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Celebrate 25 Years of San Francisco Ghost Hunt, and 100+ years of haunts with award-winning magician and ghost host, Christian Cagigal
Plus, the return of VIP close-up magic experience—The 13—from October 28-31

San Francisco's #1 Ghost Tour—the **San Francisco Ghost Hunt**—celebrates its 25th year, and you're invited to join the spooky fun. Founded by Jim Fassbinder in 1998, and experienced by an estimated *100,000 participants*, **San Francisco Ghost Hunt combines San Francisco's rich haunted history with storytelling, insider gossip, and a magic twist.** Join current Ghost Hunt owner-operator and award-winning magician Christian Cagigal for a guided, lantern-lit stroll through Pacific Heights and a fascinating overview of some of San Francisco's most scandalous and overlooked stories, now through October 31!

Looking for a little extra magic this Halloween? We're bringing back our exclusive, small-group VIP experience—*The 13*—for four nights only, October 28-31. This post-tour magic show and complimentary cocktail hour for just 13 guests per night showcases the best in close-up magic and spooky storytelling, courtesy of Christian Cagigal. **Discover what's made Cagigal San Francisco's favorite magician several years running**, as well as a regular attraction at the famed McKittrick Hotel in New York City. Tickets for *The 13* are \$100 each and include the full Ghost Hunt Tour prior to the private show.

We'd like to invite any of our media contacts to come on any tour before October 25, free of charge. Please contact sfghosthuntpress@gmail.com for reservations or for additional information regarding the tour's origin, featured sites, or owner-operator and magician extraordinaire, Christian Cagigal.

What they're saying!

"From tales of ghostly apparitions to aristocrats meeting grisly ends, every corner brings another ghoulish story from San Francisco history." —Carly Severn, *The California Report*, KQED

"Even you sticklers for empiricism will be bowled over by the spooky panache and storytelling prowess of Christian Cagigal, host of San Francisco Ghost Hunt." —Lily Janiak, *San Francisco Chronicle*

"In true SF style, the tour was weird and intersectional—which I appreciated! It was a really entertaining and enjoyable experience." —Alicia C., *Yelp*

Booking Details

What: San Francisco Ghost Hunt walking tour

When: Most evenings, Tuesday-Sunday, October 1-31, 8pm

Where: Meet in front of the Healing Arts Center, 1801 Bush Street, on the corner of Octavia and Bush Streets. (Note: Healing Arts Center is not associated with the tour).

Tickets: \$30, reservations required, <https://www.sfghosthunt.com>

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About San Francisco Ghost Hunt

San Francisco Ghost Hunt—the city's first ghost tour—was co-founded in 1998 by Jim Fassbinder and Christian Cagigal. After a 17-year run, primary Ghost Hunter Fassbinder retired from the business, and Cagigal stepped in as the owner-operator. A true labor of love and a favorite homegrown attraction, San Francisco Ghost Hunt appeals to amateur historians, lovers of the magical and macabre, ghost tour enthusiasts, and *flaneurs* of all stripes. It's suitable for participants of ten-years-old and up who can comfortably walk one mile in 90-120 minutes.

About Christian Cagigal

The U.S.-born son of Salvadoran and Spanish immigrants, Christian Cagigal splits his time between New York City and San Francisco. **He's a magician at Speakeasy Magick in New York City, co-Producer for Odd Salon NYC, and owner of the San Francisco Ghost Hunt.** He's been a finalist for the Theatre Bay Area Award for Best Solo Performer, the recipient of a Mastermind Award by the *SF Weekly*, and five-time winner of the Best Magician of the Bay by the *San Francisco Bay Guardian*.

His previous shows (all originally produced by EXIT Theatre) include the *Pandora Experiment*, *Obscura*, *The Collection*, and *Now and at the Hour* which has been seen in New York, Montréal, Chicago, New Orleans, Minneapolis, and San Francisco. **More recently, Christian was the magic consultant for the Glickman Award winning *This Much I Know*, written by Jonathan Spector at Aurora Theater Company in Berkeley, California; and the Associate Illusion Designer for the Obie Award winning, Pulitzer Prize-winning, and Tony-nominated *Fat Ham*, written by James Ijames, and performed at The Public Theater in 2022, and on Broadway at the American Airlines Theater in 2023.**

2023 COVID-19 Protocols

If you are fully vaccinated, you are not asked to wear a mask. If you are not fully vaccinated, please wear a mask. We will be standing in close proximity for periods of time. Your Ghost-Host is fully vaccinated and may choose to wear a mask.

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