



In partnership with the Chinese Historical Society of America

Opening Night Gala at the Old Mint ~ February 11, 2010, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Revelers will experience the excitement and glamour of the Chinese nightclub scene with master of ceremonies Ben Fong-Torres. The “Grant Avenue Follies”—a troupe of former nightclub dancers— will perform and Trina Robbins will sign her new book, *Forbidden City: The Golden Age of Chinese Nightclubs*. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. *Swinging Chinatown* celebrates a bygone era when club-goers were entertained by swinging singers and beautiful chorines. From the late 1930s to the early 1960s, clubs like Charlie Low’s Forbidden City featured the most talented Asian entertainers in the country. The exhibit includes vintage photographs, costumes, and mementos from clubs and performers.

Host Committee

The Hon. Harry Low and Ink Mendelsohn, Co-Chairs
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Tickets are \$85 for SFMHS and CHSA members, \$100 for non-members. Proceeds support SFMHS and the exhibition. For more information call (415) 537-1105 x100 or visit www.sfhhistory.org.

The Exhibition at the Old Mint, 88 Fifth Street, San Francisco

February 12 –15 and February 19 –21: 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Admission: \$5 SFMHS and CHSA members, \$10 non-members

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