



# East Bay, San Francisco & Peninsula Hall of Fame 2009 Inductees

## East Bay

### Foreign-language Program

**Viva el Español.** Children are exposed to Spanish as early as 1 year old through Parent & Me classes in this highly prized language-immersion program. *Multiple locations. [vivaelespanol.org](http://vivaelespanol.org).*

### Hospital/Medical Center

**John Muir Medical Center.** Prized for its doctors and services, this medical center has a colorful and inspiring pediatric unit in its Walnut Creek campus. 1601 Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek. 925-939-3000; 2540 East St., Concord. 925-682-8200. [johnmuirhealth.com](http://johnmuirhealth.com).

## San Francisco

### Foreign-language Program

**Language in Action.** Learning Spanish or Mandarin is easy for kids here, especially since they're taught using games, songs and instruction from experienced teachers. 2830 Baker St. 415-310-1335. [languageinaction.com](http://languageinaction.com).

### Picnic Area

**Golden Gate Park.** From quiet nooks to plenty of space for sports, there are plenty of places to plop down for a meal. Plus, with numerous free concerts held throughout the year, even the entertainment is included. *Bounded by Stanyon Street, Fulton Street, Lincoln Way and the Great Highway.* 415-555-1212. [ggp.gov](http://ggp.gov).

## Who Ya Gonna Call? —————

One of the most popular *Best of the Best* categories in recent years has been "Best Nanny Service." In fact, this year we received suggestions ranging from "Grandma" to "Mary Poppins." Still, several longtime nanny services were again at the top of our lists.

In the East Bay, 2007's winner, Danville's A Nanny Connection, was again the Gold Award winner. 925-743-0587; [nannyconnection.com](http://nannyconnection.com)

In San Francisco and the Peninsula, readers choose San Francisco's stalwart Town & Country Resources as its go-to Nanny 911. 415-567-0956. [tandcr.com](http://tandcr.com).



AMANDA HAWKINS

The Peninsula's favorite entertainer, Daffy Dave, performs for a captive audience in Redwood City.

### Clothes (New & Used)

**Chloe's Closet.** Buys, sells and trades children's clothing, newborn to 6 years old, toys, books and videos, as well as maternity clothes. 451A and 443 Cortland Ave. 415-642-3300. [chloescloset.com](http://chloescloset.com).

## Peninsula

### Party Entertainer

**Daffy Dave.** You know you're in for a rollicking, music-filled good time when the Peninsula's beloved funnyman takes the stage. 650-326-3711. [daffydave.com](http://daffydave.com).

### Party Location

**Pump It Up.** This popular birthday venue provides hours of jumping, bouncing and sliding fun. 1309 Elmer St., Belmont. 650-352-5867. [pumpitupparty.com](http://pumpitupparty.com).