

Launch of A City Magazine for One-Fifteenth of L.A.

“Each of Los Angeles’ 15 Council Districts has its own unique culture and economy. What do the More than you might think,” stated the opening article in the 1Voice magazine launched by Council District 1; Council Member Gil Cedillo and 1Voice writers, designers and producers, Steve Weingarten and David Okihiro. Published in English and Spanish, 1 Voice is translated by Mexican journalist, Paulina Herrera.

Members of the USC Institute for Genetic Medicine Art Gallery Advisory Council and the ECOUNTER Network of Networks attended the 1Voice Launch on Friday evening, March 20, at Council District 1’s Highland Park Office. An atmosphere of vibrant art by master printer Richard Duardo, and papel picado artist Margarita Sosa, inspired citizens of Council District and beyond to share resources, warmth and a strong desire to collaborate in diversity, creativity and passion to define LA - the Connected City. The energy was electric!

The magazine’s launch demonstrated the power of media to celebrate community successes, analyze our challenges and promote the people who make our corner of Los Angeles so vibrant. That there is much we can learn from each other was made evident. The USC Institute for Genetic Medicine Art Gallery Advisory Council and our partners within and adjacent to Council District 1 bonded in deeper commitment to establishing PEACE: Public Safety, Environment, Arts and Culture, Clean Communities, and Economic Development. These are the issues Council District 1 residents consistently tell Council Member Cedillo they care most about and to which the Council Member and our inclusive, noncompetitive, Transparent, and accountable citizen groups are totally committed.

Photos taken at the event further demonstrate the event’s message that communication is a two-way street. 1Voice has invited us all to share our thoughts on Team Cedillo and city government. Let’s bond together now to let Council District 1 leadership know what we think about how they are doing and what we have to share and leverage with them to make LA a 21st Century model of a Connected City!

Photos by Lynn Crandall



Pauline Martinez, Administrative Assistant, Division of Bioinformatics*, Health Sciences Campus, and Adviser, Robert Donin and Lincoln High School civic engagement dynamo, Vera Padilla



USC IGM Art Gallery Adviser, Fred Finnan, Pauline Martinez USC IGM Art Gallery Advisory Council Public Policy with IGM AG Chair, Robert Donin. Robert, an alum of the USC Price School of Public Policy, is a Member of the LA/Guangzhou Sister City Association and a supporter of the LA World’s Fair, FPC



Gil Cedillo explaining what we have to learn from each other and how 1Voice, Steve Weingarten, and Council District 1 Staff, help us help them help our whole community.



Social Worker, Nicole Lomas , L.C.S.W.; Lynn Crandall, Director USC IGM Art Gallery; Nils De Mol Van Otterloo, USC School of Social Work, MSW-candidate, study the 1Voice magazine and discuss cross- organization sharing and leveraging of existing resources.

*The USC Division of Bioinformatics was recently formed to address the increasingly critical role of genomics data in biomedical research. Division researchers are involved in development of new bioinformatics methodologies, as well as in collaborative research projects with other faculty inside and outside of USC.

**The IGM Art Gallery mission is to serve as an art-framed forum for open minded, deliberative discussions on complex social issues that interface with the creative process and findings of research in molecular biology, health and social systems. Since 2000, the Gallery has offered a wide range of exhibits and symposiums on the USC Health Sciences Campus. The Gallery has partnered with LAUSD, the Community College District, Local and Global Businesses, faith-based and media organizations for 15 years.