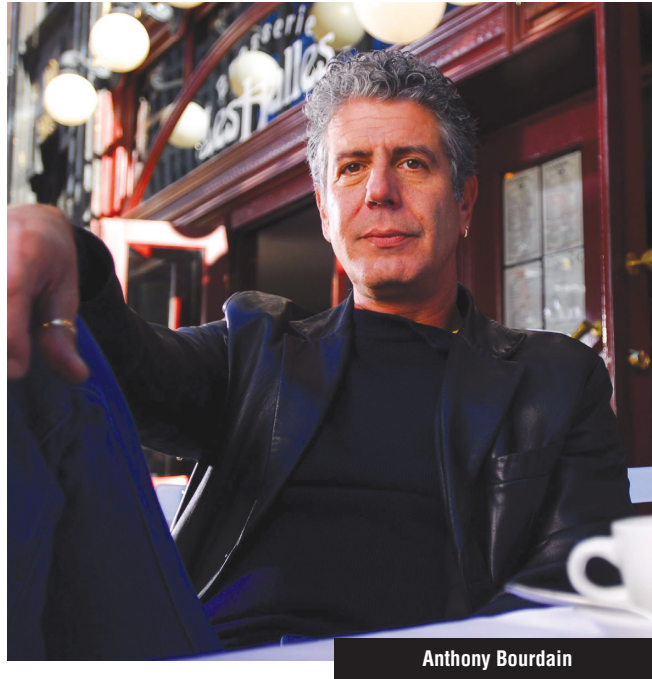


DIVERSIONS

By Natalie Jacobs

Sundance Now Doc Club

A relative new-kid on the movie streaming block in Sundance Now's Doc Club. Like Netflix, subscribers get access to a library of movies, in this case only documentaries, to stream on their internet-enabled televisions, smartphones, computers or tablets. The idea is to also bring the documentary-loving community together outside their homes, with members offered access to movie premieres, award shows, and film festivals. The public radio visionary Ira Glass has been involved in helping the Doc Club gain publicity since it launched. Part of that commitment includes a section of "Ira Glass Favorites" to help members navigate the seemingly endless choices. That list includes a documentary about the Middle East conflict, "The Law in These Parts;" one that chronicles the band Talking Heads, "Stop Making Sense;" and a famous film that finds director Ross McElwee looking for love while retracing Sherman's March. Other curated collections are available from Seth Meyers, Dan Savage, Anthony Bourdain and Susan Sarandon. Gift subscriptions are available if you're in need of a last-minute holiday present. More info at docclub.com.

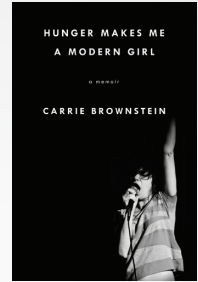


Anthony Bourdain



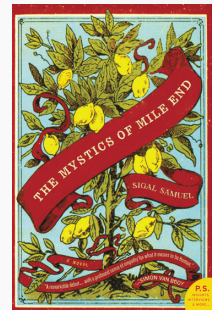
Taylor Williamson, comic

Though not broadcast on television (the medium usually featured in this spot on the page), you can catch comic and San Diego native Taylor Williamson up in Irvine this month. He has just wrapped up a huge tour with the America's Got Talent crew (which sadly didn't make a stop in Williamson's hometown), but this Irvine show isn't that far away. You may remember Williamson from his performances on Last Comic Standing season 7, or from when he was a contestant on America's Got Talent, season 8. In between television appearances, he continues to tour his quinessential Jewish-nerd act on the national comedy circuit. His Irvine show is scheduled for Dec. 16 at the Improv Comedy Club.



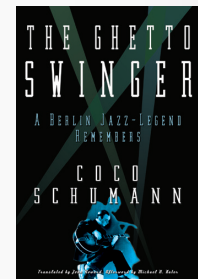
"Hunger Makes Me a Modern Girl"

Musician, humorist and nice Jewish girl Carrie Brownstein gets deeply personal in her new memoir.



"Mystics of Mile End"

Where hipsters meet Hasids, on Canada's Mile End. This is a fictional story about a real place with beauty and tragedy at every turn.



"The Ghetto Swinger: A Berlin Jazz Singer Remembers"

How did a Jewish guy become Germany's most famous jazz guitarist?