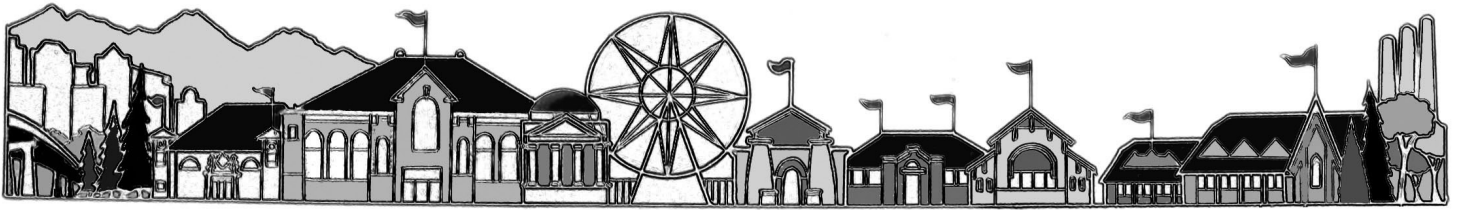


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West Side Spotlight: Angela Brown, SLUG Magazine, slugmag.com, Craft Lake City

Spring is almost here and as one of our favorite local alternative magazines SLUG (Salt Lake Underground) celebrates 27 years, we felt that it was fitting to sit down with artist, writer and uber-creative businesswoman Angela Brown. A four year resident of Fairpark with 20 years of experience working on the west side, Angela is also throwing a fabulous summer event, Craft Lake City. If you've never been, this event (8/12-14) celebrates local crafters and artists and is a wonderful festival for families, local crafters, and shoppers alike. She is expecting to see 60,000 and visitors from both in and out of state. When we spoke about Fairpark this week, she said "I feel like Fairpark is the Sugarhouse of tomorrow. It really reminds me of Sugarhouse from 10 years ago! There's so much potential and so much passion, and it's a great time to be a part of that growth. There really is momentum building on the west side. It's so close to downtown, and I love it!" Angela has been with SLUG magazine for 17 years and at the helm for 15 and said, "SLUG magazine has become a pillar of the alternative community, and it's important that we keep that independent spirit alive. We have a great team, and it is very important to us that we maintain our local voice, writing about local events, and local music." She also sits on the Business Advisory Board representing District 1, which advises the Mayor and City Council on issues affecting Salt Lake City's business community. "We get together once a month and talk about problems small businesses face. Mayor Jackie Biskupski is really paying attention to that. When we meet, we think, "How can we make it easier for small business to get the process started?" A true original, Angela's goal is to empower our community to share our voice through our art. "I think creation is a form of meditation. It's a way for us to express ourselves, relieve stress, connect with others and show something beautiful, or maybe not so beautiful," she laughs, "but art helps build our community culture." Let's use this inspiration to make Fairpark beautiful again! Submit your applications to be a vendor in Craft Lake City by April 15th.

Marmalade Branch Library Opens

Salt Lake City celebrated the grand opening of the newest city library branch in the Marmalade neighborhood on February 27th. This is the second branch library to open on the Westside of Salt Lake City in many years.

The building provides 18,600 square feet of space in its two stories, and includes a dedicated Children's Library, a teen / young adult area, a small cafe, public access computer stations, quiet reading areas, an adult collection, study rooms and a large, flexible multi-purpose room with tiered seating to allow small recitals, lectures, book signings and film viewings. The building is expected to achieve LEED Silver certification.

This new library is a great addition to our neighborhood, and we hope our residents will become regular visitors. Any Salt Lake City resident can get a library card with proof of residence. The Marmalade Library is located on 300 West and 500 North, and is open M-Th 10AM-9PM, Fri-Sat 10AM-6PM, Closed Sunday.

Community Partners Focus on Jordan River Parkway Trail and North Temple

The University Neighborhood Partnership (UNP) West Side Studio has worked alongside the neighborhoods for years and has listened to many ideas and hopes for our community. Fairpark Community Council Board Members and the UNP joined together to explore ideas and opinions from people who live in the area. These people are the treasure of the neighborhood, and their voices will help facilitate the best plan forward regarding connections between the Jordan River Parkway and North Temple.

Three topical areas were the topics of discussion in focus groups, led by Community Council leaders and facilitated by University of Utah students. Two areas involved three focus groups from Fairpark.

A Great time of year!

Don't you love it this time of year? I certainly do. Everything from the buds swelling on the fruit trees, dandelions blooming, willows and others flowering, to the birds getting more active, it sure feels like spring.

I just hope that a late frost doesn't get some of our fruit trees this year. As you may know if you read these columns, the Fairpark Community Council is hosting it's First Annual Get your garden STARTED Plant

Sale. We are starting dozens of varieties of peppers and tomatoes. Lots of heirlooms as well as several varieties of Basil. In fact, as of March 7th some of some of the Lettuce Leaf basil anxiously sprouted from seeds within the first 8 days!



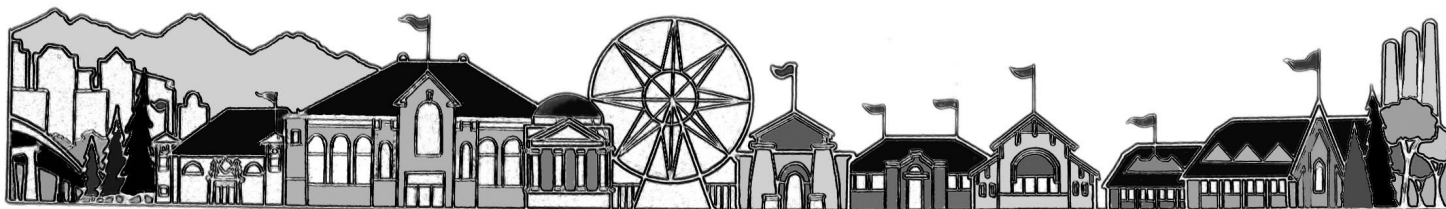
The Fairpark Community Council is your forum for learning about and addressing issues that affect your life. Please join us the 4th Thursday of every month, except July and November, 6:30 PM, at the Northwest Community Center. We welcome you to attend and participate.

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