

Established by charter in 1932, the San Francisco Arts Commission (SFAC) is the City agency that champions the arts. We believe that a creative cultural environment is essential to the city's well-being and we strive to integrate the arts into all aspects of city life. Our programs **enhance the urban landscape with visual arts; invest in communities through creativity;** and provide **capacity building and educational support** through the following programs: Civic Art Collection, Civic Design Review, Community Arts & Education, Cultural Equity Grants, Public Art, SFAC Galleries and Street Artist Licensing. To learn more visit sfartscommission.org.

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San Francisco is home to a remarkable Civic Art Collection. Comprised of over 4,000 objects worth in excess of \$93 million, the Collection includes such treasures as the Coit Tower murals, sculptures by Beniamino Bufano, Lotta's Fountain and hundreds of contemporary artworks commissioned through the Public Art Program. ArtCare provides a vehicle for the public to help support the ongoing care and maintenance of this one-of-a-kind collection for future generations. Visit sfartscommission.org/artcare to learn more or to make a donation.



Keith Haring, *Untitled (Three Dancing Figures)*, 1989.

Arts and culture-inspired tourism contributes \$1.7 billion to the local economy.

— Research prepared for the San Francisco Travel Association by Destination Analysts, Inc.

In the City and County of San Francisco, arts and culture organizations support approximately 19,744 full-time equivalent jobs and \$508.9 million in household income to local residents.

— 2012 Arts & Economic Prosperity Report

Creative Placemaking

With \$70,000 in percent-for-art funds generated by the renovations at **Sunset Playground**, the SFAC's **Public Art Program** commissioned artist **Bryan Tedrick** to create a series of colored stainless steel sculptural installations, titled *Pacific Breath*, for the top of the fence and entrance to the park. The sculpture was inspired by the elements and evokes the winds and waves of the city's coastline.



Photo: Bruce Damonte

Supporting Arts in Your Neighborhood

Funding provided by the SFAC's Cultural Equity Grants Program awards project-based grants to San Francisco arts organizations and individual artists. The artists and/or projects listed are either based in or performed in District Four.

\$11,250 will support **ArtSpan's** (artspan.org) guide to the 2013 SF Open Studios and corresponding Open Studios exhibition.

\$25,000 will support **Melody of China, Inc.** (melodyofchina.com) in an organizational development initiative aimed at increasing capacity to sustain its current work and lay the basis for future growth and stability during its 20th Anniversary season.

Pireni Sundaralingam (wordandviolin.com) was granted \$10,000 for "Unseen City," a series of poems calling attention to the overlooked aspects of the city's physical spaces.

StageWrite (stagewrite.org) received a \$25,000 grant to support its partnership with Starr King and Grattan elementary schools to implement a new curriculum and model program that will give autistic students opportunities to engage in classroom drama residencies.

The **Sunset District Neighborhood Coalition** was awarded \$3,000 for the 19th Sunset Community Festival in September 2013.



StageWrite



ArtSpan reception. Photo: Peter Gray/Grayviews Photography