The Inherent Magic of Newport Beach

'Inherent Magic'

The purpose of The Arts Commission project, <u>Sculpture in the Park Invitational</u>, is to celebrate our new Civic Center (and its mission of Leed Gold) by using art to inspire the observer to look at our inherent environment in a different way. We will be exhibiting loaned, high level sculpture for a period of two years in our new park, to celebrate the essential, innate magic of Newport Beach -- to observe its joy, wind, sound, summer, surf, fog, energy, history, maturity and culture, and aesthetic sophistication. These are permanent elements that can be expressed in art--traditionally, abstractly or innovatively and that thrill, delight and amaze. We wish the observer to reflect on the depth of what is here and how special, unrepeatable and irreplaceable it is. Art has the great power to set us on our heels and show us our very own Inherent Magic and what Newport Beach is all about.