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San Francisco's Cultural Districts!

What is the San Francisco Cultural Districts Program?

San Francisco's Cultural Districts are places distinguished by unique social and historical associations with historically marginalized cultural groups. While they have physical boundaries and significant spaces, the districts are primarily identified by the people who live, work and play there and the activities that occur within them, including commerce, services, arts, events, and social practices.

The program intends to enable the associated residents, businesses, non-profits, community arts and educational institutions to live, work and prosper within the city. Each Cultural District is led by a community-based group with an executive director, an advisory body, plus robust community engagement.

In this quarterly newsletter, expect community program updates, special events, as

well as job and volunteer opportunities offered by the Cultural Districts!

Cultural Districts as of Winter 2021 include:

Japantown Cultural District

Calle 24 Latino Cultural District (site under construction)

SoMa Pilipinas – Filipino Cultural District

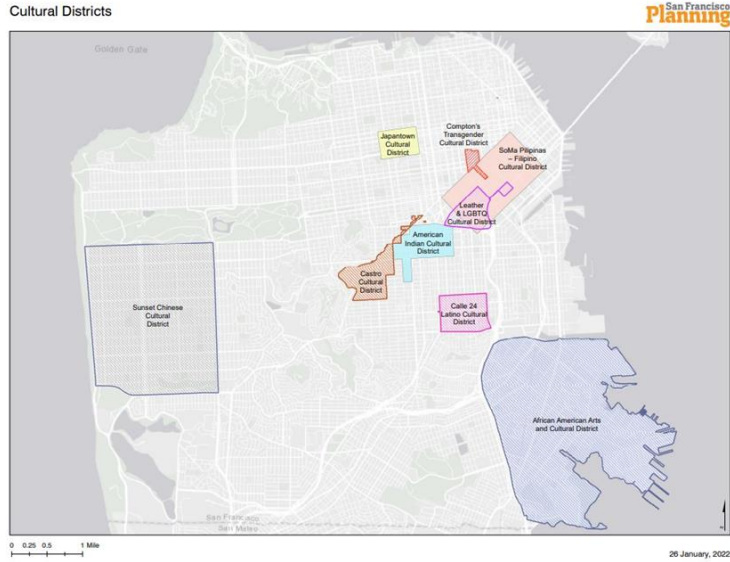
Transgender Cultural District

LEATHER & LGBTQ Cultural District

African American Arts & Cultural District

Castro LGBTQ Cultural District

American Indian Cultural District



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Community & Program Updates



Business Incubator Program

In 2022, LEATHER is launching a business incubator program for entrepreneurs planning to open ventures in the District. We will be initiating much-needed repairs and improvements to the Ringold Leather History Alley, an important memorial to significant individuals and businesses in the Leather community's history. Ringold Alley will be a key stop in our self-guided walking tour currently in development. [Click here for additional information!](#)



Castro COVID-19 Testing & Vaccine Hub

The Castro LGBTQ COVID-19 Testing and Vaccine Hub returns on January 8th and every Saturday through the end of February. Hubs are very likely to continue in March through the rest of winter (this need will be assessed in February).

The hub is in the Collingwood Parking Lot -4116 18th St, San Francisco, CA 94114 lot behind Walgreens in the Castro, 11am-4:30pm every Saturday. **All vaccines provided!**





Addressing Health Disparity in American Indian Communities

As of 1/4/22, San Francisco Health Commission passed Resolution 21- 03 Addressing the Health Disparities of Local American Indian Communities. This Resolution was drafted by the American Indian Cultural District and Department of Health (DPH) in partnership with FHAAI, NAHC, ARO, CCUIH, and AICC to address the concerns around American Indian data, health disparities, and encourage meaningful partnerships with American Indian organizations.



KOHO Creative Hub

Japantown Cultural District is proud to announce the launch of KOHO, a versatile creative hub in development by the Japantown Cultural District, for and by artists & creators, located in the heart of Japantown, San Francisco! Celebrating the ever evolving creative spirit of our Japanese + Japanese American communities, KOHO's 2022 vision consists of Space Activations, Workshops, Pop Ups, Professional

Development, Art Exhibits, and amazing Events.
It takes people power to make this happen.



Get involved! 📧 Sign up to receive updates about our openings and future programming & more.
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Upcoming Special Events!

Acts of Kindness!



February 2022, Calle 24 will be celebrating "Valentine's Day: Acts of Kindness in the Community."



March 2022, Calle 24 will be celebrating the International Women's Day. Calle 24 will be honoring the women who have been leading and supporting the community to get through the pandemic. *Location, date, and time to be determined.*

For additional information email info@calle24sf.org.





SOMA Second Saturdays!

The LEATHER District will be continuing their popular SOMA Second Saturdays! as indoor events, with a Game Day on February 12 and a Movie Day on March 12 from noon to 5 pm. Folsom Street Community Center, 145 9th Street.

For additional information Contact Cal Callahan at manager@sflcd.org



Black History Month in Bayview!

The African American Arts and Cultural District will be hosting a series of events to commemorate Black History Month in February 2022.

February 11, 2022 6pm-10pm: February Black History Month Fashion Show/ Art Exhibit
Bayview Opera House- 4705 3rd St, San Francisco, CA 94124

February 19, 2022: Black History Celebration In the Park at Gillman Park- 903 Gilman Ave, San Francisco, CA 94124

March 12, 2022, SFAACD will be hosting the Community Picture Parties and Photoshoot! They are seeking photos of and about black people. Parties will include: food & interview stations. Bring your photos past & present, we will photocopy your images for a collection of images and community murals (locations TBD).

March 19, 2022, Harambee Block Party: SFAAACD are encouraging Community residents & members participate in planning and hosting Community-based Block Parties!



Volunteer & Career Opportunities



Join the Native American Community Coalition!

Please join *AICD's Native American Community Coalition* in partnership with Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy to volunteer for Indigenous planting at Black Point Gardens.

The volunteer days are as follows: Saturday, January 8, 2022 from 10:00am-1:00pm & January 22, 2022 from 10:00am-1:00pm at Black Point, 2 Fort Mason 11, San Francisco, CA 94123.

For additional information contact Paloma Flores palomaf@americanindianculturaldistrict.org

Open Executive Assistant Position

American Indian Cultural District is hiring for an Executive Assistant role. Don't miss an opportunity to be part of a small but mighty team dedicated to elevating, recognizing and honoring American Indian people, history and culture in San Francisco.

The application closes 1/25/22. For more information and to apply visit: <https://bit.ly/32QopLY>

If you have any questions, please send them to general@americanindianculturaldistrict.org.



Join a Committee with Castro LGBTQ Cultural District!

The Castro LGBTQ Cultural District seeks volunteers to join our *Land Use Committee* to ensure that buildings in development are reviewed to assess potential negative impact on LGBTQ renters, small businesses, and visitors to the Castro neighborhood. People with experience reviewing Planning Department notices are especially welcome.

Castro is also looking for volunteers to help launch our Arts and Culture Committee — especially lesbians & queer women, transgender individuals, and people of color.

Please email contact@castro-lgbtq.org if you are interested in supporting this launch in early 2022.



Fashion Show Volunteers Needed!

SFAAACD will be hosting the February Black History Month Fashion Show/ Art Exhibit on Friday, February 11, 2022 6pm-10pm. It will be held at the Bayview Opera House.

Volunteers are needed for event set-up/ break-down, clean-up, registration, and vendor support.



Volunteer with Calle24!

During January and February, Calle24 will be looking for volunteers for our outreach program for the vaccine site. The vaccine site is located on 24th St and Capp.

In March, Calle24 will be celebrating international women’s day, and will be looking for volunteers to help with before and during the event. The event will be held at the Calle 24 Corridor.

For additional information email info@calle24sf.org.



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