

Highland Park Heritage Trust

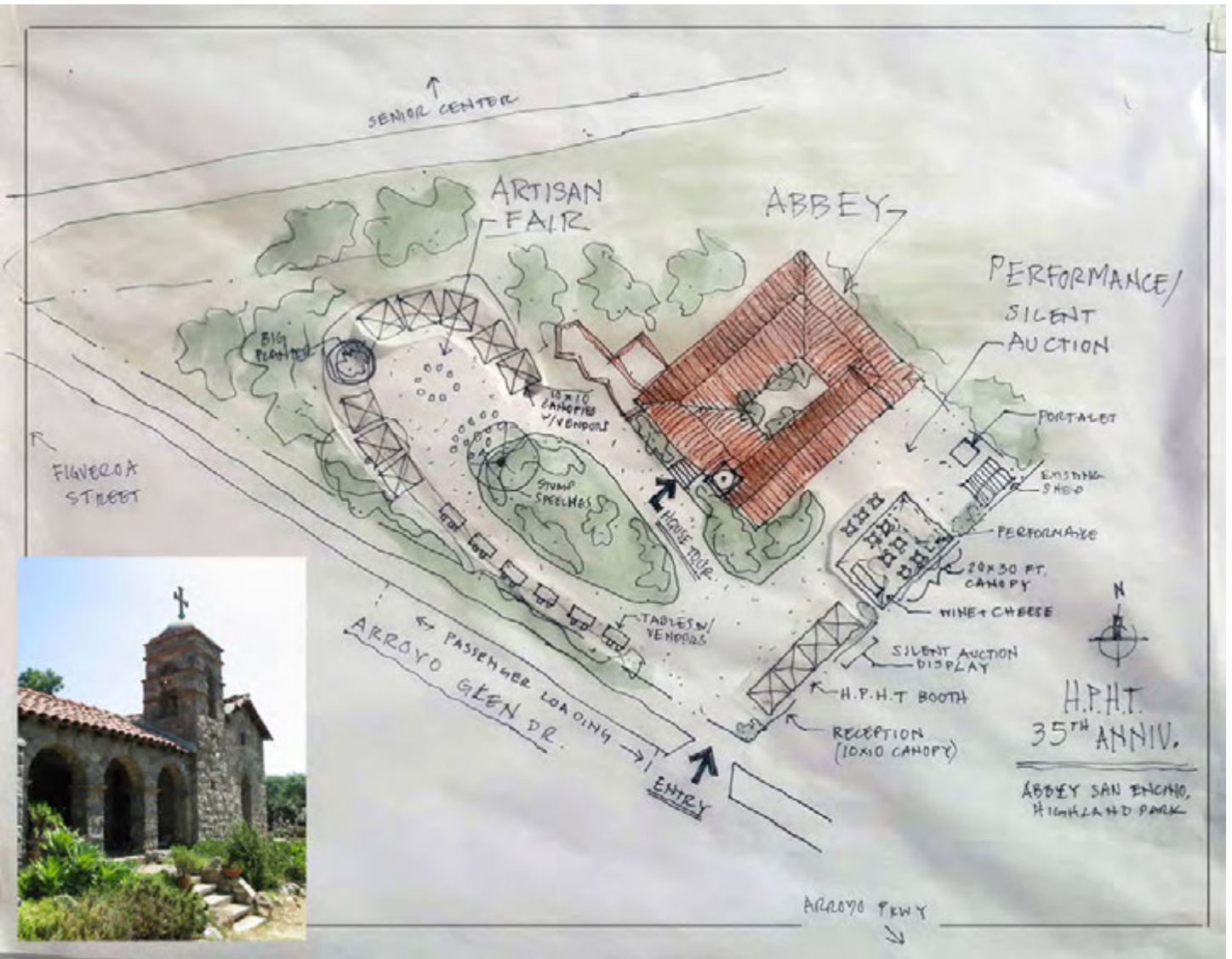
OUR CORNERSTONE

Volume XVIII • Issue 1

Winter 2018

Highland Park Heritage Trust - 35th Anniversary Historic Home Tour, Gala & Artisan Fair at the Abbey San Encino

Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
6211 Arroyo Glen Street in Historic Highland Park



See pages 4-5 for more info and ticket ordering details

A Big Year Ahead at HPHT

The Heritage Trust board met in January for our annual Planning Session and had a productive luncheon meeting, hosted by Board Members JJ Jackman and Eric Magallon in their charming, historic home in Garvanza. We looked back at last year's initiatives and can report successful completion on many fronts. ...Some highlights include substantial completion of preliminary work on the HPHT Archiving Project. With Occidental College's assistance we were able to complete the survey of 35 years of HPHT documents. As the HPHT Archive Committee continues working to conserve these informative items we are focusing on best practices and ways to engage others in the use of our archival materials. We are also pleased to report that a new Figueroa walking tour has been added to our HPHT education and outreach offerings (see article this issue). In several areas we resolved to work harder and more effectively where we fell short. With our Lummis Home advocacy we succeeded in gathering nearly 1000 signatures in support of the Lummis Home but now need to work more effectively to reach the ears and eyes of our elected leaders to help move the needle on the historic home.

For 2018 we have identified the following Initiatives – some new and some rolled over where we still have work to do.

- 1) **35th Anniversary Celebration at the Abbey San Encino** (March 18, see flyer this issue) and other events thru the year (Fall 2017 thru Fall 2018)
- 2) **Advocacy for NELA Cultural Resources** – SW Museum/ Casa and Reignite the Lummis Home Initiative
- 3) **Membership and Marketing** – Grow membership, member participation and visibility of HPHT in the Community
- 4) **Activism** – work with community members to nominate the Prebbles Coffee Shop (AKA IHOP in Cypress Park) + Chicano Arts Collectives on Figueroa
- 5) **Sustained Fundraising** – work on creating a yearly signature fundraising event(s) to support our Preservation Activities
- 6) **Refocus the conversation on Historic Preservation** – a yearlong dialog. Where has the Preservation movement been and where is it going? Are there particular needs and/or opportunities in our Arroyo communities that HPHT should be addressing?

Have ideas? Would you like to be involved in one or more of these initiatives? Please drop us a line, we would love to hear from you!

Contact info@hpht.org or call us at 323-908-4127.

Onwards and Upwards,
LOUISA VAN LEER, President



2018 Officers

President: **Louisa Van Leer**
Vice President: **Rebecca Schiffman**
Vice President: **Jamie Tijerina**
Secretary: **JJ Jackman**
Treasurer: **Charly Kemp**
Membership Chair:
Anne Marie Wozniak

Board of Directors

Antonio Castillo
Steve Crouch
Carmela Gomes
Charles Fisher
Alexandra Madsen
Eric Magallon
Keiko Miller
John Nese
Robert Spira
Jonathan Silberman

Our Cornerstone is the official newsletter of the Highland Park Heritage Trust, a non-profit community organization.

Editors: Carmela Gomes
Rebecca Schiffman
Layout: Future Studio
Distribution: Robert Mactavish
and Marcia Gurrola

Email articles to: Info@hpht.org

Mail to:
HPHT
P.O. Box 50894
Los Angeles, CA 90050-0894

HPHT message line: (818) 429-8755
www.hpht.org

Find us on FACEBOOK

Advertisement Policy:

Advertisements will be accepted for this publication from advertisers who are in keeping with the intention and goals of this organization. Contact Charly Kemp for submission info and rates.

Do you have a historic home or preservation story you want to publicize? Please contribute articles, photos and anecdotes to HPHT. Email to info@hpht.org.

Announcing New Walking Tour: Figueroa Street Corridor

FROM THE WALKING TOUR COMMITTEE

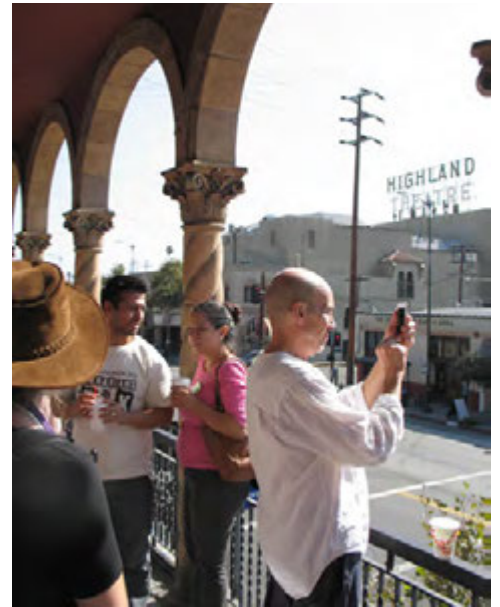
Highland Park Heritage Trust is pleased to announce that we will be adding a new, regular walking tour to our line up in addition to our celebrated Sycamore Grove Walking Tour.

Starting this Spring we will offer a tour of the many wonderful historic commercial structures found on the Figueroa Street Corridor, including the Highland Theater, The Masonic Hall, The Highland Bowl, Centro Arte de Publico, an influential Chicano arts collective, Millard Sheets Home Savings and Loan (now Chase Bank), the Iconic Chicken Boy, Route 66 and many others.

Moving forward HPHT will offer both the new Figueroa Street Corridor walking tour and our Sycamore Grove Walking Tour two times a year each. Bring your family and friends! Spread the word! Both tours are convenient to the Goldline Highland Park Station- Take Metro!

Save the dates:

- Feb 24 Sycamore Grove Walking Tour
- April 21 Figueroa Corridor Walking Tour
- June 23 Sycamore Grove Walking Tour
- Sept 15 Figueroa Corridor Walking Tour with Pub Crawl
- Oct 27 Sycamore Grove Walking Tour



View from the newly-restored and opened Lodge Room/Checker Hall (Masonic Hall)



Earlier this month, HPHT chipped in to help our favorite Figueroa Corridor walking tour partner aka the iconic Chicken Boy rid his sidewalks of Gum! Board members JJ Jackman and Eric Magallon, pictured here with other volunteers scrubbing and scraping! (Photos by LA Office of Community Beautification & Al Strange)



AVENUE 50 STUDIO
is a proud sponsor of the
Highland Park Sycamore Grove Walking Tour

character PROJECTS

Jonathan Silberman

Design, Vintage Lighting & Hardware,
and Real Estate for Historic Homes in Los Angeles

characterprojects@gmail.com • 818-599-5568
characterprojects.com

BRE# 01491001

Highland Park Heritage Trust - 35th Anniversary Historic Home Tour, Gala & Artisan Fair at the Abbey San Encino

**Sunday, March 18, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
6211 Arroyo Glen Street in Historic Highland Park**

10am • Event begins, Coffee and pastries served.

10:30am - 3pm • Artisan Fair, Live Events, and Silent Auction

10:30am - 3pm • Abbey tours every half hour • Tour tickets are limited

3pm - 5pm • Closing Reception

Live Musical entertainment • Special 35th anniversary presentation

Silent auction winners will be announced

Highland Park Heritage Trust (HPHT) presents a rare opportunity to tour the historic Abbey San Encino and Gardens. An exciting day long ticketed event that celebrates Arroyo Culture will include docent led Home Tours, Artisan Fair featuring locally made art and items, Gala with live music, wine and cheese and a silent auction fundraiser.

The docent led home tour of the Abbey will include the historic printing studio and celebrated Judson Studios stained glass window, the Abbey replica and basement "Dungeon." The Abbey San Encino is a highly unique structure built of local Arroyo stone that is as much a testament to its builder & the Arroyo Seco Culture as it is a home. The property is still owned and occupied by descendants of Clyde Browne.

TICKETS are \$40

for the Home Tour with Artisan Fair, Gala and Silent Auction

Tickets are \$20 for the Artisan Fair, Gala and Silent Auction Only

Tours are every half hour beginning at 10:30 a.m. Last tour is 3:00 p.m.

Ticket price includes a timed tour of the historic home plus access to the Artisan Fair, Gala and Silent Auction.

Tour Tickets are limited.

Visit www.hpht.org to purchase tickets or call 323-908-4127.



Highland Park Heritage Trust - 35th Anniversary Artisan Fair, Gala and Silent Auction

**Sunday, March 18, 2018
10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



**Tickets for the Fair, Gala & Auction Only
can be purchased online or at the door.**

Activities in the Artisan Fair include local artists' booths featuring

- **live performance painting by artist Roderick Smith**
- **live forging demonstrations by Adam's Forge with blacksmith Heather McLarty**
- **the Glass Studio's Cathi Milligan**
- **locally-made gourmet items by Jenkins Jellies**
- **vintage light fixtures by Character Projects**
- **presentations on Arroyo Seco culture by historian Charles Fisher**
- **live music by talented local artists**

Check hpht.org for latest list.

All proceeds go to support the continuation of HPHT's mission to preserve the heritage of Los Angeles's Arroyo Seco communities through education, advocacy and preservation projects for the benefit of present and future generations. HPHT is a 501 c (3) non-profit www.hpht.org



Proposed SB 827 - What is it all about?

The Heritage Trust and many of our sister Historic Preservation Non-Profits in Los Angeles and State wide are monitoring and responding to the recent State Bill 827 sponsored by CA State Senator Scott Weiner, District 11 San Francisco. The Bill is also known as “Planning and Zoning: Transit Rich Housing.” Simply put, the Bill is described as a reaction to our State’s housing crisis and proposes to increase housing height and density along bus and subway lines via up-zoning properties along transit corridors. Furthermore, the Bill states, “The bill would exempt a project awarded a housing opportunity bonus from various requirements, including maximum controls on residential density or floor area ratio, minimum automobile parking requirements, design standards that restrict the applicant’s ability to construct the maximum number of units consistent with any applicable building code, and maximum height limitations, as provided.”

The Bill, which has yet many future iterations, is of

real concern to Preservationists. SB 827 in its first draft appears to be a top-down planning initiative that would seek to minimize the will of local communities and would give developers more control; the Bill makes no reference to CEQA, our state law that protects Historic Resources; and SB 827 would possibly exempt developers from design standards that would restrict density. All of these proposed changes would run counter to the protections instituted by our HPOZ and Highland Park Heritage Trust’s 35 years of preservation advocacy and achievements.

Stay tuned and stay vigilant! HPHT will be working with our sister organizations to craft a coordinated response to the proposed SB 827. We will reach out to all of our members soon.

In the meantime, we would like to hear from you on SB 827... Please forward your comments and concerns to info@hpht.org.

New HPHT Board Members 2018

Alexandra Madsen is an enthusiastic new board member. Ms. Madsen resides in Highland Park and works as an Architectural Historian in Pasadena. Ms. Madsen received her M.A. in Art History from the University of Texas at Austin in 2016 where she specialized in ancient Mesoamerican architecture, art, and archaeology. As an undergraduate at Saint Anselm College, Ms. Madsen majored in history with minors in Spanish and Classical Archaeology. Ms. Madsen is an avid hiker and loves to enjoy all the treats that Figueroa has to offer!



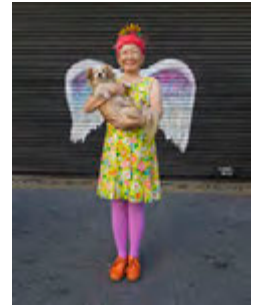
Keiko Takioto Miller is retired as Professor Emeritus of World Languages and Cultures at Mercyhurst University in Pennsylvania where she also served as environmental and intercultural activist. A native of Japan, she finds herself most authentic when working from a dynamic threshold between nature and culture, especially when such a place as the Arroyo Seco community displays itself as a complex concurrence of diverse natural and cultural elements. As a recent arrival in LA, she is finding HPHT a welcoming niche to serve as a community volunteer.



Amy Inouye, HPHT Member, is this year's Noisemaker

Lummi Day Community Foundation has announced they will be presenting their 2018 "Noisemaker Award" to artist and activist Amy Inouye at the Annual Benefit and Award Dinner, Saturday, April 7, at the Highland Park Ebell Club.

The April 7 fundraiser will feature a buffet dinner provided by many of Northeast L.A.'s favorite restaurants, beer, wine and soft drinks. A silent auction will offer the chance to bid on art, books, vintage wines and rare collectibles at bargain prices. Entertainment will include a performance by Lummi Days veterans, The Andersons. Event tickets, priced at \$50, are available on the Lummi Day website, www.LummiDay.org, at Galco's Old World Grocery and at Las Cazuelas in Highland Park. Dinner, beer, wine and soft drinks are included with admission. All proceeds from the event support the Lummi Days Festival, June 1, 2, and 3, the only arts festival that represents all of Northeast L.A. (Photo by Gary Leonard)



TELES



PROPERTIES

California Real Estate #01048877
California Real Estate #01834633

TRACY KING & KEELY MYRES

626.827.9795 | LADigs.com



Interesting Homes for Interesting People

Highland Park Heritage Trust—Membership Registration/Renewal

You may join or renew online at www.hpht.org or by sending your tax deductible check to:
Highland Park Heritage Trust • Attn: Membership • PO Box 50894 • Los Angeles CA 90050-0894

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Couple \$30
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$20
<input type="checkbox"/> Student \$5
<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor \$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor (\$51 to \$150) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Angel (over \$150) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> New Member
My preference for contact: <input type="checkbox"/> Phone <input type="checkbox"/> Email
I prefer to receive the <i>Cornerstone</i> Newsletter by <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Email
<input type="checkbox"/> My employer or my spouse's employer matches gifts to non-profits. HPHT is a 501c3 Non-Profit Corporation, Tax ID #95-4034485
<input type="checkbox"/> Please contact me about creating an endowment |
|--|--|

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

I am interested in working on the following activities:

- Walking Tours: Docent Reception Archiving Awards Ceremony Mailing Assistance
 Oral History Email Fund Raising Marketing & Publicity Restoration Workshops
 Cornerstone Articles School & Education Programs Membership Events



PO Box 50894
Los Angeles CA 90050-0894
www.hpht.org

Address Correction Requested

IN THIS ISSUE:

- ★ 35th Anniversary Tour & Gala
- ★ HPHT's Big Year Ahead
- ★ New Walking Tours

follow **highland park heritage trust** on **facebook**

Sunday, March 18, 2018, Abbey San Encino Tour and Gala. For tickets, www.hpht.org info@hpht.org, (323) 908-4217. *See pages 4-5 in this issue*

2nd Monday, Monthly HPHT Board and Program Meetings, 7 to 8:30 pm + Ebell Club, 131 S. Avenue 57, Highland Park, www.hpht.org or (323) 908-4127

Walking Tours, info@hpht.org or (323) 908-4127, April 21: Figueroa Corridor Walking Tour. *See page 3 in this issue*

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:00 pm + Highland Park/Garanza HPOZ, Arroyo Seco Library Community Room, 6145 N. Figueroa St., Highland Park

Saturday, April 7, 13th Annual Lummis Day Noisemaker Dinner and Fundraiser, Ebell Club, 6:30 to 10:00PM, Information (818) 429-8755, for tickets www.lummisday.org/noisemaker. *See page 7 in this issue*

Sunday, May 6, 1:00 to 3:00PM, HPHT Bi-Annual Community Awards, in the historic Masonic Lodge, Checker Hall Lodge Room, 104 N. Avenue 56, at the corner of N. Figueroa Street. info@hpht.org (323) 908-4217

Save the date: Lummis Days 13, the Festival of Northeast LA, June 1,2,3 + www.lummisday.org (323) 344-9955