

Activities Report from Cultural Arts Office, September 13, 2012

The U.K. Beat Concert in the Park



The band played on last Sunday at Bonita Canyon Sports Park to about 700 loyal music lovers and dancers of all ages.

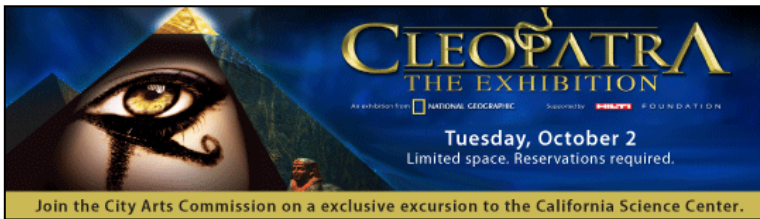
The audience filled the park and lined the hillsides for the final concert in the *Concerts in the Parks Series*, hosted by the City Arts Commission for the 13th year.

Revivalist band, The U.K. Beat rocked the park with music by best-loved British bands of the era including The Beatles, Rolling Stones, The Who, The Kinks, The Animals, The Yardbirds, The Hollies and more.

Attendance was way up at each of the Arts Commission's events held in Newport Beach this summer, including Jazz and Irish bands in June/July...and Shakespeare in the Park, which brought in about 3000 people over the July 7 weekend. These free cultural opportunities would not be possible without the excellent assistance of parks staff and Eric Foley in Recreation who assists with maintenance before and after each event. This year, we were fortunate to also have the presence of the volunteer Police Department who assist with parking, directions and any questions that may come up.



Museum Tour October 2



The City Arts Commission is hosting another museum tour this fall to the California Science Center to see "Cleopatra, the Exhibition". The motor coach excursion will also include lunch and a screening of the IMAX film currently on display. There are preregistration forms

available for each individual attending which can be found on the City website under Departments/Cultural Arts/Museum Tours; registration forms may also be found at all NB branch libraries.

Library Music Series Starting September 9

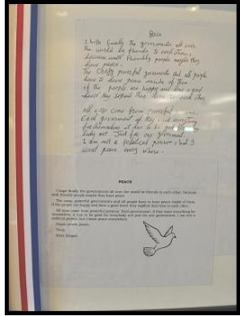
The NB Public Library's Sunday Musicales series will begin on September 9 with a talented trio of musicians. Triple Entendre explores the wondrous regions of classical sounds through its own unique perspectives.

Flutist Lisa Yamamoto, pianist Kevin Garnica and oboist Jonathan Marzluf have a wide repertoire of works from which to pull, including pieces by noted composers such as Arnold, Loiellet, Dring, Holst, Gaubert and Still. Come out and enjoy a wonderful afternoon of music from these impressive performers ready to take you on a journey through classical rhythms.



Welcome Caroline Logan!

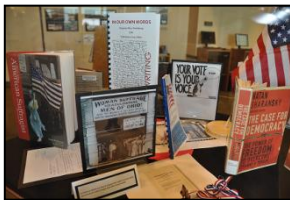
At their regular meeting on September 13, the City Arts Commission will welcome newest commissioner, Caroline Logan to the group. Caroline has lived in Newport Beach for many years, has an accomplished education, and history of arts involvement. As a matter of fact, she has recently returned from Russia where she had the chance to visit the Hermitage Museum. Caroline has already signed up, with husband Hugh, to visit the Cleopatra Exhibition with fellow commissioners and the public in October.



“On Living in America”

Last April, the Newport Beach Public Library launched a program called *Searching for Democracy*. The program, made possible through a grant from the California Council for Humanities (and matched by the Newport Beach Library Foundation) allowed for the community read of “The Penguin Guide to the United States Constitution” by Dr. Richard Beeman, ancillary lectures, teen public service announcements, children’s art, music and displays related to the theme of democracy.

The Newport Beach Public Library’s Literacy Division adds a special perspective on being an American. Many of the learners in the program have elected to come to the United States by choice and are involved in obtaining their citizenship. These unique viewpoints are illustrated in a book called “In Our Own Words”, a collection of stories, essays and poems written by the learners of the program.



The Literacy Division is dedicating a special section in the book for learner writings with the theme *On Living in America*. Several of these writings have been framed and will be displayed for several months at Central Library. Additionally, the program concludes with a display of books and historical documents on the history of the United States, including the right to vote.

Library Sunday Musicale with “Triple Entendre”

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Cleopatra on October 2

The City Arts Commission’s tour to the California Science Center is about 60 percent filled. The museum tour this fall will visit “Cleopatra, the Exhibition” and includes a docent-led tour, catered lunch and group screening of the IMAX film “Mysteries of Egypt”.

Cultural Arts and Arts Commission Meetings & Events Calendar, 2012

2012 Arts Commission Meetings:

~~January 12, February 9, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13,~~
October 11, November 8, December 13.

Programs and Events:

2012

Central Library Exhibitions (Literacy Learner Essays)	Through 2012
<i>Searching for Democracy</i> Cabinet Displays	Through 2012
City Hall Exhibit (Lenahan collection)	Until Move to Civic Center

Cultural Arts Grants

Cultural Arts Grant Completion Report due	09/28/12
Grant funds must have been spent or encumbered	09/28/12
Museum Tour: 'Cleopatra', California Science Center	10/2/12

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Museum Tour: 'Van Gogh' Self Portrait on Loan, Norton Simon	2/21/13
Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale (Oasis)	4/13/12 (set-up 4/12/12 after 4)

Cultural Arts staff will also be working on these classical music events for the NBPL/Friends of NBPL:

Sunday Musicales and Family Concerts

Sundays:

September 9 – Triple Entendre, Chamber Music
October 7 – Joseph Yashar, Virtuoso Guitar
November 18 – Kate Loughrey, Harpist
January 13 – Krechkovsky/Loucks Duo, Violin and Piano
February 10 – Charged Particles, Electric Jazz
March 10 – Natur Early Music Ensemble, Classical, Historical

Saturdays:

September 22 – Harp for Little Hearts
October 20 – Southland Opera