

June Meeting

HPNA General Meeting Agenda for June 6

Hybrid Meeting: In person at Griffin School Auditorium (5001 Evans Avenue 78751) and on Zoom

- Welcome
- Update on proposed changes to the City of Austin's Vertical Mixed Use (VMU) policies and compatibility and parking regulations
- Update on HPNA joining the North Central I-35 Neighborhood Coalition (NCINC)
- 1. Update on 46th and 47th and Bennett and Middle Fiskville neighborhood bikeway project
- Philanthropy Spotlight: Hope Food Pantry
- Update on upcoming Hyde Park events
- Announcements

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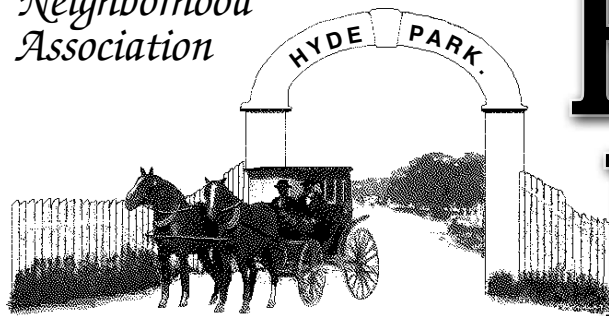
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Shipe Pool Opening Party

Despite concerns over the shortage of life guards, the city has announced on its website that Shipe Pool will open on Monday, June 6. To celebrate, the Friends of Shipe Park have planned a Pool Opening Party and Movie in the Park event on Saturday, June 11, from 5 to 9:45 pm. The event is free to everyone.

The Pool Opening Party, 5 to 8 pm, will include refreshments, food trucks, beach balls, and other pool activities. KellyDbeats DJ will be on



The Arts in Hyde Park Songbird Rising

Editor's Note: Hyde Park is a neighborhood rich in artists – musicians, film makers, writers, visual artists – and in environments that nurture and promote the arts. One of those environments is the school Songbird Rising. This interview with its director introduces Songbird Rising to the Hyde Park community.

What is Songbird Rising and who are you?

My name is Laura Poyzer, and I am the director of Songbird Rising Suzuki School. In 2009 I moved to Austin from Wales, UK to study at UT and teach with the UT String Project. I've been a happy Hyde Park resident since 2010.

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hand to provide music. Following the Pool Party, Astound Broadband (formerly Grande) will host a Movie in the Park (movie yet to be determined) from 8:20 to 9:45 pm.

Hyde Park neighbors are encouraged to bring blankets, folding chairs, bug spray, snacks, and any other amenities they enjoy while watching movies.

Starting June 6, the Shipe Pool schedule will be as follows:

Monday through Friday (closed Wednesdays)

8 am - 9:50 am: Swim Lessons*

8 am - 9:50 pm: Lap Swim

10 am - 11:50 am: .. Swim Team**

Noon - 7 pm: Recreational Swim***

Weekends

Noon - 7 pm: Recreational Swim***

*Lap swim only: 2 lap lanes available

**Closed to public

***One lap lane available

– Kristen Remeza

From the Desk of the Co-Presidents



It's hard to believe that the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA), founded in 1974, has been around for almost fifty years. Over that time, the organization has benefited from the volunteer support of neighborhood residents who deliver the *Pecan Press*, coordinate social activities (think Fire Station Festival!), and participate in committees that help run the association and engage the community.

Fundamental to the function of the HPNA is the Steering Committee, which is the principal representative and policy-recommending body of the HPNA. The Steering Committee is elected and governed by HPNA's general membership. Members vote on a slate of Steering Committee candidates in the October and November timeframe. And while the Steering Committee does make policy recommendations, it must review and receive approval (in the form of a vote at a general membership

meeting) for any recommended position prior to communicating that position to the City of Austin or any other governmental body.

An up-to-date list of Steering Committee members can always be found in the *Pecan Press* and on the HPNA website (austinhypark.org).

This past month, the current members of the Steering Committee met at the Griffin School for a three-hour, in-person work session. The ongoing pandemic has made in-person meetings a rare occurrence and the group was interested in developing a tighter working relationship while discussing topics the team hadn't had time to explore over the past year. The session opened with an ice-breaker called "Two Truths and a Lie," which required each member of the Steering Committee to share something about him- or her-

self. It's important for you to know that, among the folks representing the neighborhood, there is one person who has fallen down an open manhole, one who knows how to string a tennis racket, and one who is a black belt in the Japanese martial art of Aikido.

Our work session covered three topics: engagement and communication, review of the bylaws, and how committees are created and structured. A few key actions came out of the meeting:

- Bylaws – Current HPNA bylaws need to be reviewed in light of the hybrid online and in-person meetings we will continue to host and administer for voting. A committee is forming to recommend changes to the bylaws that will be presented to general membership for a vote at the September meeting. If you're interested in serving on this committee, please reach out to Lisa Harris. The current bylaws can be found on the HPNA website at austinhypark.org/about-hpna/bylaws-and-purpose.
- Social coordinator – We've been operating without a social coordinator for the past few months. Marsha Riti, Stephen Gonzalez, and Katie Turner will co-chair the role. One of their first actions will be to publish a calendar of events for the remainder of the year. Stay tuned for this to appear on our HPNA website (austinhypark.org) and in the *Pecan Press*.
- Communication – To improve communication with the membership, Michele Grieshaber will serve as the Communication lead. The role is new and will be on point to coordinate and ensure timely updates of information regarding meetings, events, topics of high interest or urgency, and upcoming votes.

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IN MEMORIAM

William Benham

Bill Benham, husband of Sidney Lock, father of Paul Cruz and stepfather of Cory Lock and Elizabeth Lock, and grandfather and step-grandfather of seven children, passed away on May 1, 2022.

Bill was born and bred an Austinite. He attended Austin public schools until college, when he graduated from the University of Memphis. He pursued a career as an auditor for various state organizations, finishing with the Texas State Department of Health. He loved history, particularly the history of World War II, the Austin Ballet, sports, and music. He was a passionate environmentalist. He wrote letters regularly to a variety of newspapers including the *Austin American-Statesman*, the *Houston Chronicle*, and the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times*.

Bill was known as a generous and kindly soul. He will be missed by his Hyde Park neighbors. Donations in his memory can be made to the Audubon Society or the Sierra Club.

Don Brown

Don Brown, husband of Sharon Brown, father of Andy and Gregory Brown, and grandfather of Franklin and Hattie Brown, passed away on April 22, 2022 of complications from Parkinson's disease.

Don was born in Houston and graduated from UT Austin. After that, he served in the Navy during the Vietnam War. He married Sharon in 1966. He returned to college at the University of Wisconsin, where he earned a Ph.D. in Political Science, which he subsequently taught at the University of California at Riverside. Eventually, he and his family returned to Texas, where he taught at UT Austin and then joined the staff of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, eventually becoming Commissioner. Throughout his life, he worked for humanitarian causes, often in educational contexts. He was also known for his fine carpentry.

Donations in his memory can be made to the Huston-Tillotson University scholarship fund.

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Lisa Harris welcomed everyone and outlined the agenda.

Rob Faubion, Chief Community Engagement Officer with AGE of Central Texas, gave a presentation on the organization.

- AGE was founded as Austin Groups for the Elderly 36 years ago. The organization was founded by members of the community in hopes of providing resources to the elderly.
- AGE is designed to operate like a social club for those being served. AGE provides adult day health care to seniors who need help managing daily activities during the day or who are at risk of feeling isolated or lonely. At the end of the day, the seniors go home.
- AGE also offers caregiver education and resources, early memory loss support, health equipment lending, and peer-based computer classes for seniors through the AGE computer lab.

- There will be a new AGE center coming to South Austin, near South Park Meadows. AGE will also be renovating the historic 1906 campus adjacent to Hyde Park.

- For more information, visit <https://ageofcentraltx.org/>.

Brendan Wittstruck gave an update on the I-35 reconfiguration project. Brendan is a member of the HPNA Steering Committee and is also active in the North Central I-35 Neighborhood Coalition (NCINC).

- TXDOT has moved into the next phase of work, and there will be no more public engagement until the fall. Input on alternative plans is also closed. The highway will ultimately be widened significantly, with new interchanges.

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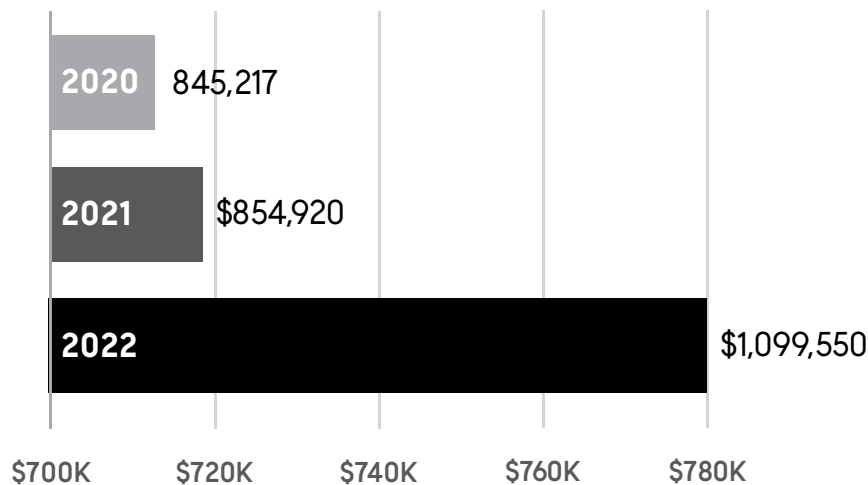
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Native Tribes of North America

by der Brat

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[Numbers in parentheses = number of letters in answers]

Places refer to where tribes lived were before they were relocated!
Key to locations: SW = Southwest; GP = Great Plains; NW = North-west Coast; GB = Great Basin; EW = Eastern Woodlands (and east coast); SE = Southeast

1. SW: Famous code talkers in WWII. (6) _____
2. SE: Main group on the Trail of Tears. (8) _____
3. NW: Also a heavy-lift copter and a wind. (7) _____
4. EW: May have regretted helping some Pilgrims! (9) _____
5. SE: Also the name for an FSU athlete. (8) _____
6. EW: The Meskwaki and the name of a bushy-tailed carnivore. (3) _____
7. GP: Nation with headquarters in Lawton, OK. (8) _____
8. EW: The Illiniwek and the name of a state. (8) _____
9. SE: Also a name for a stream. (5) _____
10. EW: Also a hairstyle. (6) _____
11. GP: The Siksikaitsitapi of Montana. (9) _____
12. EW: Also the name of a Great Lake. (5) _____
13. EW: Biden's state and OK tribe. (8) _____
14. GP: Absaroka and also a corvid. (4) _____
15. EW: Prairie Algonquians and a city in FL. (5) _____
16. SW: Also a copter and Parisian dance. (6) _____
17. EW: Iroquoian peoples mainly in NY. (6) _____
18. SW: Peaceful group with matrilineal clans - mainly in AZ. (4) _____
19. EW: Tribe in CT with name like the whaler in Moby Dick. (6) _____
20. GP: They and some allies not so friendly to Custer; also name of a state capital. (8) _____
21. SW: Pueblo peoples of AZ and NM. (4) _____

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- The project covers the area from 290 East to the North and Ben White to the South. TXDOT is proposing to remove upper decks and widen the highway. This is going to cause the forced sale of private property in Cherrywood. Downtown will look more like a boulevard, with parts of the highway possibly being covered by cap-and-stitch. *Capping* is the process of covering the highway with a plaza and *stitching* is running widened bridges across lowered portions of the highway. Last month the city retained a third party to study the cap-and-stitch areas. North Central Austin neighborhoods are fighting to get portions of the highway adjacent to their neighborhoods capped, like downtown.
- Brendan reported the final design will most likely not be pedestrian friendly. Designs are available online. The NCINC is focused on getting more engagement from TXDOT with the neighborhoods of central Austin. NCINC will be having a meeting May 17 at the Cherrywood Coffee House.
- Questions from membership: Can HPNA join the coalition? HPNA has not joined the coalition, but Brendan would love for HPNA to join.
- Is TXDOT considering removing large trucks from I-35 and requiring them to take an alternate route around Austin? NCINC has asked this question to TXDOT but has not received a positive response from TXDOT; TXDOT says 85% of I-35 traffic is local and rerouting large trucks would not result in much of a traffic reduction.
- Are they looking at removing the roundabout at 51st street? No, it will stay the way it is even though it's not pedestrian or bicycle friendly.
- Find more information on the I-35 project at <https://my->

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President's Letter...

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Overall, the team would like to encourage more involvement with the HPNA. We can use your help in planning and organizing social activities (Anyone interested in hosting a front-porch concert? How about helping out with the Homes Tour or Fire Station Festival?) or participating in committees (both ad hoc and standing, for example, bylaws, graffiti clean-up, traffic circles, or membership). We will also have several openings for Steering Committee members this fall, so please consider serving alongside your neighbors. It's up to us to make the HPNA work for and be useful to all who live and work here: homeowners, renters, and business owners. Your participation would be very welcome. Please contact us and let us know your interests or learn more by emailing us at hydeparkna@gmail.com.

— Kevin Heyburn

Lisa Harris

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Monthly Calendar

June

- 3 — Recycling Pickup
- 4 — Landscape Learning Day at the Ney Museum
- 6 — HPNA Meeting
- 6 — Shipe Pool Opens
- 9 — DRC Meeting
- 11 — Summer Family Day at the Ney Museum
- 11 — Pool Opening Party & Movie in the Park
- 13 — Steering Committee Meeting
- 14 — Flag Day Celebration
- 16 — Running Bear opens at Hyde Park Theatre
- 17 — Recycling Pickup
- 25 — Summer Family Day at the Ney Museum



News from the Ney

As the summer begins, the Ney will host a Landscape Learning Day on June 4 from 9 to 11 am. This is a great opportunity to learn about the native plants and ecosystem that surround Elisabet Ney's historic artist studio. The museum's horticulturalist, Sam Panger, will be on site to lead hands-on activities and present a guided tour of the landscape. This event is free and open to visitors of all ages.

On Saturday, June 11 and 25, the museum will host the annual Summer Family Days from 10 am to 12 pm outside on the grounds! These free workshops will give kids an opportunity to learn new art techniques and develop their creative skills. Our Museum Educators will lead participants through each activity, and all of the materials will be provided. There is no need to sign up and kids of all ages are welcome.



Around & About the Avenues

Memorial Service for Oliver Franklin. On April 16, following the conclusion of Ney Day, the Elisabet Ney Museum



held a Celebration of Life service for Oliver Franklin. The service, conducted by Spike Gillespie,

took place on the Ney grounds behind the museum building. One speaker after another, starting with Jack Nokes, spoke about Oliver, addressing his positive nature, his strength, and his work transforming the Ney into a cultural force. He will be missed by all who knew him.



Update on Guadalupe Storm Drain Project. The City of Austin's Watershed Protection Department, currently working on the construction plan part of the Guadalupe Storm Drain Project, is adjusting its schedule for the project: the engineering design will require an extra year to incorporate additional project elements. The estimated start of construction is now 2025. The project will now include improvements to the water and wastewater lines in the project area, an addition requested by Austin Water. Combining drainage and waterline improvements will be more efficient in terms of cost and construction impact to the neighborhood. Direct any questions to Jason Recker at 512-974-2382 or JasonRecker@austintexas.gov.





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Upcoming Events

Flag Day Celebration

For the 27th year, Austinites will gather to celebrate what is arguably America's least recognized holiday, Flag Day! Starting at 4 pm and running (with flags)

until 8 pm, the nearly annual event will be held on Tuesday, June 14 at the intersection of Fairfield Lane and Eilers Avenue. New for 2022 will be a collection of official Grand Prix race track flags – and, now legal after the May 7 Prop A election, a collection of marijuana-themed flags. It is no longer an arrestable offense to wave a pot flag weighing less than four ounces (Okay, it never was...).

Kids are encouraged to make their own flags. Obscure, international, and historic flags are particularly welcome. Free bamboo flag poles will be available (We have lots of bamboo poles...).

Happy Flag Day, Hyde Park!

– Jim Ellinger
Amateur Vexillologist

Opening at Hyde Park Theatre

This month and in July, Hyde Park Theatre will be presenting the play *Running Bear* by Raul Garza. In this drama, a successful middle-aged man returns to his hometown for a well-earned victory lap and finds himself on a walking bridge with a 17-year-old girl with quite a story to tell.

Directed by Rosalind Faires, *Running Bear* features Mical Trejo and Macy Butler and runs Thursdays through Saturdays at 8:00 pm, June 16 through July 16. Tickets can be purchased online or by calling 512-479-PLAY (7529) for reservations. More information is available at hydeparktheatre.org.

– Kevin Heyburn

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35capex.com/projects/i-35-capital-express-central/ and more information on NCINC at <https://www.ncinc.org/>.

Kevin Heyburn facilitated a vote on a resolution to authorize HPNA leaders to make small expenditures of HPNA funds without prior approval of the general membership.

• The resolution is as follows:

The HPNA authorizes each HPNA officer and the Steering Committee to pay expenses on behalf of the HPNA as indicated below. Each HPNA officer and the Steering Committee can approve any single expense up to the amount designated for that officer or the Steering Committee in column one, until the accumulative spending reaches the budgeted amount for the specific budget line item.

Once the budget line item is met or if there is no corresponding budget line item, each HPNA officer and the Steering Committee can approve any single

expenses up to the amount cited in column two.

The HPNA Treasurer shall not pay any expense unless approved in writing by the designated person, according to the table below. Only the Treasurer is authorized to pay expenses on behalf of the HPNA.

- Lisa Harris seconded the resolution, and the resolution was opened for discussion and questions. There was no discussion or questioning.
- The vote was held, and the resolution passed with 18 in favor, 0 opposed, and 2 abstentions.

Approval Levels	1. Any One Item Within Budget	2. Accumulative Out of Budget
President	\$7,500	\$750
Vice President	\$3,750	\$375
Homes Tour Chair	\$3,750	\$0 (if Homes Tour)
Treasurer	\$200	\$0
Committee Chair	\$50	\$0
Steering Committee	\$0	\$2,000

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April Events

Bunny Parade

On April 16, the Hyde Park Bunny danced his way around the neighborhood on a float lent to HPNA by SPJST. As dozens of Hyde Parkers followed him, the Bunny greeted more neighbors watching on the sidelines. The parade began at the Ney Museum and concluded at Shipe Park after moving along Avenue H, 40th Street, and Avenue G. Our thanks to the people who arranged the parade – Marsha Riti, Katie Turner, Stephen Gonzalez, and Betsy Clubine – and all those who volunteered to help out on parade day.



The Bunny Meets Some of His Followers



HPNA Co-Vice Presidents Carry the Banner



Followers of the Bunny Float



The Bunny in Action

Ney Day

On April 16, for the first time in several years, the Elisabet Ney Museum was able to hold Ney Day, the event celebrating women in the arts, sciences, and civic culture. Numerous booths – Las Latinas, PARD, and Friends of the Elisabet Ney Museum among them – provided everything from information to craft opportunities. Chulita Vinyl Club provided the music. It was an enjoyable return of this formerly annual event.



Children Enjoying a Craft Table



Friends of the Elisabet Ney Museum



Participants Gathered for Ney Day

Fire Station Welcome

After an extended absence while the Hyde Park fire station was being renovated and enlarged, fire fighters returned to their station during April. On April 23, HPNA welcomed them with a yard sign and cookies. Fire fighter Chris Kimbrough gave neighbors a tour of the renovated and expanded station, and kids were given a Junior Fire Fighter sticker. Our thanks to Marsha Riti, who organized the event, and to Linda Fugit, Sidney Locke, Heidi Gudelman, and Marsha Riti, who made cookies. Welcome back, fire station crew!



(left to right) Firefighter Godfrey Chatfeild, Fire Specialist Matthew Moore, & Firefighter Chris Kimbrough

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Recent and Upcoming HPNA Highlights and Activities

- Recently, a welcome back celebration for the firefighters returning to the Hyde Park fire station took place. Firefighters gave tours of the renovated station. Lots of homemade chocolate chip cookies were enjoyed by the firefighters and the families in attendance.
- Katie Turner gave thanks to all the volunteers for the Bunny Parade and the Ney staff for working with us on this event.
- Kevin announced that there will be an in-person Steering Committee meeting on Monday, May 9 at Trinity Church. As a reminder, all Steering Committee meetings are open to any HPNA member who would like to attend. All HPNA meetings are open to everyone.

Announcements

- Tom Wald, a candidate for Austin City Council District 9, introduced himself and gave an overview of his campaign. For more information, visit <https://start.tomwald.com/>.
- Ellie Hanlon announced she is hosting a block party this Saturday, May 7, at 48th and Caswell. There will be bands, a bouncy castle, burgers and hot dogs, and two kegs of beer.

Lisa thanked everyone for joining the meeting, and the meeting was adjourned.



Chris Kimbrough Introduces Children to the Fire Engine



Chris Kimbrough Shows Visitors the Renovated Kitchen

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Songbird Rising offers private lessons, group classes, theory classes, early childhood music classes, and summer camps. We also host two school recitals a



year and regular Suzuki book recitals and provide fun performance opportunities around Austin.

Shinichi Suzuki, the founder of the Suzuki method, said "music exists for the purpose of growing an admirable heart." This sentiment is reflected in our school motto, "Growth, Joy, Community." Our school exists for the purpose of reaching our potential as teachers, musicians, students, and friends. I have so much gratitude for the wonderful team of dedicated teachers and the incredible students and their families that have made the school the success it is today!

Where are you located?

We share space in the wonderful Trinity Church of Austin, 4001 Speedway Boulevard, 78751.

Who are your teachers?

- Laura Poyzer (Violin and Viola)
- Jane Etherington (Violin and Viola)
- Sarah Walters (Violin and Viola)
- Shelby Dems (Violin)
- Madeline Horrell (Cello)
- Graham Yates (Theory and Accompanist)
- Maggie Molleur (Summer Camp Yoga)

How many students do your teachers teach and in general what are the age ranges and skill levels of your students?

Our school teaches 100+ students every week and is growing. Our instrumental students range from three years old through adult with some of our high schoolers on track to study performance at college. Students come to us from across the spectrum in skill level and age, and all are welcome. To witness a student grow, learn, and become a skilled player is the joy of teaching.

Where can we see your students perform?

Songbird Rising performs at the SFC Farmers Market two or three times per year. We are hoping to

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Lettuce Recycle!



by Dena Houston

Can Recycling One Plastic Bottle Make a Difference? It's a Start!

One person, recycling one plastic bottle, represents a lifestyle which helps promote a healthier planet. Here is one of the most important ways recycling gives the Earth a healthier future.

Recycling Reduces the Need for Landfills - A Huge Contributor to Climate Change

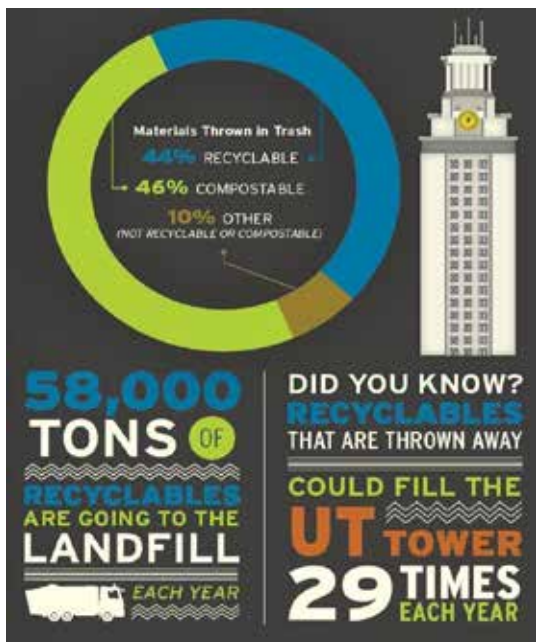
The most pressing environmental concern with landfills is their release of methane gas. Methane is 84 times more effective at absorbing the sun's heat than carbon dioxide, making it one of the most potent greenhouse gases and a huge contributor to climate change.



Landfills are very costly. They are designed to bury trash rather than convert and reuse it. When a landfill closes, it must be maintained for at least 30 years to prevent pollution of soil and ground water. It is very costly to protect our natural resources from landfill contamination.

How the Amount of Garbage You Produce Affects the Landfill

There are four sizes of trash carts available in Austin - 24, 32, 64, and 96 gallons. If you fill up a 96-gallon cart every week, you will add almost 5000 gallons of garbage to the landfill every year. This is equal to filling a small in-ground swimming pool. If you fill a 24-gallon cart every week, you will add only 1248 gallons of garbage to the landfill every year.



The picture above tells a chilling story. How easy it would be to get the City of Austin to Zero Waste by 2040 if we all composted and recycled. It all starts with recycling one plastic bottle!

Below is a list of how long it takes for items to decompose in a landfill:

- Plastic bags - 10 to 20 years
- Glass bottle - 1 million years
- Plastic Bottles - 500+ years
- Wool socks - 1 to 5 years
- Leather shoes - 25 to 40 years
- Styrofoam cup - 100 years

(Source: UK Department of the Environment)

All of the above items can be recycled in Austin!

Questions and Answers

How do I recycle metal screens? Metal (not fabric) screens are accepted at the Recycle & Reuse Drop Off Center.

What do I do with the plant pots and trays from the garden center? Most of them have a recycling symbol on them. If they do, they go into the blue recycling cart. Please shake the dirt off first.

What do I do with plastic bags that contained fertilizer, compost, soil, and mulch? Due to contamination, they cannot go into the plastic bag collection bin at the grocery store. These must go into the trash cart. The Recycle & Reuse Drop Off Center used to accept them, but they no longer have a buyer because of the contamination issue.

**PLEASE REMEMBER -
WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!
NOTHING SMALLER THAN A
CREDIT CARD IN THE BLUE BIN.**

Remember the City of Austin recycling website:
<http://www.austintexas.gov/what-do-i-do>.

Stay tuned for future tips for creative ways to recycle or reuse. If you have any questions or recycling ideas, please send them to recycling@hpwbana.org.

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begin performing at the Muller Farmer's Market soon. In the fall we will begin a recital series at Trinity Church, 4001 Speedway, featuring both students and teachers.

You can see our students performing with the Austin Youth Orchestra, McCallum High School Orchestra, and Lamar Middle School Orchestra. Notice of performances, other school news, and cute stories can be found on the school's Instagram page, @songbirdrisingsuzukischool.

Do you have summer camps?

Yes! We have been offering summer camps for over 10 years! This year we have four scheduled: String Camp I, String Camp II, Chamber Camp, and Fiddle Camp. At String Camp I and II, the students will be working together to put on a mini-musical at the end of the week; each camp has a top-secret theme that is announced on the first day of camp. The camp's music and art are based around the theme, making each camp fun, creative, and unique. You can find information about all our camps at

songbirdrising.com.

Why do you think learning a string instrument is important?



Learning to play an instrument has innumerable benefits. There will, of course, be many rewards that are felt at an individual level, but I'll mention a few that are more general and that I find most valuable. While music might not be directly relevant to a lot of careers, the skills acquired in learning an instrument are challenging and underpin many aspects of life.

As dedicated musicians we learn how to persist over many years at a difficult task that demands the development of many skills – a task, a journey, that is never quite over. There is always more to discover. We must practice regularly and learn how to do it well, we must perform in front of an audience, we must perform as groups and alone. Along this journey we learn the invaluable virtue of persistence and learn to diligently pursue our goals, we learn the subtle social skills that allow us to work well as a group, and we develop the courage to perform and lead.

Music connects us. Human history shows that throughout civilizations, music has always had an important role in our bonding, sharing, self-expression, joy, and celebration.

What is next for Songbird Rising?

The most exciting news is the 2023 UK tour. Songbird Rising students and their parents will be visiting Edinburgh, Chester, Bristol, Bath, and London over twelve days to perform concerts, busk, learn about local history, and collaborate with British musicians. The tour has been a dream in the making for a few years now, and I cannot wait to share the UK with my students!

Links:

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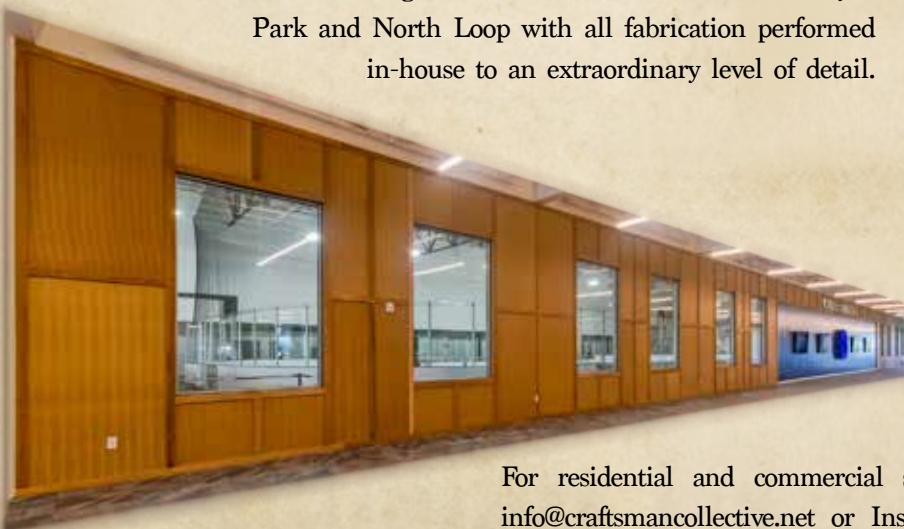



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