



BEST
OF LA JOLLA
2016 LA JOLLA LIGHT READERS POLL



18th Annual Best of La Jolla | La Jolla's Original Readers Poll

Congratulations to all the Winners...and thanks to the Readers who voted them in!

The wait is over! The results are in! Here is how La Jolla Light readers voted in our 18th annual online favorites poll. Many of the “incumbents” are back, but there are a few new faces, too.

This guide showcases the businesses, restaurants and people whose excellent efforts make The Jewel one of the most wonderful places on the

planet in which to live, work and play.

Your support and patronage will help them keep up their great work!

Susan DeMaggio, Editor



BEST OF LA JOLLA 2016 WINNERS

ACCOUNTANT

#1 Thomas E. Huckabee,
CPA Inc.
#2 Russell E. Ingledew,
CPA Inc.
#3 Cowen Robert, CPA

ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

#1 Guarneri Integrative Health/
Pacific Pearl La Jolla
#2 Koi Wellness Center
#3 La Jolla Wellness Studio

AMERICAN FOOD

#1 The Spot
#2 Harry's Coffee Shop
#3 Cody's

ANTIQUES

#1 Ark Antiques
#2 Girard Avenue Collection
#3 The Faded Awning

ARCHITECT

#1 Trip Bennett AIA
#2 Du Charme Architecture
#3 IS Architecture

ART GALLERY

#1 Contemporary Fine Art
#2 Monarch Gallery
#3 Quint Gallery

ATTORNEY

#1 Joseph Sammartino
#2 Richard Wildman
#3 Jon Hangartner

AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR/ SERVICE

#1 Family Auto Repair
#2 German Motors and Imports
#3 Colonial Garage

BAKERY

#1 Brick & Bell
#2 Sugar and Scribe
#3 Michele Coulon Dessertier

BANK

#1 US Bank
#2 Wells Fargo
#3 Union Bank

BOUTIQUE FITNESS STUDIO

#1 Sparkcycle
#2 Orangetheory Fitness
#3 Barre 59

BREAKFAST

#1 Harry's Coffee Shop
#2 The Cottage
#3 Brockton Villa

BRUNCH

#1 Brockton Villa
#2 La Valencia Hotel
#3 Nine-Ten

BURGER

#1 Burger Lounge
#2 Public House
#3 Smashburger

CAFÉ

#1 Brick & Bell
#2 Mission Coffee Cup
#3 Museum Café

CATERING

#1 French Gourmet
#2 Giuseppe
#3 Girard Gourmet

CHINESE

#1 Mandarin House
#2 China Chef

CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC

#1 Active Rest Chiropractic
#2 Dr. Trevor Robertson
#3 Linea Chiropractic Center

COFFEE SHOP

#1 Brick & Bell
#2 Bird Rock Coffee Roasters
#3 Pannikin

CONTRACTOR/HOME REMODELING

#1 GDC Construction
#2 Murfey Construction
#3 Grunow Construction

CONVENIENCE STORE

#1 Dick's Liquor
#2 La Jolla Liquor & Deli
#3 Wine Time

COSMETIC SURGEON

#1 Dr. William Groff
#2 Dr. Mitchel Goldman
#3 Dr. Stephen M. Krant

DANCE STUDIO

#1 Ooh La La
#2 Dance to Evolve
#3 Tap Fever Studios

DAY SPA

#1 The Lodge at Torrey Pines
#2 Estancia La Jolla Hotel & Spa
#3 Massage Envy

DENTIST

#1 Dr. Joseph D'Angelo /
Dr. Ashley Olson,
La Jolla Dentistry
#2 Dr. Alicia Kennedy
#3 Dr. Paul Dougherty

DERMATOLOGIST

#1 Dr. William Groff
#2 Dr. Mitchel Goldman
#3 Dr. Susan Stuart

DESSERT

#1 Michele Coulon Dessertier
#2 Sugar and Scribe
#3 The French Gourmet

DRY CLEANER

#1 Margaret's
#2 Lele's
#3 Ogden's One Hour Cleaners

EYEWEAR/ SUNGLASSES

#1 Dr. Trainer
#2 Shade Shack
#3 Eye Structure

FAMILY RESTAURANT

#1 Beaumont's	
#2 Cody's	Tie 2nd
#2 Piatti	Tie 2nd
#2 The Cottage	Tie 2nd
#3 Bernini's Bistro	

FASHION ACCESSORIES

#1 Lola
#2 Rangoni Shoes
#3 Robina

FINANCIAL PLANNER

#1 David Price
#2 Brian Zimmerman
#3 Scott Ashline

FLORIST

#1 Adelaide's
#2 Bridget's Blooms
#3 Bloomers

FRENCH

#1 French Gourmet
#2 Tapenade/Bistro Du Marché
#3 Le Petit Bistrot

FURNITURE/ HOME FURNISHINGS

#1 Faded Awning
#2 My Own Space
#3 Nativa

GIFT SHOP

#1 Warwick's
#2 Hi Sweetheart
#3 Francesca's

HAIR SALON

#1 Cristina Q
#2 Belle Sirène Salon
#3 Alessandro

HAPPY HOUR LOCATION

#1 Beaumont's	Tie 1st
#1 Eddie V's	Tie 1st
#2 La Jolla Brewing Company	
#3 Whisknadle	

HEALTH CLUB

#1 La Jolla Sports Club
#1 Shepherd YMCA Firehouse
#2 24 Hour Fitness
#3 High Voltage

HEALTHY DINING

#1 Beaming
#2 Trilogy Sanctuary
#3 Lean & Green Cafe

HOME ELECTRONICS

#1 Modern Home Systems
#2 MasterCraft Home
Entertainment
#3 Alma Audio

HOTEL

#1 La Valencia
#2 The Lodge at Torrey Pines
#3 Empress Hotel

HOUSEKEEPING

#1 The Maids
#2 Rene's of La Jolla
#3 Merry Maids

IN-HOME CARE/ SENIOR ASSISTANCE

#1 La Jolla Nurses Homecare
#2 La Jolla Casa Pacifica
#3 Home Care of La Jolla

INSURANCE AGENT

#1 Jawad Bisharat (Allstate)
#2 Tareq Purmul
(Farmers Insurance)

INTERIOR DESIGNER

#1 Esteban Interiors
#2 Ross Thiele & Sons
#3 Jill Champion

ITALIAN RESTAURANT

#1 Cafe Milano
#2 Piatti
#3 Osteria Romantica

JEWELRY

#1 Bower's Jewelers
#2 Jewels by the Sea
#3 Prospect Jewelers

JUICE BAR

#1 Juice Crafters
#2 Juice Kaboose
#3 Beaming

LANDSCAPE/ GARDENER

#1 Torrey Pines Landscape
#2 Eco Minded Solutions
#3 Todd Fry Landscape
Architects

LINENS & BEDDING

#1 Martha Smith Linens
#2 Everett Stunz
#3 The Faded Awning

LUNCH

#1 Girard Gourmet
#2 El Pescador
#3 The Cottage

MARGARITA

#1 Puesto
#2 Su Casa
#3 George's at the Cove

MEDITERRANEAN

#1 Marketplace Grille
#2 Piatti
#3 The MED

MEN'S APPAREL

#1 Ascot Shop
#2 Tommy Bahama
#3 Ralph Lauren

MEN'S FORMAL WEAR

#1 A Better Deal
Tuxedos & Suits
#2 Ascot Shop
#3 Brooks Brothers

MEXICAN FOOD

#1 Puesto
#2 Ortega's
#3 Verde Ranchero

MORTGAGE BANKER

#1 Tracy Trudeau
#2 Dawn DuCharme
#3 Janice Sedloff

NEW RESTAURANT

#1 Duke's La Jolla	Tie 1st
#1 Le Petit Bistrot	Tie 1st
#2 On Girard Marketplace	
#3 Acquavite Cucina Italiana	

OUTDOOR RESTAURANT

#1 George's at the Cove
#2 Piatti
#3 Cody's

PASTRY

#1 Brick & Bell
#2 Sugar and Scribe Bakery
#3 The French Gourmet

PILATES STUDIO

#1 Marla Bingham Studio
#2 Pilates Plus
#3 Pilates of La Jolla

PIZZA

#1 Pizza on Pearl
#2 Carino's
#3 Bernini's Bistro

PLUMBER

#1 Anderson Plumbing
Heating and Air
#2 Al's Plumbing
#3 ASI Hastings

PRESCHOOL

#1 The Gillispie School
#2 La Jolla Presbyterian
Church Preschool
#3 La Jolla United Methodist
Church Nursery School

PRIVATE SCHOOL

#1 The Gillispie School
#2 The Bishop's School
#3 La Jolla Country Day

RESALE SHOP

#1 My Sister's Closet
#2 Goodwill
#3 Play it Again Sports

SANDWICH

#1 Girard Gourmet
#2 Jersey Mike's
#3 El Pescador

SEAFOOD

#1 El Pescador
#2 Eddie V's
#3 Marine Room

SENIOR LIVING

#1 La Jolla Casa Pacifica
#2 Casa de Manana
#3 White Sands

STEAK

#1 Eddie V's
#2 Donovan's
#3 Truluck's

SURF SHOP

#1 Mitch's Surf Shop
#2 Bird Rock Surf
#3 Surf Diva

SUSHI

#1 Sushi on the Rock II
#2 Sushi Mori
#3 James Place

TACO

#1 The Taco Stand	
#2 Puesto	
#3 Galaxy Taco	Tie 3rd
#3 Wahoo's	Tie 3rd

TAKEOUT

#1 Pizza on Pearl
#2 Burger Lounge
#3 Girard Gourmet

THAI RESTAURANT

#1 Spice & Rice
#2 Aroi Thai
#3 Chedi Thai

TRAINER

#1 Paul Fishman - Sparkcycle
and Pilates Plus
#2 Billy Borja -
Orange Theory Fitness
#3 Catherine Cox-
Sharpe Fitness

TRAVEL AGENCY

#1 Cadence Travel
#2 Chayet Travel
#3 Worldview Travel

VETERINARY HOSPITAL

#1 La Jolla Veterinary Hospital
#2 Windansea Veterinary Clinic
#3 Village Veterinary Hospital
(formerly Animal Hospital
of La Jolla)

WINE BAR

#1 We Olive
#2 LJ Crafted Wines
#3 Truluck's

WOMEN'S BOUTIQUE

#1 Lola
#2 La Donna
#3 Robina

YOGA

#1 Buddhi Yoga
#2 Kundalini Windansea
#3 Prana Yoga Center