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**SILVER LAKE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**Outreach Committee Board Meeting
Agenda**

Silver Lake Branch Library
2411 Glendale Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90039
5/28/24
6-8pm

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- I. Call to order and roll call.
- II. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting. (Minutes below)
- III. General Public Comment - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed 1 minute(s).
- IV. Analytics, Attendance and Promotional material review ([LINK](#))
- V. New Business
 - A. Discuss website content updates.
 - B. Discuss next steps for our Back to School event including flier design approval.
 - C. Discuss Farmers Market presence.
 - D. Discuss feedback from stakeholders at the last UDP meeting including questions about posting with more frequency around larger meetings & also considering spanish language options on our website.
 - E. Discuss promotional materials and possible creation of an Architectural Walking Tour Map
 - F. Discuss next steps for Little Library installation.
 - G. Discussion and possible motion to DESIGNATE THE JULIAN ELTINGE STEPS (see motion 1G below).
 - H. Discuss ideas for next Outreach email and social posts including Ask Silver Lake ideas.
 1. SLNC Board Profile series for social
- VI. ADJOURNMENT

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- Silver Lake Recreation Center, 1850 W Silver Lake Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90026
- www.silverlakenc.org
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Motion 1G:

REQUEST TO DESIGNATE THE JULIAN ELTINGE STEPS

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council recommends that City Council District 13 and the Department of Public Works install a permanent ceremonial sign at the base of the public stairway that leads up to Villa Capistrano declaring said public stairway, designating them the Julian Eltinge Steps.

We believe the doing do is a fitting honor to Eltinge's memory and status as a drag icon as well as an appropriate celebration of Silver Lake's open-minded culture. We furthermore request the installation an informational stanchion at the stairway to provide context for the stairways name and believe that this should also be done at existing named stair and walk streets (i.e. Esther's Steps, Garcia Walk, the Mattachine Steps, and the Music Box Steps).

We also recognize that naming stair streets in Silver Lake in the past (i.e. Esther's Steps, the Music Box Steps, and the Mattachine Steps) promotes active transportation, place-making, and serves the community's interests. We recognize that installing ceremonial signs and informational stanchions would additionally serve the goal of increasing awareness of both the neighborhood's history and its Neighborhood Council in preserving it.

Finally, we believe that designating the Julian Eltinge Steps during Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month would be a wonderful gesture to demonstrate our community's ongoing embrace of it's decades long status as Los Angeles unofficial "gayborhood."

BACKGROUND

Julian Eltinge was, in modern parlance, America's "first drag superstar." Eltinge was born on May 14, 1881 in Newtonville, Massachusetts. Although assigned male at birth, Eltinge began dressing in girls' clothing at an early age. When just ten years old, Eltinge made their public debut as part of the Boston Cadets Revue. By the early 1900s, Eltinge was a star of the Vaudeville circuit. Eltinge made their Broadway debut in 1904. The actor made their solo performance debut in Simpson Girl, a parody of the iconic Gibson Girl which dramatically concluded with a wig reveal.

In order to begin starring in films, Eltinge moved to Los Angeles and commissioned a Spanish Revival home named Villa Capistrano at 2327 Fargo Street in 1914. The community Edendale — today part of Silver Lake and Echo Park — was then still the center of the US's film industry. The same year Eltinge moved to Edendale/Silver Lake, they starred in their first picture, The Countess Charming. They continued acting in women's roles in films like the Clever Mrs. Fairfax, Her Grace, the Vampire, The Widow's Might, Princess Martini, Madame Behave, and The Fascinating Widow. When Eltinge's star began to fade, they moved back to New York City in 1930 where they died on March 7, 1941.

Minutes: April 2024

- I. Call to order and roll call. Robbie, Josie, Alex - 6:15p.
- II. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting. (Minutes below). Minutes approved.
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- V. New Business
 - A. Discuss next steps for our Back to School event.
 1. Alex - Bring it up with Regina at the Governing Board.
 - B. Discuss promotional materials and what we'd like to produce more of.
 1. RB: Look into new color for hats.
 2. RB: Lots of cards
 3. Alex: Lots of stair maps.
 - C. Discuss next steps for Little Library possible locations.
 1. Alex: corner of Hoover and Bellevue/Imogen. Possible collab with Green Committee to add some native plants.
 2. RB: One option at Bellevue Park. RB to follow up with SLIA about doing one at the Sunset Triangle.
 - D. Discuss ideas for next Outreach email and social posts including Ask Silver Lake ideas.
 1. Alex: May is AAPI History month
 2. Track Club has their bi-annual run next month
 3. 99 Cents Store History
 - a) Food resources - Fridge
 4. Rec Director Interviews
 5. Mascot Contest
 6. Voter Registration Reminder

Adjourn: 730p