

MATT LIPPS: Excursions North- Ten of the North Bay's Must-See Art Events

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Across the bridge to Marin, Napa and Sonoma Counties, lies a quieter atmosphere with a more rural arts culture, albeit one rich in creativity and unafraid to occasionally push the envelope. With the goal of providing a diverse range of the most compelling events in wine country, we've pared down the next three months to the absolute must-dos and must-sees north of the Golden Gate. Here are ten reasons to build some extra time into your North Bay weekend excursion this fall.

The gorgeous di Rosa preserve in Napa presents seven contemporary artists who reflect on how technological developments are shaping our lives. The exhibit's work ranges from that of award-winning Bay Area artist Simon Pyle, who holds up a literal magnifying glass to the modern world's ubiquitous digital screen; to pieces by Aaron Finnis, who became known for adhering acrylic prints onto furniture surfaces from IKEA. The exhibition's artists – including Charles Gute, **Matt Lipps**, Sanaz Mazinani, Stephanie Syjuco, and Margo Wolowiec – don't necessarily work in the digital realm, but like everybody living in the year 2014, they're certainly surrounded by it.