



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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**Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Arts & Culture Commission / Human Relations
Commission Committee**

TELEPHONIC VIDEO CONFERENCE MEETING

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday, March 24, 2021
2:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: March 24, 2021 / 2:02 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Councilmember Lili Bosse, Councilmember John A. Mirisch, Assistant City Manager Nancy Hunt Coffey, Community Services Director Jenny Rogers, Interim Assistant Director of Community Services Patty Acuna, Arts and Culture Commissioner Vice Chair Deborah Frank, Arts and Culture Commissioner Stephanie Vahn, Human Relations Commissioner Annette Saleh, Human Relations Commissioner Noelle Freeman, Human Services Administrator James Latta, Clinical Program Coordinator Rachel Evans, Community Services Manager Stephanie Harris, Recreation Services Manager Kristin Buhagiar, Senior Recreation Supervisor Paul Paolone, Recreation Supervisor Adrine Ovasapyan, Executive Assistant to City Council Adrienne Tarazon, Executive Assistant Aida Thau, Management Assistant Linda Kyriazi, Administrative Clerk II Jessica Barragan
Executive Director and CEO, The Wallis, Rachel Fine, Co-Founders and Co-Executive Directors, Sing for Hope, Monica Yunus and Camille Zamora, Vladimir Chernov, UCLA Department of Music, Armen Tate

1) Public Comment

- a) Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

None

2) Embrace Culture Program and Inter-Commission Collaboration

- a) Proposed New Events:
i) Proposed Beverly Hills Piano Project, Sing For Hope, a co-sponsorship between the City, the Wallis Annenberg Center for Performing Arts and New York based non-profit, Sing for Hope

Co-Founders and Co-Executive Directors, Sing for Hope, Monica Yunus and Camille Zamora presented The Sing For Hope Pianos art project consists of placing artist-designed pianos in parks and public spaces for anyone and

everyone to play. The time frame of the fall, funding, sponsorship, potential locations and the safety and security of the project was discussed.

The City Council Liaisons agreed to place this on the April 20, 2021 Study Session agenda.

- ii) Proposed Rachmoninow "RACHFEST 2023 and the First Rachmaninoff International Vocal Competition and Festival" in Celebration of Sergei Rachmaninoff's 150th Birthday Anniversary, in collaboration with Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts

Vladimir Chernov, UCLA Department of Music and Armen Tate discussed their First Rachmaninoff International Vocal Competition and Festival in addition to Rachfest 2023, in collaboration with the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts.

With the support of the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, the financial ask, the timing of 5 or 6 consecutive dates were reviewed in addition to a committee.

The City Council Liaisons agreed to schedule a meeting to discuss details and return to the Committee for a review.

3) ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: March 24, 2021 / 3:30 PM