personalized amenities. **Through December 18** groups booking meetings

and events will also receive tickets to the internationally renowned **Pace Gallery's** Menlo Park outpost that has wowed the tech crowd with its cutting-edge programming. Whether you visit Pace Gallery as a team-building activity or an opportunity to get out of the boardroom and get creative, the exhibits will definitely re-energize your group. *For more information, visit www.gardencourt.com or www.pacegallery.com.*

