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# Thursday, June 25th, **Greening Committee:** 6:30-7pm

Hayes Valley Playground Clubhouse, corner of Hayes & Buchanan

# Thursday, June 25th, **Community Meeting:** 7-8:30 pm

Hayes Valley Playground Clubhouse, corner of Hayes & Buchanan

## Friday, June 26th, **David Best Sculpture** Dedication, 10 am

Patricia's Green, Octavia Blvd at Hayes Street

# JULY

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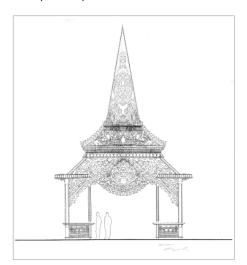
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# **NEW SCULPTURE IN** PATRICIA'S GREEN!

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By William Bulkley and Madeline Behrens-Brigham, HVNA ACE (art, culture, and entertainment) Committee co-chairs

Ten years ago this June, Patricia's Green in Hayes Valley celebrated the opening of the new Octavia Boulevard with the first of many temporary, large-scale public art works. The center of the Green is dedicated to exhibiting temporary art, and artist David Best exhibited his stunning Hayes Valley Temple in 2005. A decade later, Best, the San Francisco Arts Commission (SFAC,) and Black Rock Arts are pleased announce the installation of a new interactive piece titled The Temple at Patricia's Green, celebrating 10 years of temporary art in Hayes Valley.



With the new Temple, Best will provide an opportunity for community collaboration. He proposes an installation period of ten days, spanning two weekends from June 17 through June 26. This will create time for both scheduled and informal opportunities to interact

with the public, so that their thoughts and inspirations may be immediately incorporated into his design.

Best's temples are a collaborative effort and rely on the dedication and input of many volunteers. Best estimates that this project will need a crew of 40 volunteers. In a coordinated effort, Black Rock Arts, the Hayes Valley Art Coalition (HVAC), SFAC and David Best will initiate an outreach campaign to ensure the participation of local residents.



Temple at Green Octavia Blvd opening Photo by Stefan Hastrup 2005

Neighborhood developer impact fees in the amount of \$36,000 will fund the project. This funding is allocated according to the Market Octavia Area Plan for temporary art in Patricia's Green. The M/O Plan is a planning document that HVNA was instrumental in

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President's Column By Larry Cronander

Summer approaches in Hayes Valley. The fifth annual Ham and Eggs Fire Brunch and Walk-

ing Tour on May 16th were blessed by lovely temperate weather. However, our appreciation of the longer days and quirky summer weather is tempered by awareness of the severe and ongoing drought which affects everyone. Patricia's Green has been allowed to go brown, and brown truly is the new green.

The greening of Hayes Valley is an important goal of the HVNA to increase the livability and quality of life in our neighborhood. The wellattended Community Meeting on May 28th, preceded by the regular meeting of the Greening Committee, focused on greening issues in Hayes Valley, which the drought has made all the more challenging. The focus of the meeting was to introduce to our Community some of the many government and private organizations with which we continue to work to make our neighborhood more livable, activate our streets, vacant spaces and our homes. With the increasing housing density in our neighborhood, greening space is one way to keep our neighborhood a wonderful place to live, work and play. There was wonderful interactive communication between our members and many government and private organizations, including SFRec and Park, the Parks Alliance, the Friends of the Urban Forest, the DPW's Department of Urban Forestry, the Urban Farmer Company and the Planning Department's City Design Group.

We will continue to work with these organizations both as a Neighborhood Association and as individuals to increase the number of street trees, living alleys, parklets, sidewalk gardens and sustainable agriculture and horticulture within the constraints the drought imposes. We can see the drought as an opportunity to green the neighborhood with drought-resistant and native plants and trees. Patricia's Green will be green again!

Speaking of Patricia's Green, watch for the installation of David Best's new sculpture there beginning in mid-June. Becoming involved in our Community is an enormously rewarding experience; all are welcome. Join us! president@hayesvalleysf.org

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formulating. Funding for the project will be administered through the

The new Temple will be made of wood. On par with his other largescale works, it is expected to be approximately 15 feet in width and length and approximately 37 feet in height (pending final plans.) The designs of Best's temples are fluid and organic, allowing him to respond to the immediate feedback of the community. The results are always impressively ornate structures. These temples often feature alcoves and niches conducive to private reflection. As people contribute to the piece, the space becomes a communal amalgamation of very personal experiences, creating a new sense of affinity among participating community members.

Best's temples are breathtaking and moving. Typical of these works, The Temple at Patricia's Green will be a beautiful environment that honors the loss of friends and family members and celebrates peoples' dreams and aspirations for the future. These temples fill a critical societal need, providing the rare opportunity to publicly acknowledge grief and hope concurrently. The legacy of Best's previous temples has created an intrinsic understanding of their functionality; people intuitively respond to his work with reverence and respect, and interact with the structures with intention and purpose. Participants write the names of, or messages to, lost loved ones, add photos or artwork, or write their aspirations and thoughts on the temple's walls. The structure becomes a collective tribute to the shared human experiences of contemplation, reflection, grief, affection and hope.

The new Temple will be on display for at least one year. Contact art@hayesvalleysf.org







Proposed development at 1554 Market St, near Van Ness Ave.

# TRANSPORTATION & PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

By Jason Henderson, chair

# Traffic Calming in Hayes Valley

Over the past year, HVNA hosted community meetings and worked with the SFMTA and Market and Octavia Community Advisory Committee to address congestion, speeding, red light running, and pedestrian and bicycle safety.

This is an ongoing and iterative process, and last month the SFMTA put forward a very modest package of intersection "daylighting" improvements. Daylighting intersections provides a significant pedestrian safety benefit, as well as making it safer for motorists to navigate intersections where parked vehicles can obstruct drivers' and bicyclists' field of view. Daylighting is a first step towards converting a very small number of curbside parking spaces to pedestrian bulb outs, new neighborhood greening, and sidewalk improvements at key intersections. Taking a more comprehensive, long-term view, HVNA recognizes that curbside parking is within the public right of way, and as such, is not meant exclusively for parking. The public right of way belongs to everyone, not just individual vehicle owners. It is a commons, and as such, should be regulated and responsibly managed for everyone - not just car drivers.

Until recently, city planning has been biased towards allocating curbside public right of way solely for private car storage. By stepping back and recognizing the concept of public right of way, we see that curbside parking is just one of many possibilities. Greening, pedestrian safety, and public spaces where people feel safe have equal legitimacy in our public right of way. For these reasons HVNA heartily endorses the modest efforts of the SFMTA, and we look forward to more as the planning 

# COME TO THE WESTERN ADDITION COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR AND FAMILY DAY!

By Thomas Robert Simpson

The AfroSolo Arts Festival cordially invites neighbors and members of the Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association to its tenth annual Western Addition Community Health Fair, on Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ella Hill Hutch Community Center; 1050 McAllister Street in San Francisco.

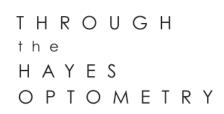
AfroSolo provides an opportunity for the community to get medical screenings, and learn about community based organizations endeavoring to uplift the community's over all health. "We are excited and happy to offer this service," said Thomas Robert Simpson, founder and artistic director of AfroSolo. "It provides an excellent opportunity for community members to check their vital signs for indications of good health, and/or the need to seek medical attention," he added. We will provide access to medical personnel, medical screenings (such as cholesterol, blood pressure, body fat, glucose, HIV and dental), and host up to forty health related Community Based Organizations information

AfroSolo has an extensive history of working with health, social services and community based organizations. Some include California Pacific Medical Center, Kaiser Permanente, St. Mary Medical Center, the Bay Area Black Nurses Association, Black Coalition on AIDS, San Francisco AIDS Foundation, San Francisco Department of Public Health, Westside Community Services, The University of San Francisco, the Tzu Chi Foundation and many, many more.

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# Affordable Housing Along with traffic, affordable housing has been at the top of HVNA's

agenda, and we've worked closely with developers to ensure on-site affordable housing is built in Hayes Valley instead of outside of the neighborhood.

This June, two projects will go before the Planning Commission, and HVNA supports both. On June 18th, 1700 Market, an 8-story, approximately 40-unit project, goes to Planning for approval. We're pleased affordable housing is included in the project and that some units will be two bedrooms. Zero car parking and ample bicycle parking are a great

On June 25th, 1554 Market (one block away from 1700 Market) is going to the Planning Commission. This 12-story, 109-unit project includes 14 on-site affordable units, and is following the unit-mix policies of the Market and Octavia Plan. HVNA appreciates that Trumark Urban, the developer, is following the Market and Octavia parking caps, but for the record we did urge them to consider zero parking. We believe all residential projects in this part of the city should be car free. But this is a well-designed building. We encourage coordination between this and the proposed high-rise tower at Van Ness and Market Street, so a good pedestrian realm is created along Oak Street and Market Street. Both of these projects are local builders, and we welcome them to our neighborhood. Their outreach has been collegial and open-minded, and they were very responsive to our comments and suggestions. While we'd like to see more affordable housing in moderate-scale projects like these, the developers are technically following existing city policies, and they could opt to pay an in-lieu fee instead. That option would mean no affordable housing for our neighborhood as it would be spent in other parts of the city. On-site inclusionary housing provides some increment of affordability in a centrally located, transit-rich part of the city, and it makes smart growth more equitable. Contact planning@hayesvalleysf.org

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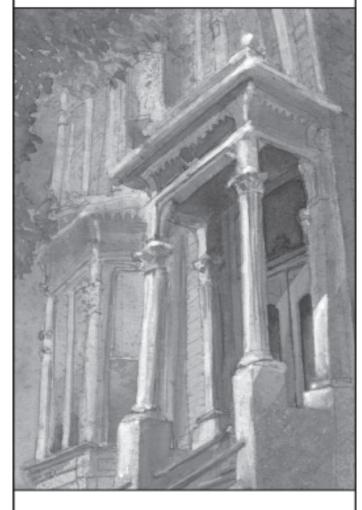


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# GREENING COMMITTEE REPORT

We are in a historic drought, yet the need for green space to provide shared places for nature and humans is more apparent. Hayes Valley is planned for more dense housing, and yet the Market Octavia Better Neighborhood Plan recognized the need to keep trees, gardens, and islands of green throughout Hayes Valley.

The Greening Committee organized the May 28th Community Meeting to provide neighbors with resources to begin planning their own green spaces. The following organizations were there, and we're providing their contact information for those who couldn't come to this important meeting:

- SF Rec and Park: manages all parks in Hayes Valley. Especially concerned with the maintenance of Patricia's Green. David.iribane@sfgov.org; volunteer coordinator: Kimberly.Kiefer@sfgov.org
- Urban Farmer, SF-based irrigation company, focused on drip irrigation: Tom Bressan, tom@urbanfarmerstore.com
- SF Parks Alliance: creating new parks; adopting a park. What about Rose Street Mini Park? Sonia Suresh, sonia@sfparksalliance.org
- SF Planning Department (City Design Group), Parklets: Jessica Look, jessica.look@sfgov.org
- Friends of the Urban Forest (FUF): planting new street trees; coordinating sidewalk gardens (permeable landscapes) with DPW's Dept of Urban Forestry; : Doug Wildman: doug@fuf.net
- DPW, Dept of Urban Forestry: monitoring street trees; will support a succession plan for diseased/old trees. HVNA's Greening Community will help coordinate in commercial or residential areas for replacement trees. Sarah Stacy: sara.stacy@sfdpw.org
- Community Gardens: Hayes Valley Playground community garden needs lots of help to plant a vegetable garden now. Seeds already purchased. Drip watering system already there. Need 10 volunteers for 2-3 hours each week for planting, weeding, maintenance, and harvesting. green@hayesvalleysf.org

Use the above contact information to get started, and contact HVNA's Greening Committee to support your efforts. We look forward to your attending the committee's monthly meetings on the 4th Thursday of each month, 6:30-7 pm, at the Hayes Valley Playground Clubhouse, corner of Hayes and Buchanan. Contact: green@hayesvalleysf.org

# TEMPORARY "MAKING SPACE" INCUBATOR PLANNED

By Gail Baugh, HVNA Vice President

Activation of the vacant parcel of land, at the corner of Fell and Laguna continues in the planning stages. The idea of an incubator space for concepts that divert materials destined for landfill for new uses is gaining momentum, thanks to Arts, Culture, Entertainment (ACE) Co-Chair Madeline Behrens-Brigham initiating the concept. The Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH) is encouraging temporary use of this nearly 1 acre site, and HVNA will partner with other organizations for the purpose of incubating "making" ideas in materials reuse...for the purpose of creating art, greening containers, and other ideas.

While this parcel of land is destined for affordable family housing, with construction to begin in about 18 months, HVNA believes, with collaboration from community groups, that this space can find temporary use as arts organizations, startups, and existing businesses showcase their methods of using discarded materials to produce new products.



Rebar photo, 2008.

Many will remember the band shell, created 7 years ago by several conceptual art groups and individuals. The collaboration group included The Finch Mob, Rebar, Christopher Guillard, and Mark Sinclair. The concept of a performance band shell in the Panhandle was designed using discarded car hoods with other materials, fastened together, to create to a theater sound shell. Existing materials can be made into new products, and this "Making Space" incubator will allow new design and product concepts to be produced and showcased in this space.

The Mayor's Office of Housing is asking for groups to collaborate together, including arts organizations and companies, that want to show what is possible in making new products from materials diverted from landfill. The SF Department of the Environment is one of the partners, along with HVNA, and will begin planning at the end of June. Please email HVNA as soon as possible. Let individuals, organizations or companies you know that are involved in design, furniture, 3-D fine art, or other interesting ideas, that would like to join this innovative temporary use project, contact info@ hayesvalleysf.org or art@hayesvalleysf.org



# WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO REPORT A CRIME?

By Bob Barnwell

There has been a lot of talk recently in our neighborhood about how to report a crime. At the April Public Safety meeting, two of the best groups involved in public safety led the discussion. SF SAFE is on contract with the city to provide free safety training to residents and businesses. Northern Station (on Fillmore at Eddy Streets) is the San Francisco police station that overseas Hayes Valley and the Western Addition.

When you see a crime in progress always call 911. If you come home and see your house burglarized or car broken into then call the non-emergency police number 415-553-0123. To report a location of a crime it is best to have an address, including what side of the street and how many houses from the corner. To describe a suspect to the police provide information on gender, height, size (a big person or thin), facial hair or tattoos, earrings, glasses, race, and clothing. One of the most important items is shoes or footwear. This is the last item to be shed. Also, advise if the suspect is caring weapons. If you hear shots, describe to the police how many shots and the rhythm of the shots. Also describe any people leaving the area.

The only way the police know crimes are happening is when people report them. If your car has been broken into, report the crime. Report your smart phone being stolen. If you see someone casing out cars or homes then call 911 to describe the suspect. Police can only increase patrols if they know crimes are being committed. For more information call SF SAFE 415-553-1984 or www.sfsafe.org. If in doubt you can always call 311 and they will direct you to the proper reporting agency. Contact: safety@hayesvalleysf.org