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# Lamorinda Moms Pick Best of Lamorinda 2011

Submitted by Leslie Ellwood, Best of Lamorinda Survey Chair 2011



Lamorinda Moms is a social and support club for parents with children under five in the greater Lamorinda area. The organization strives to help members enrich their lives through cultivating new friendships, personal and professional growth, and community involvement.

Approximately every two years, Lamorinda Moms conducts a survey to choose member favorites in a variety of categories including health, beauty and dining. In addition to creating a resource list for our members, we also publicly recognize the outstanding local vendors. We are pleased to announce the winners of the 2011 survey here.

Each current Lamorinda Moms member was eligible to vote once. All who participated were entered to win one of two gift certificates, a body polish treatment courtesy of Entourage Spa in Orinda and a \$50 gift certificate for the new hot restaurant in Orinda, Table 24. Winners were those that received the most votes. We had one instance where a tie was declared in the Best Middle Eastern Food restaurant.

Winners will receive a certificate and letter informing them of their win. The purpose of this survey is to both recognize great resources within the Lamorinda area and provide a valuable information bank for Lamorinda Moms members as well as our community. Thank you to all who participated in the survey and congratulations to the winners!

Since 1995 the Lamorinda Moms has evolved to become one of the largest parenting organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area, with over 700 members. The club hosts dozens of activities and events each month, and provides valuable resources to parents in the Lamorinda area. To learn more about Lamorinda Moms, including how to join, please visit us at [www.lamorindamoms.org](http://www.lamorindamoms.org).

## 2011 Winners List

### Children

Babysitting resource	Friends	
Nanny resource	Lamorinda Moms Forum	
Birthday Entertainer	Music Together	Lafayette
Birthday Party Location	Pump It Up	Concord
Children's Birthday Cake	Safeway	Lafayette
Children's Clothing	Baby Gap / Gap Kids	Walnut Creek
Toy Store	Sweet Dreams	Orinda
Dance Class / Lessons	Kids 'N Dance	Lafayette
Gymnastics Class	Kindergym	Lafayette
Music Class	Music Together	Lafayette
Swim lessons	Campolindo High - Soda Aquatic Center	Moraga
Summer Camp	Orinda Parks & Rec	Orinda
Kid's Haircut	Ms. Karen's Place	Lafayette
Playground	Moraga Commons	Moraga
Walk / Hike with Kids	Lafayette Reservoir	Lafayette
Rainy Day Activity	Lindsay Wildlife Museum	Walnut Creek
Storytime	Miss Donna - Lafayette Library	Lafayette
Pre School	Growing Tree Pre-School	Moraga

### Food / Drink / Fun

Brunch	Chow	Lafayette
Carryout / Delivery	Chow	Lafayette
Family Friendly Dining	Chow	Lafayette
Chinese Food	Uncle Yu's Szechuan	Lafayette
Pizza	Zachary's	Oakland
Indian Food	Swad	Lafayette
Mexican Food	El Charro	Lafayette
Italian Food	Postino	Lafayette
Japanese Food / Sushi	Blue Ginko	Lafayette
Middle Eastern Food	Babalou's Mediterranean and Turquoise Mediterranean Grill	Walnut Creek Orinda
Thai Food	Amarin Thai	Lafayette
Desserts	Yogurt Shack	Lafayette
Seafood	Yankee Pier	Lafayette
Steak	Ruth's Chris	Walnut Creek
Sandwich Shop	Genova Delicatessen	Walnut Creek
Coffee (Shop)	Peet's Coffee	Lafayette
Outdoor Dining	Metro	Lafayette
Romantic Dinner	Postino	Lafayette
Mom's Night Out	Metro	Lafayette
Movie Theater	Century 14	Walnut Creek
Live Music	Moraga Commons	Moraga
Live Theater	Leshar Performing Arts Center	Walnut Creek
Pumpkin Patch	Clayton Valley Pumpkin Patch	Clayton
Pictures with Santa	Broadway Plaza	Walnut Creek

### Professional Services

Dry Cleaners	Sterling Cleaners	Lafayette
Florist	Orchard Nursery & Florist	Lafayette
Grocery Store	Trader Joe's	Lafayette
Party Supplies	Boswell's	Lafayette
Pet Grooming / Sitting	Heather's Pet Care	East Bay
Veterinarian	Lafayette Animal Hospital	Lafayette
Caterer	Barbara Llewellyn Catering & Event Planning	Oakland
Photographer	Carrie Richards	Oakland
Plant Nursery	Orchard Nursery & Florist	Lafayette

### Health

Pediatric Dentist	Aloha Pediatric Dentistry	Orinda
Ob/Gyn	Anahat Sandhu, MD.	Lafayette
Ophthalmologist / Optometrist	Kristine Eng, OD.	Orinda
Dermatologist	Kelly Hood, MD.	Lafayette
Chiropractor	Orinda Family Chiropractic & Massage	Orinda
Pediatrician / Pediatric Office	LaMorinda Pediatrics	Lafayette

### Pregnancy / Maternity / Newborn

Prenatal Yoga Class	Day One Center	Walnut Creek
Birth / Parenting Class	John Muir Women's Health Center	Walnut Creek
Infant Specialty Shop	Day One Center	Walnut Creek
Lactation Consultant	Day One Center - Linda	Walnut Creek
Sleep Consultant	Babies2Sleep - Karen Pollak	Danville

### Pampering and Fitness

Day Spa	Claremont Hotel and Spa	Oakland
Full Service Salon	Entourage	Orinda
Manicure / Pedicure	Lavande	Lafayette
Gym	Oakwood Athletic Club	Lafayette
Fitness Class	Bar Method	Walnut Creek
Mom & Baby Fitness Class	Baby Bootcamp	Lafayette
Yoga / Pilates Studio	Yogaworks	Walnut Creek

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