

“Breaking Out of the Box” Art Exhibition

Winning entries of “Breaking Out of the Box” juried competition will be on display at Santa Clara City Hall from April 2014 through September 2014. A box show is open to a wide variety of interpretations; the possibilities are endless in the mind of the artist. The exhibit will also be featured in a “virtual” exhibition on the City’s website and cable television channel.

The exhibition is sponsored by the City of Santa Clara and its Cultural Commission. For more information, contact City Manager’s Office at 408-615-2210.

Take a Virtual Tour of Public Art, Historic Homes and Parks:

Virtual tours of some of Santa Clara’s most unique features—public art, historic homes and parks—are now available on the City’s website.

Each of the three categories is presented in an online storyboard that includes photos, maps, and descriptions. The three storyboards can be accessed through the following links:

santaclaraca.gov/parksandpools,
santaclaraca.gov/artinsantaclaraca, or
santaclaraca.gov/historicproperties.

Take some time to virtually visit a park, “stroll” around the Old Quad and view historic homes or discover one of the many pieces of public art. If you have comments about the new feature, please contact webmanager@santaclaraca.gov.

Register to Vote!

Voting is a way to speak your mind and let your voice be heard. When we vote, we are actually telling our elected officials how we feel about important issues. Voting is our chance to make a difference in our own lives and for the generations to follow. Primary elections will be held June 3, 2014. Registration deadline is May 19, 2014. Get registered to vote! Call 408-299-VOTE (8683) or visit registertovoteca.gov.

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EASTER EGG HUNT

Central Park, Sat., April 19, 2014

On your mark... get set... go! The annual Easter Egg Hunt in Central Park will be held



on Saturday, April 19th. This year will mark 40 years of this wonderful family-friendly tradition. The hunt is scheduled, rain or shine, and will begin promptly at 10 a.m. Parking is limited and you are encouraged to arrive early to take part in the pre-hunt activities which will begin at 9 a.m. Divisions include ages 2 and under, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 and special needs. For a nominal fee, families will have the opportunity to participate in face painting by the Roberta Jones Junior Theatre group and there will be a concession booth with tasty morning snacks for sale. Don’t forget your Easter basket to place your candy in! This popular event is sponsored by the Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Department, with support from a variety of local community groups. Call 408-615-3140 for more info.

Arbor Day/Earth Day

The City of Santa Clara will hold an official Arbor Day/Earth Day celebration on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 10 a.m. on Triton Museum grounds at 1505 Warburton Avenue. The City of Santa Clara will be presented with its 27th Tree City U.S.A. Award from the National Arbor Day Foundation. Please join members of the City Council, the Parks & Recreation Commission, City staff, students from local schools and others. This celebration of our new expanded program will include guest speakers, local environmental agencies, information on tree care and actions you can take to help protect the earth and beautify our community. For more information, call 408-615-3080.

Household Hazardous Waste Program

The Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Program will conduct a Household Hazardous Waste drop-off event in Santa Clara on April 26, 2014. Other drop-off events are scheduled throughout the County during the year. Call 408-299-7300 or go to hhw.org to make an appointment to attend any of the household hazardous waste drop-off events. Items that can be disposed of at the drop-off include household chemicals and cleaners, pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, paint products, propane, car and household batteries, fluorescent bulbs and tubes, solvents, waste oil, automotive products, and Sharps containers. Medication, ammunition, explosives, radioactive materials and containers larger than five gallons will not be accepted. Contact the Police Department at 408-615-4700 regarding disposal of medications, ammunition or explosives.

Residential Street Sweeping

The City sweeps residential streets clean on a minimum schedule of every other week, but often weekly. Street sweeping is scheduled the day after the regularly scheduled single-family solid waste collection. If the solid waste collection day is on Friday, the street sweeping day is Monday.

Residents are requested to not park on the street of the assigned street sweeping day, so that sweepers can reach the curb. Leaves raked from your yard and other yard waste should not be piled on the street, swept into the gutter or block the storm drain. Sweepers are not designed to pick up large piles of leaves from the street or gutter. Instead, place all green waste into your wheeled Clean Green cart for weekly collection.

Residents in multi-family complexes without Clean Green services who are not sure of what day their streets are swept or for questions regarding street sweeping contact the Street Department at 408-615-3080.

Book and bag donations needed

Donate gently used books, DVDs, VHS tapes, and CDs to the Santa Clara City Library Foundation & Friends. The sale helps generate funds to support library programs. Donations are tax deductible.

Paper and plastic bags for bagging books can also be donated. Please bring all donations to the Santa Clara City Library Friends Bookstore at the Central Park Library during business hours.

Genealogy Collection one of Largest in the Region:

One of the most extensive collections of genealogy (the study of family history) materials in the region is contained in the Heritage Pavilion of the Central Park Library.

In addition to maintaining these resources helpful to anyone trying to trace the history of family members, the Library partners with the Santa Clara County Historical and Genealogical Society to offer a wide variety of classes and training on how to find records and chart family relationships.

The materials are also of interest to anyone who would like to learn more about local and state history. Call 408-615-2909 for details.

Support the Library as a Volunteer: More than 250 residents volunteer about 15,000 hours each year at the Santa Clara City Library—but there is always a need for more.

Volunteer opportunities include delivering books and other library materials to homebound residents, sorting materials on carts, shelving books and videos, and straightening shelves. Individuals who have some experience with family history research are needed to help beginning genealogists locate materials in the Library's Heritage Pavilion collection. For more information on how to become a volunteer, call 408-615-2919.