

Cultural Arts Staff Activity Report for June 13, 2013 City Arts Commission Meeting

Imagination Celebration:

The theme of this year's Imagination Celebration, *Fireflies & Honey Bees*, was based on a wonderful collection of original poems and watercolor illustrations by local artist/writer Chip Fesko. The program, narrated by the lovely English Actress, Eila Ulyett, was attended by 29 adults and 32 children. Everything came together very smoothly for the event. Chip and Eila were happy with the performance, and the feedback from the audience was overwhelmingly positive. The adults appreciated the humor in the poems, and the kids appreciated that the performer took the time to speak to them personally and answer their questions during the reading. Some of the parents wanted to know where they could buy the book and the author brought a handout on how to purchase and download his book from iTunes. At the conclusion, Library staff handed out firefly craft kits for the children to take home.

Concerts In The Park:

The 2013 Newport Beach Concerts in the Park will be held in the new Civic Center Green. This year's lineup includes Hollywood U2 on June 30, Springsteen on July 28, and Upstream on August 11. All three bands were contacted regarding the change in venue, with instructions for them to change the listings on their websites. The Library issued press release to media regarding change of venue. Katherine Mielke completed print rack cards advertising the concerts and Shakespeare in the Park. She also created 3 x 8 banners for the concerts and Shakespeare. The banner schedule is as follows:

- June 17-July 1: Mariners Fire Station
- June 17-July 1: Marguerite/PCH median
- July 22-July 29: Marguerite/PCH median
- July 22-July 29: Mariners Fire Station
- July 29-August 11: Mariners Fire Station
- July 29-August 11: Marguerite/PCH median

The Library notified the stage contractor and sound equipment personnel of change in venue, and notified Alliant Insurance about change in venue. Because of the change in venue, an electrical generator and portable toilets are not required for the concerts. The bands will be provided with instructions for regarding entry and egress from the Civic Center complex.

Cultural Arts and Arts Commission Meetings & Events Calendar, 2013

2013 Arts Commission Meetings:

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

Programs and Events:

Central Library Exhibition

May 1, 2013 - April 30, 2014

Mark Hilbert Collection (3 paintings every four months)

Reception Date?

Central Library Display Cabs (Paperweights)

Until July 31

Concerts in the Parks

Sunday, June 30 – *Hollywood U2*
Civic Center Green, 6-7:30pm

Sunday, July 28 – *Springsteen! Tribute*
Civic Center Green, 6-7:30pm

Sunday, August 11 – *Upstream*
Civic Center Green
6-7:30pm

Shakespeare in the Park

Saturday, July 20 - “King John”
Bonita Canyon Sports Park – Fld 3, 6:45 – 9:30pm

Sunday, July 21 – “All’s Well that Ends Well”
Bonita Canyon Sports Park – Fld 3, 6:45- 9:30pm

Library Cultural Arts Events:

Imagination Celebration – Poetry Reading
“Fireflies and Honey Bees”

Saturday, May 18, 11am - 12pm

Sunday Musicales:

September 8 – LA Opera

October 6

November 17

December 8

January 12, 2014

February 9

March 9 – Trio Celeste (violin, cello, piano)