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## Arts Task Force Submits Report

The Arts Task Force was established by the Mayor and Board of Supervisors in the fall of 2004 and began meeting in the spring of 2005. After a year of bi-monthly meetings, a report has been submitted to the City for consideration. As you may remember from the April, 2005 issue of the "Eureka", EVPA member Rick Galbreath was the District 8 appointee to the Task Force.

The Task Force was established to examine how the city funds the arts, where the shortcomings are, and how better to secure arts and cultural funding into the future. Task Force members included representatives appointed by each Supervisor, the Board of Supervisors collectively and the Mayor. There were 21 voting members representing a broad cross-section of artistic disciplines including artists, arts administrators and foundations. There were also 13 ex-officio members representing the city's cultural institutions, visitors and convention bureau, Grants for the Arts, and the War Memorial.

The task force heard testimony from a wide range of organizations and individuals on their experience with the city and what their pressing needs were currently and the challenges they faced in the future. There was a broad consensus about what the city did best in supporting the arts and that was providing space for art and artists. The most successful cultural organizations are provided with their buildings: Fine Arts (including the De Young and Palace of Fine Arts) and Asian Museums, the Opera, Symphony and Ballet are all housed in city-owned buildings whose upkeep and maintenance costs are borne by the City of San Francisco. Lesser known, but equally important to the cultural vitality of the city are the seven neighborhood cultural centers, three of which have no permanent home.

Of course, the greatest problem facing the city's funding of the arts is money. Initially established during the Alioto administration, the Hotel Tax Fund (HTF) has grown to become the primary funding source for the arts. The statutory split of taxes collected and dedicated to the arts from the fund is 60%. However, over the course of the last several budget cycles, the Mayor and Board have raided the HTF to where only 40% of the fund supports the arts. Clearly, one of the recommendations was to reverse that condition.

The recommendations of the task force fell into three basic categories: Revenue, Programming and Structure. Briefly stated, the primary revenue recommendation was to return the HTF to its statutory spending level; programming recommended sustaining support for the cultural institutions while directing new funding to neighborhood arts; and structure recommended consolidating the function of the Arts Commission and Grants for the Arts into a unified Department of Arts and Culture and establishment of an Arts Planning Council which mirrors several existing city models for strategic planning. All the recommendations were adopted unanimously except the unification of GFTA and the Arts Commission which passed with only two dissenting votes. Originally proposed by the Mayor as a cost saving measure and the impetus for creation of the Task Force, it was ultimately found to be a good idea.

The entire report is available on the City's website through the Arts Commission page.

## Neighborhood Notes

Incumbent District 8 Supervisor **Bevan Dufty** says the new pedestal news racks are scheduled to be installed along Market Street between Church and Castro Streets and on 18th and Castro Street in August.... **Alix Rosenthal** has announced her candidacy for District 8 Supervisor. EVPA President **Frank Weiss** is working to schedule Dufty and Rosenthal to meet with EVPA General Membership in September or October.... **Bullshead Restaurant** has opened on 18th Street, opposite **Cala's**, at the site previously occupied by **Tallula's**. It's primarily a place for steaks, burgers, and salads.... **Crave**, a restaurant specializing in small plates, has opened on Market Street next to **The Cafe** and opposite **Catch Restaurant**. Furniture store **Blue Ventana** is closing its Castro Street shop. Pet supply store **Best In Show** will replace it.... The Planning Department has reversed its decision and is permitting **The Patio Restaurant** to continue its remodeling and seismic retrofitting.... **The Metropolitan Community Church** has closed its building on Eureka St. due to structural problems.

## Planning Committee Notes for July 2006

The Planning Committee's inbox is receiving more activity as the summer progresses. Along with these new notices, projects that we are continuing to monitor are 70 Douglass Street and 4126 17th Street. EVPA members are encouraged to get some exercise and walk around the neighborhood to view these properties. Also, planning notices can be requested by calling the Planning Department at 558-6392. If you know of any projects on your street that you would like the Planning Committee to review, please email Mike Babbitt at mbabbitt@msn.com.

Here are updates on the new notices I've received over the past few weeks.

70-74 Hartford Street: A proposal to construct a garage at the basement level and perform interior remodeling. This would add three off-street parking spaces for this three unit building.

25A Henry Street: A proposal to repair a non-conforming garden structure (presumably a living space seeing as how it contains a bathroom) in order to comply with current building code requirements.

1124-1126 Church Street: A proposal to demolish an existing garage and commercial-use structure fronting Nellie Street and replace it with a one-story over garage, single family dwelling. This project requests a rear yard variance, which was heard by the zoning administrator on March 22, 2006.

70 Douglass Street: A variance sought to subdivide the lot. This is part of the proposed demolition of the existing structure at 70 Douglass and replacement with two buildings. That planning notice was reported in the June issue of Planning Notes.

4419 19th Street: A proposal to construct Horizontal and vertical additions to the existing single family dwelling including a one story addition in the rear, the demolition and reconstruction of the existing top floor, the addition of a new floor and a new garage and modifications to the existing façade.

3376 19th Street: A revision to an existing permit, requesting the approval to add an additional 2.5 feet to new decks proposed for the rear of the building. This approval requires a rear yard variance.

## Pictures of Interest



EVPA members Diane Nutting, Vincent Greene (not pictured) and EVPA president Frank Weiss greeted passerby's on Pink Saturday outside Catch Restaurant on Market Street.



The rocky crest of Corona Heights is a great hiking destination with an expansive view - and it's right in our neighborhood!



Mission Dolores Park is a great place to relax and enjoy the warm weather, as these groups of people did on a recent Sunday.

## Upcoming EVPA Meetings

EVPA meetings are back in the Eureka Valley Recreation Center Auditorium, 100 Collingwood (behind Cala Foods). See you there!

*July 20, August 17, September 21*

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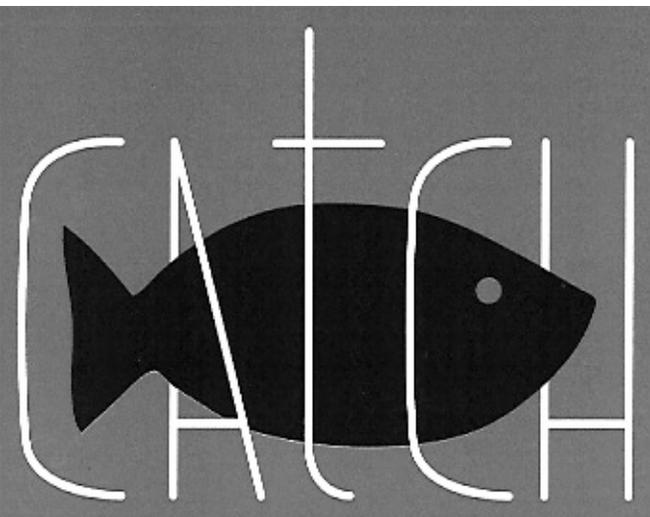
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Police Non-Emergency 553-0123  
Police/Mission Station 558-5400  
Help A Homeless Person 431-7400  
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Street Cleaning 695-2017 or 695-2020  
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Street Signs Missing/Damaged 554-9780  
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Supervisor Bevan Dufty's Office 554-6968  
bevan.dufty@sfgov.org  
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Rick Galbreath

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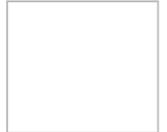
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**General Membership Meeting**  
**Thursday July 20, 2006 7:30pm**  
**Eureka Valley Recreation Center**  
**100 Collingwood St.**

### **AGENDA**

1. Approval of June 15 Minutes
2. Recap of EVPA's PTP&M Table at Catch on Pink Saturday
3. Status of EVPA's 510 c (3) application
4. Castro Street Fair Volunteers — Joe Caruso

