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San Francisco General Hospital Foundation announces selected artists for the 2018 ‘Hearts in San Francisco’ public art series

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

SAN FRANCISCO (August 30, 2017) – **San Francisco General Hospital Foundation** (the Foundation) **Chief Executive Officer Amanda Heier** announced today the 23 San Francisco Bay Area artists selected for the annual iconic ‘**Hearts in San Francisco**’ project and public art series. The 2018 series will feature designs by both established and up-and-coming local artists. For the first year ever, the 2018 collection will include an all-new set series consisting of two or three mini heart sculptures, in addition to the stand alone large, table top, and single mini hearts.

The artists that have been selected to create the six large hearts (5' tall x 6' wide x 40" deep) are **Jeremy Fish, John Kraft, Sirron Norris, Lillian Shanahan, Piero Spadaro, and Gina Teichert**. The artists that will be creating the six table top hearts (16" tall x 17" wide x 8" deep) are **Chris Cook, Angelina Duckett, Dmitry Grudsky, John Haines, Jane Russell and Dilek Sezen**. There will also be 11 artists designing 24 mini heart artworks (7" tall x 6" wide x 2" deep), with seven of the artists creating hearts in a series of two or three. The mini heart artists are **Florian Busch, Anthony Diaz, Entropy, Taiko Fujimura, Colleen Gianatiempo, Jamie Kaplan, Rick Kitagawa, Francis Li, Barbara Libby-Steinmann, Rita Soyfertis, and Sid Wellman**.

Artists participating in the ‘Hearts in San Francisco’ series will be sharing the progress of their heart designs on social media. Followers near and far 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](#) accounts. The Foundation will be sharing images from the artists throughout their process. All of the completed heart designs will be revealed in December 2017

and featured at the **Heroes & Hearts luncheon** at AT&T Park on **Thursday, February 15, 2018**. The table top and mini hearts will be displayed at Wilkes Bashford in December, and at Macy's Union Square in January. Select large hearts have the opportunity to be displayed in San Francisco's Union Square February 2017 through October 2017.

In February 2018, the hearts will be auctioned on eBay, with proceeds benefiting life-enhancing programs and initiatives at Zuckerberg San Francisco General. 'Hearts in San Francisco' artworks, combined with Heroes & Hearts event proceeds (2004–2017), have raised more than \$17 million for the Foundation and ZSFG programs that improve care for all.

About the Hearts in San Francisco Project

Introduced in 2004, the citywide public art project, '[Hearts in San Francisco](#),' featured 131 five-foot tall Heart Sculptures designed by both local and national established and emerging artists. The unique works of art were featured in plazas, parks and on street corners throughout San Francisco. Since the inaugural year, more than 350 Hearts have been created to benefit programs at Zuckerberg San Francisco General (ZSFG). Hearts are auctioned and sold, and more than \$11 million in proceeds have supported San Francisco General Hospital Foundation's efforts to fund innovative projects and initiatives that provide high quality compassionate care at ZSFG.

About the Heroes & Hearts Luncheon

The Heroes & Hearts luncheon brings the community together to celebrate the essential role ZSFG plays in our City and its community impact, raising funds to support The Foundation's mission and honor local heroes whose actions improve our community. The 2018 event takes place on Thursday, February 15 at AT&T Park with doors opening at 11 a.m. Sponsorship levels for the Heroes & Hearts event begin at \$7,500. For more information about the event or to learn more about sponsorship opportunities, call 628-206-5803 or visit <http://sfghf.org/events/heroes-hearts/>.

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. For more information, please visit SFGHF.org and [Facebook \(Facebook.com/SFGHFfoundation\)](https://www.facebook.com/SFGHFfoundation).

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