

About the Planetary Dance

This community ritual—created by Anna Halprin in 1980—is a participatory dance in the spirit of the powerful traditional rituals that brought communities together for a vital purpose, such as calling for rain or a successful harvest. Its underlying purpose is to advance Peace among People and Peace with the Earth. Additionally, each Planetary Dance has a theme that addresses the moment.

The dance itself involves a simple run or walk, so people of varying ages and abilities can participate. Anna said, “When enough people move together in a common pulse with a common purpose an amazing force takes over—a power that can renew, inspire, teach, create and heal.”

About the Theme: Truth and Justice!

When lying and misinformation become the norm, trust may be destroyed and justice unreachable. In the face of today’s challenges, too often fictions are put forward as truth, creating confusion and division. Evidence of global warming is denied, fair election results are refuted, and inequities in human rights are dismissed. On June 4 we dance to empower each of us to call out the lies and stand up for truth and justice.

Getting to the 43rd Planetary Dance on June 4

Site Map for Elk Glen Picnic Area, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco
<https://goo.gl/maps/8Xm8t967vuf2Bm5J8>

Public Transportation and Parking

Take SF Muni N Judah line to 25th Ave. Walk north on 25th, entering park and continuing to Martin Luther King Drive, where you turn left (west). Walk about two blocks to Elk Glen Picnic Area on the right. Mallard Lake is on the left, across from Elk Glen.

Free street parking is available on Martin Luther King Drive at Elk Glen.

To Learn More and Connect

You can view a short film on the Planetary Dance, narrated by its founder, Anna Halprin, at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cq9Qvk90QvI>. This informative introduction is a poignant remembrance of the enduring creative spirit of Anna Halprin (1920–2021).

The June 4 event is produced by the Planetary Dance Committee. Please direct any inquiries to planetarydance@gmail.com or visit our website: <https://planetarydance.org/>. The event is free, but donations are greatly appreciated on the website. You can also follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PlanetaryDance>.