

Pre-Conference Tour Friday February 18th, departs Berkeley at 10:00AM

Housed in the Moorish-castle-inspired Historic San Francisco Armory, Kink.com is a production facility producing copious amounts of extreme adult entertainment aimed at online consumers. Kink.com has buttressed the deteriorating facility to preserve the building, while maintaining the deteriorated look of the interior for setting their productions, which deal largely with bondage, discipline, and sadomasochism (BDSM).

Kink.com is a business active in the production of the San Francisco BDSM imaginary, not only via the Internet, but also through their provision of guided tours of the studios and production facilities. Registered conference attendees eighteen years or older are invited to join us in a pre-conference visit to the Historic San Francisco Armory and Kink.com.

Meet outside the Downtown Berkeley BART Station, at the top of the escalator at 10:00 AM. This is the subway station at Center Street and Shattuck Ave. We'll take the train to San Francisco for an 11:00 tour. Our host will guide us through the intersects of tourism, historic preservation, a successful dot-com, the emerging markets of streamed on-demand media, and the production of forms of sexual exploration for which San Francisco is famous.

After the tour you will be free to explore the Mission or the nearby Castro District. Although lunch is not provided, there are multiple restaurants in the area where you'll be able to find yourself a great meal. You'll be able to return to Berkeley on the same BART ticket at your own pace.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED - Those registered participants (18 and older) interested in joining the tour must **inform Nelson Graburn** by e-mail (graburn@berkeley.edu) **before January 27**th to reserve a space.