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Re: Headlands Center for the Arts Presentation on “The Commons” Open to the Public on Sunday, September 17, 2017

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to invite sharon maidenberg, the Executive Director of the Headlands Center for the Arts to our meeting to present The Commons, the newest artist-led enhancements to its historic campus located in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. On Sunday, September 17, 2017, The Commons will open to the public with a free daytime celebration featuring art installations, live music, family-friendly activities, food trucks and more. Information about these activities from 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. may be found at www.headlands.org.

The Commons expands the multi-disciplinary art center’s services for resident artists and day visitors with more than 3,000 square feet of new programming space; three newly commissioned permanent artworks by local, national and international artists; and additional places to gather, relax and enjoy the area’s remarkable natural beauty. In addition to a more welcoming and accessible public entryway, the new central plaza included a casual outdoor amphitheater for performances and events.

A significant milestone in Headlands’ ongoing campus transformation, The Commons builds on its legacy of innovative space re-use in partnership with the National Park Service. The elegant, site-appropriate design refines the experience of visiting Headlands while honoring the campus’ sensitive natural setting and its unique history as a former military base on national park land.

The County of Marin is committed to supporting the arts and its vibrant place in our communities. Today’s presentation is an invitation to reacquaint ourselves with Headlands Center for the Arts, a dynamic and innovative arts community in southern Marin, serving the community, region and world and to make this new space known. The Commons is a “new space for place.” When we gather, we open up the possibility of finding each other and creating common ground.

Best regards,

Kate Sears
Supervisor, Southern Marin