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San Francisco General Hospital Foundation announces artists selected for 2017 'Hearts in San Francisco' public art series

32 Bay Area-Based Artists are now working on brand new heart-artworks

SAN FRANCISCO (August 24, 2016) – [San Francisco General Hospital Foundation](#) (the Foundation) Chief Executive Officer Amanda Heier announced today that the Foundation selected 32 San Francisco Bay Area artists for the annual 'Hearts in San Francisco' project and public art series. For the 2017 series, the Foundation will feature designs by up-and-coming and established local artists, as well as acclaimed artists whose artwork is featured in the new **Priscilla Chan and Mark Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center**.

For the first time ever, artists participating in the "Hearts in San Francisco" series will be sharing the progress of their heart designs on social media. Followers far and near can track the progress of the newest additions to one of San Francisco's most recognized public art series by exploring the hashtag [#HeartsInSF](#) and by following San Francisco General Hospital Foundation's [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#). The Foundation will be sharing images from the artists throughout their process. The completed heart designs will all be revealed December 2016 and will be featured at the **Heroes & Hearts luncheon** at AT&T Park on **Thursday, February 16, 2017**. Select large hearts have the opportunity to be displayed in San Francisco's Union Square beginning in February 2017 through October 2017.

The artists that have been selected to create the six large hearts (5' tall x 6' wide x 40" deep) are Shannon Amidon, John Bonick, Elaine Coombs, Anthony Hall, Alfred White and Pop Zhao. The artists that will be creating the six table top hearts (16" tall x 17" wide x 8" deep) are Wendy Arbeit, Tom Bolles, Naomi Duben, Charles Gadeken, Amanda Sammann and Masha Schultz. There will also be 20 artists designing mini heart-artworks with mosaics (7" tall x 6" wide x 2" deep); those artists are: Deborah Block, Randina Casenza, Robyn Spencer Compton, Ilse Cordoni, Rachel Greenberg, Elizabeth Grindon, Dmitry Grudsky, MyXuan Ho, Kathy Law, Wenia Lee, Amy Neiman, Edith Ng, Jill Stevenson-Ritter, Catherine Ryan, Vaishali Sanghavi, Barbara Schlein, Carla Trujilo, Ann Watters, Amelia Williams and Wesley Wong.

In February 2017, the hearts will be auctioned, with proceeds benefiting life-enhancing programs and initiatives at Zuckerberg San Francisco General, the Heart of our City. 'Hearts in San Francisco' artworks combined with Heroes & Hearts and Hearts After Dark proceeds (2004 - 2016) have raised more than

\$15 million for the Foundation and programs including the Avon Comprehensive Breast Care Center, Children's Health Center, HIV/AIDS Division Positive Health Program, Acute Care for Elders (ACE) Unit and more.

'Hearts in San Francisco' is one of the most widely recognized public art projects in the City. Since the project's inception in 2004, San Francisco Bay Area artists have created more than 200 Hearts that have gone on display all across the city of San Francisco and beyond, from Union Square to the lobbies or conference rooms of corporate supporters throughout the Bay Area, including Wells Fargo, Intel and Chevron. Each Heart is a unique, one-of-a-kind work of art and celebrates the diversity of San Francisco through designs made of acrylic paints, mosaic art, mixed media sculptures, Swarovski crystals and more.

About San Francisco General Hospital Foundation

San Francisco General Hospital Foundation (the Foundation) is an independent, 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation that provides philanthropic support to Priscilla Chan and Mark Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (Zuckerberg San Francisco General). The Foundation is dedicated to promoting excellence in research, education and care for all at Zuckerberg San Francisco General.

Funds raised by the Foundation allow Zuckerberg San Francisco General to continue its long history of providing compassionate and high quality health care to San Francisco and northern San Mateo County. Some of the programs funded wholly or in part by the Foundation include the Avon Comprehensive Breast Care Center, Children's Health Center, HIV/AIDS Division Positive Health Program, Acute Care for Elders (ACE) Unit, HIVE - formerly Bay Area Perinatal AIDS Center (BAPAC) and the Orthopaedic Trauma Institute. For more information, please visit SFGHF.org and [Facebook \(Facebook.com/SFGHFoundation\)](https://www.facebook.com/SFGHFoundation).

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