



Kent Woodlands Journal

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President's Note

Building Community by Getting to Know Our Neighbors: Jonah Burlingame, Artist

There are Artists in our midst, and their presence enriches our lives. One such Artist is Jonah Burlingame.

Jonah was born in San Francisco in 1968. His parents were “Hippies” who spent the “Summer of Love” in the Haight and then returned to Ohio to raise Jonah. He attended Kent State University, studying art history and graphic design. Having discovered his unique artistic style in the Midwest, he returned to San Francisco nearly thirty-five years later to pursue a career as an artist in the city he again would call his home.

Jonah, his wife, and daughter — each artistic in their own right — moved from the City to Kent Woodlands in 2019. They love Kent Woodlands because it is “the right balance of solitude and social.” They have made a conscious effort to get to know neighbors; in fact, Jonah started participating in Marin Open Studios because he saw it as a way to get to know his Kent Woodlands neighbors.

Marin Open Studios (MOS) is an annual self-guided tour of open studios and exhibit spaces of over 240 artists at locations all over Marin County. It's a great way to become familiar with or even immerse yourself in art. You can get to know the artists and talk with them about their artwork and you can purchase art. Visit marinopenstudios.org to preview artists and create your own tour. Keep in mind that not all studios are open all four days.

This is what they say about Jonah's paintings: *“His clean, abstract works have gained much attention in San Francisco, including commissions for many prominent Bay Area professionals. Since 1996 Jonah has been evolving his signature technique of applying paint with non-traditional implements such as window squeegees and mortar blades, suspending each layer of paint in layers of varnish to create luminescent paintings that harmonize within a high design environment. His work juxtaposes organic color textures with formal structural elements, which invite the viewer to imagine a world beyond the window his paintings provide.”*

But words don't do justice to Jonah's paintings — you need to see them. Luckily, you can visit his home studio in Kent Woodlands during both Marin Open Studios weekends — April 30 + May 1 and May 7 + 8. Drop by and meet one of your artistic neighbors.

For more info on Jonah Burlingame, his studio location, and Marin Open Studios: marinopenstudios.org/members/jonah/artwork/

— Ann Peckenpaugh Becker, President



The “President's Note” is intended to build community by spotlighting local residents. It is not an endorsement by the Association of any commercial product or service. If you know of a Kent Woodlands resident who would be a good subject of a “President's Note,” send an email to info@kwpoa.com.

Changes to Design Review Fee Schedule

In February of this year, the Board distributed a proposed revised fee schedule to members for a 28-day comment period as required by the California Civil Code. The comment period concluded on March 22.

At the April 28, 2022 Board Meeting, the Board reviewed and discussed the one comment received from the membership. After the discussion, the Board voted to adopt the proposed fee schedule with no changes. The new fees will go into effect immediately.

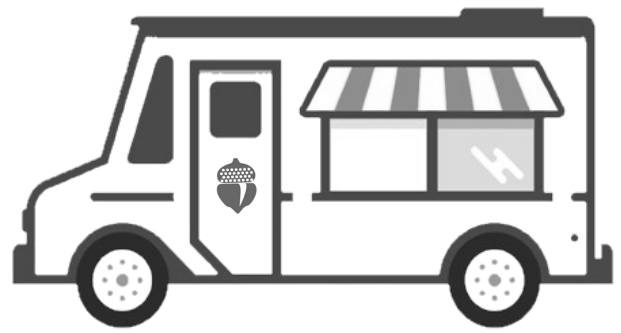
A copy of the new fee schedule can be found on our web site at kwpoa.com/design-review under "Quick Links." If you would like a printed copy, please contact the office at 415-721-7429.

FIRE SAFETY — Helpful Hint —

VENTS

At this point, we all know about the importance of defensible space around our properties, but when is the last time you thought about home hardening? One easy fix to protect your home from flying embers is retrofitting our existing vents. Covering all existing vents that are ¼ inch and larger with 1/8-inch or 1/16-inch wire mesh can make a difference. If cost is not a factor, consider installing California-approved fire and ember-resistant vents. Some of these engineered vents include: Embers Out, Vulcan vent or Brand Guard vents. Need more information? Check out Fire Safe Marin's information that includes videos: firesafemarin.org/harden-your-home/fire-resistant-vents

— Heather Hill, Hazard Mitigation Specialist



Food Truck Social Event

*Please join your neighbors on **Sunday, May 15 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** in the parking lot at the bottom of Woodland Road. Mark your calendars and tell your neighbors. Family-friendly, all residents welcome!*

FireSafe Marin Wildfire Prevention Event

FireSafe Marin presents "Ember Stomp," the first-ever wildfire prevention festival in Marin County. This **FREE** event for Marin residents will be held on **May 28, 2022 from 11:00am-5:00pm** at the Marin Center Fairgrounds Island. Celebrate Marin County's groundbreaking community effort to reduce the risk of a catastrophic wildfire with live music, hands-on activities, awards and entertainment, and lots of great food.

For more information visit:

firesafemarin.org/programs/wildfire-preparedness-festival/

Architectural Applications: May 2022

Please note: This newsletter is your **official notice** from the KWPOA regarding property improvements submitted for approval by the Architectural Committee. Please review this section very carefully as some planned development may affect you. Note that Architectural Committee actions are not final until ratified by the Board of Directors.

THIS MONTH'S ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MEETING IS MAY 17, 2022

Important Notice: Due to the ongoing Covid-19 situation, AC meetings will be held via video- or teleconference until further notice. Please email mbarber@kwpoa.com for participation instructions. As this situation continues, it may be necessary to reschedule or change the format of AC meetings. Please consult the KWPOA event calendar at kwpoa.com for any meeting changes.

Applicant	Property Address	Category/Project Description
New Applications for May		
Busalacchi	129 Crown	C11 Slide Remediation
Unkrich	69 Rock Rd	C3 Preliminary Review
Newbold	14 Fern Way	C3 Preliminary Review
Monetta	320 Goodhill	C3 Preliminary Review
Agarwal/Ostrem	4 Orchard Way	C13 Applications Resulting from Enforcement
Applications Approved in April		
Kashian	515 Woodland	C4 Significant Change in Appearance
Open Enforcements		
14 Madrone (enforcement on hold)		
421 Crown (enforcement on hold)		
Exempt and Administratively Approved Applications		
Martz	40 Evergreen	Window replacement
Kahan	17 Treetop	Fence

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Ann Peckenpaugh Becker (Acting Chair and Board Representative), Bruce Raabe, Cori Snyder Schuman, Julie Johnson, Tom Nicholson

AC COORDINATOR: Michael Barber (mbarber@kwpoa.com)

MEETINGS: Held monthly via teleconference. To be noticed in the newsletter and placed on the agenda, **COMPLETE** applications must be received by the 21st of the preceding month (or the Friday prior if the 21st falls on a weekend or holiday). All calls concerning Architectural Committee matters should be directed to Michael Barber at the KWPOA office at 415-721-7429 or via email at mbarber@kwpoa.com. Materials and applications may be mailed to P.O. Box 404, Kentfield 94914, or delivered to the office by appointment only.



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Next Board Meeting

Thurs. May 26, 2022 - 6:00PM via videoconference.
Contact jwilliams@kwpoa.com for log-in info.

AGENDA:

- Call to Order
- Public Comment
- Approval of April 28, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- AC Report and Ratifications
- Fire Safety & Hazard Mitigation Report
- Color Board Survey Update
- Entrance Beautification
- Officer Reports
- County Update
- Social Events Update
- Administrator's Report
- Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda
- Adjourn and Reconvene in Executive Session

Executive Session Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Approval of April 28, 2022 Executive Minutes
- Enforcements and Legal Matters
- Personnel
- Adjournment

(This is a preliminary agenda. Final agenda posted in KWPOA office window 4 days prior to meeting.)

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IMPORTANT NOTICE:

UPCOMING SURVEY ABOUT POSSIBLE ADDITIONS TO THE KWPOA EXTERIOR PAINT COLOR PALETTE

As you may be aware, the KWPOA Board of Directors is considering the addition of lighter earth tones to the approved exterior paint palette. Around May 20th, the Board will issue a brief survey to all members to help inform their decision on this matter. It is our goal that EVERY member participates and voices their opinion, so **PLEASE KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE SURVEY!**

The survey will be sent electronically to members who have an email address on file with our office. If you haven't provided us with an email in the past, or if you're not sure if we have the correct email address for you, please contact the office at **info@kwpoa.com** ASAP. Members without an email address on file will receive a paper version of the survey in the mail.

Thank you,

KWPOA Board of Directors