



John Updike
Acting Director of Real Estate



MEMORANDUM

TO: Judy Nemzoff, Program Director, San Francisco Arts Commission

FROM: Tom Petersen, Building and Grounds Superintendent, Real Estate Division

DATE: October 10, 2012

SUBJECT: Exterior Maintenance at SOMArts Cultural Center

Dear Ms. Nemzoff,

I'm writing to inform you of our intention to address the building exterior at 934 Brannan Street. Due to visible cracks at various locations on the stucco exterior, it is our intention to make necessary repairs to stop and or prevent water infiltration into the structural members of the building's exterior.

This work entail power washing loose and flaking paint, opening areas where there are visible cracks, inspecting for water damage and/or mold; upon completion of inspection we will make repairs as necessary, re-stucco, and re-paint the affected areas.

All demo, sanding, and power washing will be done in accordance with established lead work protocol.



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30
Years of
Art in
the
City

NO PARKING
1200 - 1230
MON - FRI

30

734

Person in blue shirt







BRANNAN ST. ENTRANCE

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED AND EMAIL
October 12, 2012

Ms. Johanna Poethig
6542 Whitney Street
Oakland, CA 94609

Re: *Artifact*, 1990, painted mural by Johanna Poethig at SOMArts Cultural Center

Dear Ms. Poethig:

The San Francisco Arts Commission is writing to inform you of the City's planned repair of the visible cracks in the exterior of SOMArts Cultural Center located at 934 Brannan Street in San Francisco. These repairs, determined necessary by the Real Estate Department (RED), will stop and prevent water infiltration to the building's exterior. Unfortunately this repair will demolish your mural, *Artifact*, which has enhanced the entrance to our Cultural Center for over 20 years.

Please be advised that RED plans to repair the building exterior 90 days from October 19, 2012.

As the artist of the mural, you are entitled to remove the work at your own expense (see California Civil Code 987, California Art Preservation Act California Civil code 989, and Visual Artists Rights Act of 1990, 17 U.S.C 106A, et. seq.). We request that you inform us of your intention to remove the work by **December 7, 2012**. If you do not choose to remove the work, a qualified arts organization can come forward and state their intention to remove the work. If no one comes forward to remove the work, it will be destroyed at the end of 90 days from this notice.

Please feel free to contact Program Manager Robynn Takayama (415) 252-2598 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tom DeCaigny, Director of Cultural Affairs

/rt

cc: Lex Leifheit, Executive Director SOMArts Cultural Center
Adine Varah, Deputy City Attorney

VIA EMAIL

October 12, 2012

Ms. Fran Velesco

Re: *Untitled*, 1982, painted mural by Fran Velesco at SOMArts Cultural Center

Dear Ms. Velesco:

The San Francisco Arts Commission is writing to inform you of the City's planned repair of the visible cracks in the exterior of SOMArts Cultural Center located at 934 Brannan Street in San Francisco. These repairs, determined necessary by the Real Estate Department (RED), will stop and prevent water infiltration to the building's exterior. Unfortunately this pair will demolish your mural, *Untitled*, which has enhanced the entrance to our Cultural Center for 30 years.

Please be advised that RED plans to repair the building exterior 90 days from October 19, 2012.

As the artist of the mural, you are entitled to remove the work at your own expense (see California Civil Code 987, California Art Preservation Act California Civil code 989, and Visual Artists Rights Act of 1990, 17 U.S.C 106A, et. seq.). We request that you inform us of your intention to remove the work by **December 7, 2012**. If you do not choose to remove the work, a qualified arts organization can come forward and state their intention to remove the work. If no one comes forward to remove the work, it will be destroyed at the end of 90 days from this notice.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This constitutes notice under California Civil Code §§ 987 and 989 (California Art Preservation Act) of City and County of San Francisco's intent to repair the exterior wall at SOMArts Cultural Center located at 934 Brannan Street, San Francisco. The necessary repairs to the exterior walls will result in the destruction of two painted murals, *Untitled* by Fran Velasco and *Artifact* by Johanna Poethig. Any interested parties wishing to remove these works as permitted in Civil Coded 987 and 989 should contact Robynn Takayama, San Francisco Arts Commission (415) 252-2598 by January 19, 2013.

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