

# **GATHERING OUR VOICES: DANCE TO TAKE ACTION**



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## **JOIN THE 45<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PLANETARY DANCE**

**A Dance for Peace among People and Peace with the Earth**

**SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025**

**Elk Glen Picnic Area, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco**

**Gather at 11:30 a.m.—Event begins promptly at noon**

**Site/map info: <https://sfrecpark.org/920/GGP---Elk-Glen-Picnic-Area>**

**Free event for all ages and abilities, but no dogs allowed.**

**For info on Planetary Dance and donations: <https://planetarydance.org>**

## **On the Theme: Gathering Our Voices—Dance to Take Action**

What will our future look like? We are confronting an onslaught of crises—intensifying natural disasters caused by global warming, growing economic inequality, increasing political polarization, rampant misinformation, ongoing attacks on basic human rights ... the list goes on. The time for action is now. On May 31 we dance to declare our commitment to do all that we can to protect the lives of both people and the planet, and to encourage others to join us in taking action.

## **On 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.”

## **Getting to the 45th Planetary Dance on Saturday, May 31**

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 May 31 event is produced by the Planetary Dance Committee. Please direct any inquiries to [planetarydance@gmail.com](mailto: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>.