Southeast Health Center Community History Wall Artwork by William Rhodes Final Artwork Design Proposal

Environmental Activism Quilt



Size: 42 inches (width) x 65 inches (length) and .5 inches (depth)

Materials: Paint, fabric, ink, photo on fabric and thread

Description: This quilt highlights the below key people, organizations and locations that have been instrumental in the struggle for environmental justice in the Bayview community.

Green fabrics will be the foundation of this quilt as green is a universal color representing the earth, growth and renewal.

Each quilt's center medallion will feature a West African Adrinkra symbol that matches the theme of each quilt. The center medallion for the Environmental Justice quilt is "Asase Ye Duru", which is a symbol for Mother Earth, divinity and providence.

Around the border of each quilt will be a mix of hand-painted portraits as well as photo images that will be printed on cotton fabric squares.

Portraits featured (clockwise from top left corner):

- 1. Karen Pierce: Bayview resident, longtime community activist, environmental health expert.
- 2. George Cater (left) and Donald Porter (right): Longshore walking bosses of Hunters Point Shipyard.
- 3. Marie Harrison: Longtime community activist, Mother of the Bayview environmental movement.
- 4. Dr. Ahimsa Porter Sumchai: An environmental activist and member of the scientific committee of Hunters Point Biomonitoring Program.
- 5. Members of Bayview Hunters Point Community Advocates.
- 6. Olin Webb: Bayview resident, longtime community activist, environmental health expert.
- 7. Marie Harrison: Longtime community activist, Mother of the Bayview environmental movement.

- 8. Michelle Pierce: Bayview resident, longtime community activist, environmental health expert, Executive director of Bayview Hunters Point Community Advocates.
- 9. Bayview Rise Building: This mural was inspired by Essie Webb's dream of and poem about environmental justice for the Bayview.
- 10. Michelle Pierce (left) and Karen Pierce (right): Multi-generational activism for Bayview environmental protection.
- 11. Dr. Ray Tompkins: Bayview Hunters Point community activist, expert in environmental racism.
- 12. Members of Bayview Hunters Point Community Advocates during environmental protest.
- 13. Linda Fadeke Richardson: Environmental justice expert, sustainability development expert, co-founder of the Southeast Alliance for Environmental Justice.
- 14. Radiation Marker: Image taken at Hunters Point Shipyard.



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Description: The Healthcare Activism Quilt honors the below individuals and locations instrumental in the struggle for healthcare activism in the Bayview community.

Yellow fabrics will be the foundation of this quilt as yellow represents healing, optimism and hope.

The center medallion is "Ah-ko-ko non," which is a symbol for patience, protectiveness and care.

Portraits featured (clockwise from top left corner):

- 1. Etta James: Community activist for healthcare equity, member of the Commission for Elderly Services, Advisory Board Member of Southeast Health Center.
- 2. Dr. Arthur H. Coleman Medical Center, located in the Bayview neighborhood.
- 3. Dr. John Jones: Pharmacist and healthcare provider for the Bayview's John Jones Pharmacy.
- 4. Ollie Burguss: Community activist in healthcare, Advisory Board President of the Southeast Health Center.
- 5. Oscaryne Winnfield Williams: Healthcare and community services activist, Advisory Board Member of the Southeast Health Center.
- 6. Dr. Arthur H. Coleman: First black physician practicing in the Bayview Hunters Point, health care and civil rights advocate
- 7. Francis Travis: Healthcare and community services activist, Advisory Board Member of the Southeast Health Center.
- 8. Wayland Carr Fuller: First black pharmacist in San Francisco.
- 9. Grand opening of Dr. Arthur H. Coleman Medical Center.

- 10. Cynthia Selmar: Healthcare provider, Director of the San Francisco Department of Public Health's African American Health Initiative.
- 11. Mabel Brown Schine: Healthcare and community services advocate, Advisory Board Member of the Southeast Health Center.
- 12. Reverend Ray Gental: Bayview faith-based leader, activist for community health, Advisory Board Vice President of the Southeast Health Center.
- 13. Espanola Jackson: Activist for community services and healthcare, member of the Big Five.



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Description: This quilt credits the below key people, organizations and locations that have been instrumental in the struggle for equal housing in the Bayview community.

Blue fabrics will be the foundation of this quilt as blue represents trust, confidence and stability.

The center medallion is "Funtummireku Denchimmerekkoo," which is a symbol for the stability, human family, oneness and unity.

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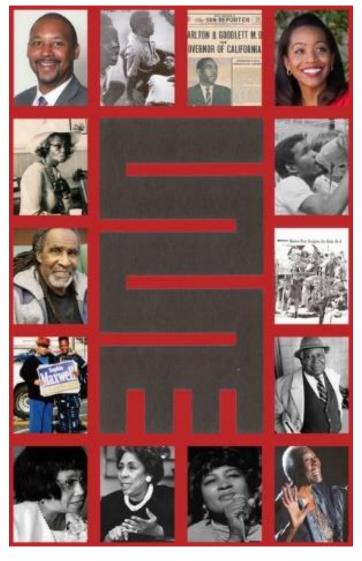
- 1. Elouise Westbrook: Activist for community services and housing, member of the Big Five.
- 2. Dr. George W. Davis Senior Center: housing and community services for Bayview senior residents.
- 3. Navy Road Housing Projects.
- 4. Dr. George W. Davis: Activist for community services and housing, creator of the George W. Davis Senior Center.
- 5. Aerial view of Hunter's View Housing

- 6. Alex L. Pitcher: Longtime activist for community services and housing.
- 7. Hunters Point Joint Housing Commission (1 of 2): A group of community leaders instrumental in the development of services and fair housing for residents.
- 8. Marvin Robinson: Activist for community services and housing, key member of Model Cities program.
- 9. The Double Rock Public Housing Project.
- 10. Housing Projects on Bayshore Boulevard and Geneva Avenue, across from Southern Pacific Railroad.
- 11. Oscar James: Activist for community services and housing, key member of Model Cities program.

Hunters Point Joint Housing Commission (2 of 2): A group of community leaders instrumental in the development of services and fair housing for residents.

Ernie Mitchell: Activist for community services and housing, key member of Model Cities program.

Oscar James: Manager of the Bayview Redevelopment Agency, oversaw demolition of wartime housing.



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Description: This quilt pays tribute to the key people, organizations and locations that have been instrumental in the struggle for social and political justice in the Bayview Hunters-Point community.

Red fabrics will be the foundation of this quilt as red is a universal color representing activism, power and strength.

The center medallion is "Nkyinkyin," which is a symbol for toughness, ability to withstand hardships and service to the community.

Portraits featured (clockwise from top left corner):

- 1. Shamann Walton: Bayview resident, current President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, representing District 10.
- 2. Unnamed man shot during the 1966 Bayview riots.
- 3. The Sun-Reporter: A 75-year-old weekly newspaper serving the African American community of San Francisco, with a "strong editorial stand against racism, segregation ...

while actively fighting for civil rights, fair employment and housing laws."

- 4. Malia Cohen: Community leader, Past President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, representing District 10.
- 5. Dennis Billups: Community member, Disability Rights Movement activist, key member of the 504 sit-ins.
- 6. Bayview Hunters Point Young Men for Action: A group of community members instrumental in the development of services and jobs for Bayview residents.
- 7. Thomas C. Fleming: Activist, one of the most influential African American journalists on the West Coast, founding editor of the Sun-Reporter newspaper.
- 8. Mary Booker: Civil rights leader, longtime community activist.
- 9. Ruth Williams: Longtime human rights leader, member of the Big Five.

- 10. Doris Ward: Social activist, Past President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, California delegate to the Democratic National Convention.
- 11. Oceola Washington: Activist for community services, member of the Big Five.
- 12. Sophie Maxwell: Bayview resident, former member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, representing District 10.
- 13. Claude Carpenter: Activist for community services, key member of Model Cities program.
- 14. Enola Maxwell: Activist for civil rights and community services.