



Mayor Mark Farrell  
Phil Ginsburg, General Manager

**Date** February 1, 2018

**To:** Recreation and Park Commission  
Operations Committee

**Through:** Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager

**From:** Dana Ketcham, Director of Property and Permits and Reservations

**Subject:** Patricia's Green in Hayes Valley – Art Installation 2019-20

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### **Agenda Wording**

Discussion and possible action to approve a request from the San Francisco Arts Commission to place a temporary art installation of a sculpture entitled “Tara” by artist Dana Albany in Patricia’s Green from February 2019 through February 2020.

### **Strategic Plan**

**Objective: 1.2:** Strengthen the quality of existing Parks & Facilities

### **Background**

Patricia’s Green in Hayes Valley has had a series of art exhibits in it since it was reopened and they have become a draw for the community and a centerpiece of the park. Each exhibit has been installed for approximately one year.

The San Francisco Arts Commission is seeking approval for a new exhibit starting in 2019. The installation is a sculpture entitled “Tara” by artist Dana Albany and would be installed from February 2019 through February 2020. Tara is 14 feet tall and with the pedestal would stand 17 feet tall. Tara is a representation of the female Buddha and retains an intimate nature. The sculpture is made up of 90% recycled materials collected from local San Francisco businesses that once existed in the city. Tara is lit from within by a custom-built chandelier. See Exhibit A for a rendering of the installation.

A structural engineer will confirm that the sculpture is structurally stable in terms of wind resistance and seismic forces.



The Visual Arts Committee of the Arts Commission and the full Arts Commission have approved this installation.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve

**Opposed By:** No known opposition

**Attachments:** Exhibit A- Rendering of “Tara”

Exhibit A  
Tara by Dana Albany

