

SUNDAY STREETS

Busy day with fun, music, creativity, helpful stuff

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TENDERLOIN Sunday Streets, July 12, will be ubiquitous fun, none more than a new event activity at Golden Gate and Jones: Amos Gregory, founder of the S.F. Veterans Mural Project, will be designing a mural at that corner, and everyone's invited to grab a brush and help bring it to life.

Like a Tibetan sand painting, it's temporary, washed off at the end of the day, but a joy for all in the doing.

Practicality and pleasure mix at the annual event, which runs 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. along a route stretching from the corner of Ellis at Larkin to Ellis at Jones,



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Gigantic, undulating bubbles were among the offerings at Tenderloin Sunday Streets in 2013. At the family fun event this year you can get your bike repaired, or help with more serious stuff from all the groups telling about their services.

down Jones to Golden Gate and back to Larkin, and from Fulton outside the Main Library up Larkin back to Ellis.

Sans cars, walking and bicycle-riding lose their frightfulness and become the safest of activities in the TL. New bike rider in the family? SF Bicycle Coalition will be there teaching kids to ride, a staple of Sunday Streets. This year, both the Yellow Bike Project and Bay Area BikeMobile will be making on-the-spot minor bike repairs.

Another great opportunity: Yellow Bike's kid's bike swap. Bring in your kid's outgrown two-wheeler and ex-

change it for one that fits.

At Boeddeker Park, picnic in the grass, then shake a leg — and more — with zumba lessons and basketball. Glide will host dancing and games (giant legos!), and arts groups will be there with interactive projects.

Community groups — Tenants Union, TNDC, St. Anthony's, Young Workers United, Tenderloin Housing Clinic, Wu Yee Children's Services, TL Boys & Girls Club, YMCA and more — will have staff to explain their offerings.

Music will be everywhere: Among the local bands: The Beauty Operators,

a string band playing bluegrass, alt-grass and punk-grass; social justice singer-songwriter Brian Belknap; folk band Alzara & Brother Spellbinder; and alternative folk rock trio Rin Tin Tiger.

Be sure to stop by the Main Library to interact with the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Bait Ball Touchscreen — users, one at a time, touch a big screen where massed "sardines" move and pulse rhythmically to the sound of classical, rock, hip hop, jazz or country music. A digital postcard of the creation, sent via email, gives the user a memento of the activity. ■



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