



Friends & Advocates of Crocker-Amazon & the Excelsior

Having Fun in the Neighborhood

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From all of your friends at F.A.C.E.~
We wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous **New Year 2011!**

E-Waste Recycling Saturday, January 8th in District 11

Help rid your house of unwanted electronics this month in District 11 with the 1st SF Clean City E-Waste Recycling Day.

E-Waste Recycling Event at Crocker Amazon Playground Parking Lot on Moscow **January 8th 2011**, from 9:00am - 2:00PM. Enter the Parking Lot at Italy Street). **For other available dates & locations check this website link:**
<http://www.sfcleancity.com>.

Mamá Art Cafe Art Event - Saturday, January 8th 7-10 PM

Mamá Art Cafe will present **Taste and Eat - Work by Lori Bury** an exhibition and Art Reception Saturday, January 8th from 7pm – 10pm at the Mamá Art Café.

Bury breaks down the psychological wall that normally separates the viewer from the object by placing various hors d'oeuvres and confections into the organic, ethereal installations she has constructed. There is a hope that upon receiving into one's self what the artist has offered the viewer (now also taster), one will walk away fulfilled or appeased — or in some way more engaged after being placed into the creative process.



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For more information call or come by 4754 Mission Street, San Francisco. Call at 415 586-8453, or e-mail artcafe@mamasf.com.

Fun House Hosts Excelsior's Book Club & Arts/Crafts Social Wednesday, January 12th & 13th 7pm

With the start of 2011 Grace & Andre Marty owners of *The Fun House* are offering a series of art classes, community gatherings & cultural evenings at their creative studio in San Francisco's Excelsior District.

The Excelsior Book Club - FREE

Wednesday January 12th at 7pm the Fun House hosts the Excelsior Book Club **author reading** of **Matt Stewart's** innovative new novel ***The French Revolution***. Join the discussion during this meet-the-author event.

The Excelsior Book Club meets monthly (except August and December). January's meeting will be held at the Fun House. The Excelsior Book Club is a project of the Excelsior District Improvement Association. www.excelsiorsf.org

The next evening, Thursday, January 13th at 7pm any neighbors interested in art are invited to meet and begin brainstorming creative ways to improve the look of the neighborhood.

The Fun House offers art and craft classes, including life drawing, soap making and other creative classes for all ages.

The Fun House is located at 4398 Mission St. (corner of Cotter St.) San Francisco, CA 94112 - 415-841-9858. www.SFShineUSA.com

Saturday, January 15th - District 11 Council Meeting

Join the council of all District 11 neighborhood groups at their 1st monthly meeting of 2011 from 10:00am-Noon at Ingleside Police Station Community Room (Sgt. John V. Young Lane/San Jose Avenue)

Guest: Patrick Hannan, City Fields Foundation

Coffee & Donuts ☕ will be served



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District 11 Newsmakers: Broken Record's Jason King, & Mission Terrace Little City Gardens

We're pleased to see more positive articles written about District 11 and focusing on what makes the district great. The SF Chronicle featured two great spots: Brooke Budner and Caitlyn Galloway who founded the Mission Terrace *Little City Garden*, discussing their organic vegetable garden and Jason King, owner of Crocker Amazon's *The Broken Record*, featured in the Sunday edition of the Chronicle's Wine & Spirits section recommending the proper pairing of craft brews with a good whisky.

To read both articles visit these links : http://articles.sfgate.com/2010-04-29/food/20877416_1_san-francisco-urban-agriculture-city-gardens

And <http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2010/12/31/FD6U1GTDLB.DTL>

If you know more good press articles, please send them our way!

SAVE THE DATE: McLaren Park Council Kick-Off Meeting – Wednesday, January 19th – Sutter Roundhouse

Many months ago, at the final McLaren Park needs assessment meeting, a suggestion was made to create a McLaren Park Council. The Council format would allow all the various groups (park advocates, community and user groups), to share information, updates on park projects, issues and advocacy. The idea has met with a lot of excitement and it is finally about to get rolling. A big thank you to NPC-Neighborhood Parks Council for helping with the first steps/organizing efforts.

To move forward with the Council the Launch Meeting takes place **Wednesday, January, 19th, 6-8pm** at the Louis Sutter Round House, McLaren Park, (University near Woolsey).

Please spread the news to individuals and groups who might want to attend this first meeting. The goal is to create a new way to provide better communication among all the diverse groups and activities that make up the



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fabric of McLaren Park.

For more information: Please contact Linda Litehiser (on behalf of the organizing committee) at 415-585-8005 or lharte@earthlink.net.

Grace D'Anca Appointed District 11 Rep on SF Graffiti Advisory Board

Congratulations to Grace D'Anca, one of the newest members of the Graffiti Advisory Board. For the District Eleven Seat, Grace D'Anca began her appointment January 1st. She has been active in the Excelsior District for over 17 years and is eager to be a part of the solution to the challenges of graffiti.

Grace will bring her knowledge to the Advisory Board and share her insight in tackling graffiti in the District.

**Milla & KITKA with Chicago Tamburasi - Friday, January 28nd
8PM – Croatian-American Cultural Center**

The Croatian American Cultural Center presents Kitka and Milla Milojkovic with the Chicago Tamburasi.

The culminating event of the Culture at the Crossroads concert series will be a concert featuring Kitka and Milla Milojkovic with the Chicago Tamburasi--Two creative forces in Balkan music on the same program!

Kitka's music strives to expand the boundaries of folksong as a living and evolving expressive art form, and Milla explores the synthesis between jazz and Balkan music with her stellar sidemen, the Chicago Tamburasi. Ethnic food at 7:30PM, concert at 8PM, and dancing afterwards. Don't miss it!

The Croatian American Cultural Center is located at 60 Onondaga Ave., 510-649-0941 - San Francisco - www.CroatianAmericanWeb.org

**Artist Public Art Opportunities with SF Arts Commission –
Application Deadline Tuesday, January 18th 5:00PM**



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The San Francisco Arts Commission announced new opportunities for artists in the Public Art Program. Artists working in all mediums are encouraged to apply to the 2011 Prequalified Artist Pool to be considered for upcoming public art projects. This is open to all professional practicing artists or artist teams residing in the Western States (Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming).

Public Safety Building Public Art Program

The new Public Safety Building will be the first civic building located in the Mission Bay neighborhood. Several art opportunities for both interior and exterior public art projects are available. Multiple projects will be implemented at this site for a total budget of \$2.6 million.

Professional practicing artists or artist teams residing in the United States are eligible.

Application deadline for both: Tuesday, January 18th, 2011, 5:00 PM (PST)

For questions, contact Zoe Taleporos, Public Art Program Associate at (415) 252-3215 or by email at zoe.taleporos@sfgov.org.

**BART Citizens Review Board – Application Deadline Tuesday,
January 31st 5:00PM**

The BART Board of Directors is accepting applications for the 2-year term as member of the 11-person BART Citizens Review Board. This multi-county group provides additional oversight of the BART Police Department and the review major police incidents.

If you are interested in being considered for an appointment to this board, please call BART District Secretary Ken Duron at (510) 464-6080 or go to:

<http://www.bart.gov/about/bod/citizenreviewboard.aspx>, to submit an application by January 31st.

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