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Not Just Another Opening for the Restored 'Glittering Jewel Box'

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'Hop On The Bus, Gus, You Don't Need To Discuss Much:' Besides maybe the opportunity to purchase a house at a discount.

San Diego's Finest Real Estate, a local real estate firm, is hosting free bus tours for bargain-hunting homebuyers this month and next. The tour features foreclosure homes marked below their original listing price.

The tours will take participants on a four-hour guided tour of bargains within the residential foreclosure market in Carmel Valley, Chula Vista, Poway, Scripps Ranch and 4S Ranch. Tours continue through March 9.

"The real estate market in San Diego has made a nice correction and now is a great time to buy a home or condo, especially if you take advantage of bank-owned foreclosures," said Ann Marie Boyer, co-owner and broker with SDFRE. "Lenders are being aggressive and the banks are actually required by law to get foreclosures off their books, so it's a great time to invest."

Tour participants must register to attend the tours.

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