

# NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2023 Birdsong Brackenridge



# 2023 is the Year of Birdsong Brackenridge



This summer, take the time to see
Birdsong Brackenridge birdhouses
created by ten nationally
recognized architects at the McNay
Art Museum. Viewing is free and
the exhibit can be found at the
McNay's main entrance and in the
Stieren Center for Exhibitions
Sculpture Garden through the end
of November. Enjoy the offerings
of the McNay while you are there!

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# George in the Park

Earlier this summer, The
Brackenridge Park Conservancy
hired more than 160 goats from
Rent-A-Ruminant Texas to graze
their way through 6.7 acres,
providing an eco-friendly
vegetation solution to dealing with
dense undergrowth and hard to
reach areas. One goat, George,
decided to stay behind to keep an
eye on things and to learn a little
more about the park. Here he is at
the Joske Pavilion.



We will be inviting the goats back next year but in the meantime, we will be keeping George busy with his many stops at the park. Let's see where he ends up next!

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# Brackenridge Park Stakeholder Advisory Committee



City manager, Erik Walsh, has reconstituted the Brackenridge Park Stakeholder Advisory



Committee and made revisions that will broaden community input and streamline accountability in the reconciliation process. The additional members were added to ensure the Committee has representation of park users, advocates and those knowledgeable in the culture and history of the park. Assistant city

manager, Lori Houston, and BPC interim CEO, Terry Brechtel, are co-chairs for the advisory committee. Board chair Nicolas Hollis and City manager Erik Walsh will provide executive oversight. Community stakeholders will participate in the reconciliation of various plans and projects previously identified in the following plans that were developed in partnership with the community (see link below):

- Brackenridge Park Masterplan (2017)
- Brackenridge Park Cultural Landscape Plan (2021)
  - Midtown Regional Center Plan (2019)

The City will hire a consultant to reconcile and consolidate the plans with input and feedback from the Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

The result will be a reconciled project inventory for Brackenridge Park that will consolidate the goals and objectives outlined in the plans above.

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# Share Your Walk New Board/Advisory Board Members

This month we are highlighting our new hoard and advisory hoard

members. Click here to read their interview and learn more about their memories and love for Brackenridge Park.

#### **Board Members**



Claudia Salinas



Joe Calvert



Charlotte Mitchell

## Advisory Board Members



C. LeRoy Cavazos-Reyna ADVISORY BOARD



Jordan Ghawi ADVISORY BOARD



Michelle Lugalia-Hollon ADVISORY BOARD

Help welcome our new our new board and advisory board members.

Thank you for supporting the BPC!

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2023 Parktoberfest



Sunday, September 24, 2-5 p.m.

Brackenridge Park Koehler and Cypress Pavilions 3700 N. St. Mary's St. (near the Zoo entrance)

Return to the days of the German biergarten along the San Antonio River!

BPC's 12th annual Parktoberfest honors the memory of Emma Koehler of the Pearl Brewing family, who donated 11 acres to San Antonio where alcohol could be served in this part of Brackenridge Park.

We invite you to join us and enjoy live music and free beer tastings at the Koehler Pavilion, Cypress Pavilion, and Pecan Grove.

The event will include German music by Beethoven
Männerchor and jazz music from The Dirty River Jazz Band;
artists of Hausmann Millworks - A Creative Community
displaying their artwork; free craft beer samples from local
breweries; food and drinks available for purchase. The event
will also feature Charlie Staats with his Pearl Brewing
Company Memorabilia.

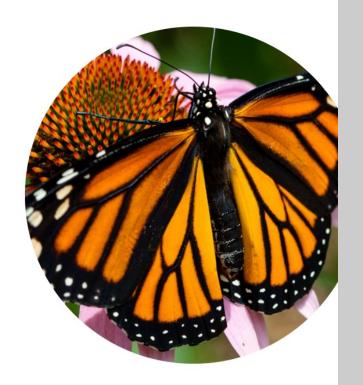
Admission to the event is free and open to the public, thanks to our sponsors: City of San Antonio Parks & Recreation Department and Trinity University's KRTU Jazz 91.7 FM.

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## 2023 BPC Events

- Monarch Butterfly and Pollinator Festival, October 7
- Solar Eclipse Watch on Alpine Drive, October 14
- Family Fishing Day, October 28

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#### **Brackenridge Park Conservancy**

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