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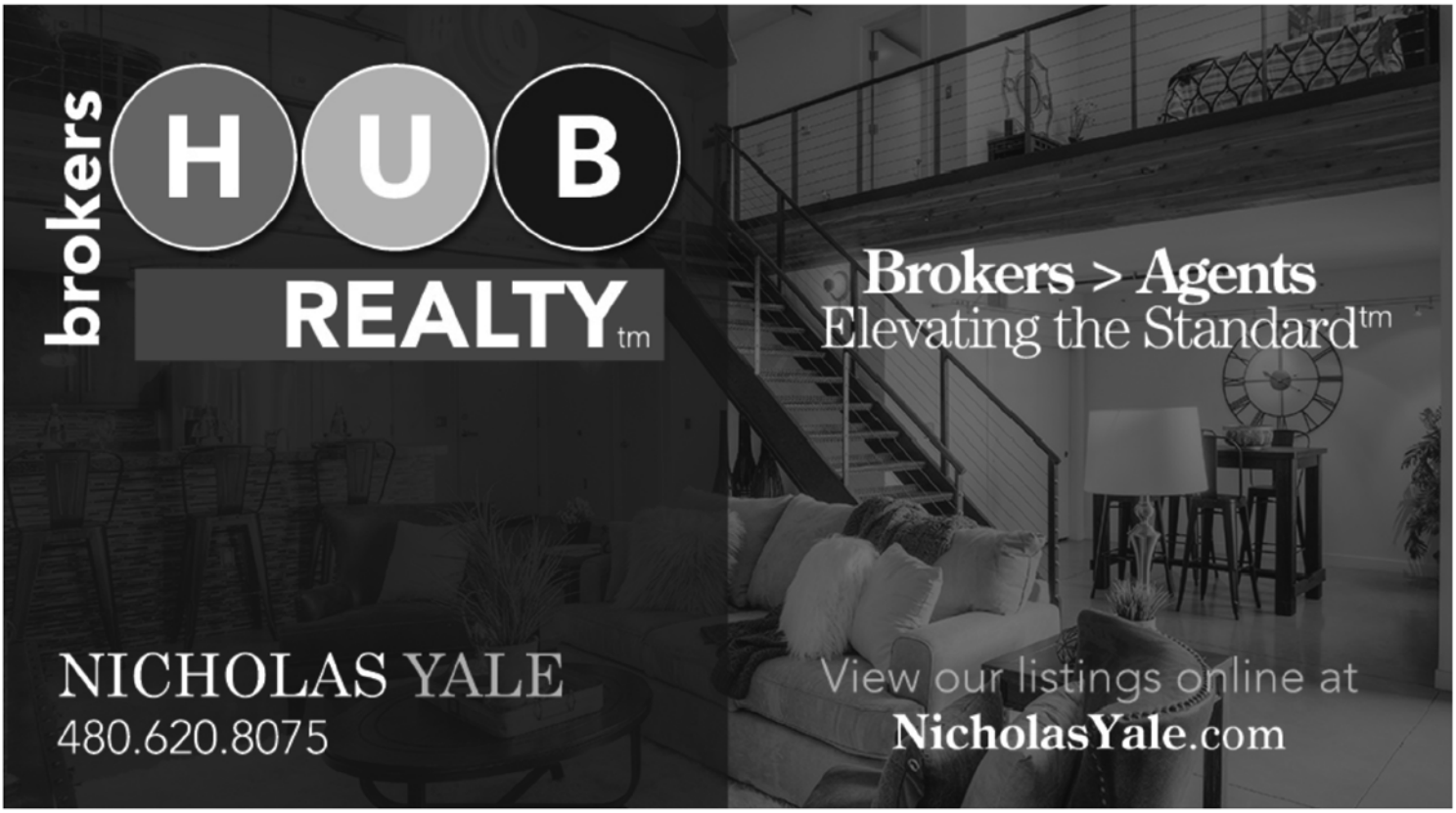


Hello Willo!

The seasons are changing and so is our real estate market. The fun of real estate statistics is that a one month trend doesn't make a trend and sometimes you really do not know if the market is pausing or stalling until 6 months down the road. A "slowdown" around this time of year is historically normal, so time will tell. If I was a betting man (hint: I am) I think this is seasonal and will pick right back up. I have several clients who have told me they have real estate dreams for 2022, so that is always a good sign. In the meantime, let's talk holidays!

I really love modern architecture. It is my jam. I love high rise condos and urban streetscape. But where my heart skips three beats is looking at a historic home decorated for the holidays. Is there anything better? There is something about those old windows with a candle burning, flickering against the leaded window glass. The C9 old fashion bulbs lining the roofline, the life-sized nutcracker next to the front door or the inflatable Santa on the roof just about to jump down the chimney. I soak it all in and love every part of it. You just can't do that in a condo, and baby cheeses, you can't have Santa and reindeer on a modern glass roofed home. So yes, Willo, you take the cake here. Live it up, decorate the hell out of your homes this year, we need some good cheer to start the season out right.

Now I know you are reading this prior to Thanksgiving, but like Costco, I like to start early! That doesn't mean I am not grateful, so here you go: I am so thankful that this year is almost over! I am grateful for my husband, my career, my brokerage and the amazing agents I work with. I am indebted to the kindness of clients, overwhelmed by the amazing things life has brought my way and in awe of what humans are capable of. Have you watched TikTok? The things people come up with keep me watching and giggling for hours. We have so much to be proud of what we have accomplished that this year we surly will celebrate! I was recently in Mexico City enjoying a much needed holiday with some great friends for a 50th birthday. (NOT MINE…I am a young spring chicken.) As I watched what was going on around me: the little kids coming to the restaurant tables selling gum and candy, the old lady sitting next to the subway stop begging for money and the object poverty everywhere you looked, it made me feel blessed to live where I do. Of course, Mexico City has some amazing places, and it stuck me with such awe to see extreme wealth and poverty seemingly live side by side. Kinda like the border between our two countries. We have such opportunity here and I sincerely hope that you take advantage of the privilege we have and lend a hand to those without. Take the rest of the year and make it a goal to be kind, have patience, give time and treasure, and decorate your house. For my pleasure if nothing else, decorate!

Dr. Robert L. Cannon

# Willo Coming Events

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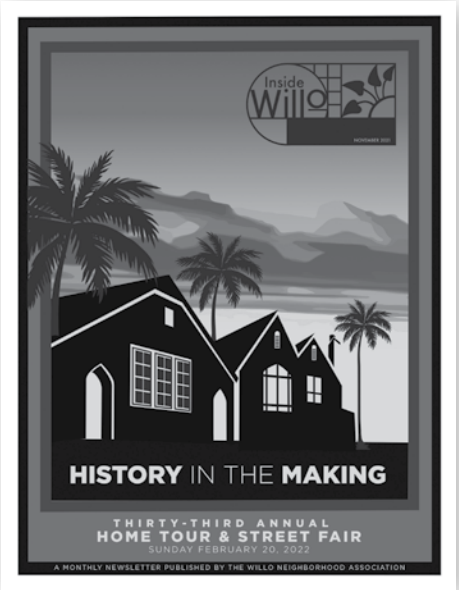


**IT'S NOVEMBER. OUR BEAUTIFUL** fall weather is here, and our Willo holiday events are going strong.

## HOLIDAY LUMINARIAS:

The dates for this year's display are Thursday, December 23rd, through Christmas on Saturday, December 25th. This year, we applied for and are fortunate to have been provided a Block Watch grant by the City of Phoenix. This grant includes funding for the Luminarias, which are budgeted for $4500.00. Thanks to this funding, the Willo Neighborhood Association will not be asking for donations to fund the Luminarias project. (article on page 7)

If you would like to make a financial donation to the Willo Neighborhood Association, please consider purchasing Home Tour tickets, see below.

## HOME TOUR 2022:

Here we go! Willo will be the first of the historic neighborhoods to have a Home Tour in 2022. We are fortunate to have many volunteers and gracious homeowners willing to open their homes for this year's tour. As we all continue to adjust to Covid and learn how to manage the "new normal," organizing, operating, and executing the Willo Home Tour, 2022 will be a fun adventure for everyone.

We look forward to welcoming our Willo guests back into the neighborhood on President's Day weekend in February of 2022.

Your support, participation, and time if you would like to volunteer, are essential as we move forward with our plans to successfully return to the largest historic home tour in the City of Phoenix.

Please consider purchasing at least 1 Willo Home Tour ticket for only $18.00 to support your neighborhood. Keep in mind that with NO home tour in 2021, we did not earn any income to support the neighborhood. Tickets can be purchased directly on WILLOPHX.COM. The discounted prices expire soon! (article on page 18)

## 3RD/5TH AVENUES:

We are now almost to year 5 of this long process. I know I may sound like a broken record, but still, we are growing increasingly impatient with the City regarding the financial commitment to fund the 3rd/5th Avenue redesign. At the September WNA Meeting, the Board voted unanimously to provide me with a budget of 3K to discuss this issue with experts to continue moving forward.

## WNA BOARD MEETING:

Our November meeting agenda is on page 17. We will continue to meet both in person and simultaneously via ZOOM for the November and December meetings.

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The Willo Historic Neighborhood Association Board was established in the early 1980s. The members are volunteers and are elected every two years in March. The association does not collect dues and is not a Home Owners' Association (HOA). Rather, its function is to serve the collective well being of the neighborhood. Meetings are typically held the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Fairfield Inn and Suites Hotel. All residents of Willo are invited to attend. Agendas are available online prior to the meeting at willophx.com.

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This free newsletter is published monthly (excluding July & August) by a committee headed by Willo volunteers. Willo neighbors are encouraged to submit neighborhood news, tidbits, photos and articles (between 250-500 words) by the 10th of each month. We reserve the right to: edit as needed, attribute to the submitting neighbor (with the street they live on where appropriate), determine which issue the information may be printed and use content on our website and in neighborhood promotional materials. The Willo Neighborhood Association is not responsible for nor endorses the editorial content in *Inside Willo*. *Inside Willo* does not accept political campaign ads. A copy of *Inside Willo* is also posted to the Willo website each month.

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# Luminaria 2021

BY CARI PAYNE (LEWIS)

**I REALLY PICKED THE WRONG** month to eat right. Halloween is a mere 2 weeks away and giant bags of corn-syrup mixed with cocoa are everywhere. Trying to be a Spartan in these times is too hard! Thankfully Christmas is coming soon, which means the temptations of Halloween candy won't be everywhere, and it will be time to prepare for Luminaria 2021.

Luminaria Committee Chair Chris Norton and I are planning for a 3-night display this year: THU DEC 23 – SAT DEC 25, tear down SUN DEC 26.

More of the LED tea lights this year will have timers; on 6 hours, off 18 hours, repeat. These maintain their brightness for the entire event and preserve battery-life so we believe you can use the same batteries again in 2022! That's pretty resourceful and who doesn't appreciate that? Regardless, all tea lights are switched on once on the first night and left on until after Christmas. The distribution of paper bags, wax bags, sand, lights, and batteries will be the same as is was last year, and of course mask-wearing is supported if that makes you more comfortable on pick-up day.

**WE WANT YOU**

Willo appreciates you and your donation of time. As always, Luminaria happens because of you! This year, the plan is to set out 225 paper bags per block on Thursday, December 23rd, and have the lights glow three nights, including Christmas night. On Sunday, December 26th, we ask that all supplies be cleaned up and the LED tea lights be returned to us for storage and reuse next year. Willo also recycles the spent batteries from last year. If you would like to set up and use wax tea lights, please let us know in advance. A sign-up sheet to volunteer as a block captain will be posted to the WilloPHX.com website in the coming weeks and published in the December issue of *Inside Willo*.

The COVID-19 pandemic is seemingly not as fierce as it was last year, but it's not over either. Chris and I recommend you follow CDC guidelines for protecting yourself and your loved ones. If you have a build-party, consider doing it outside. We know how much work goes into the setup and placement of these lanterns, and as always, your fellow Willo residents GREATLY appreciate anyone and everyone who volunteers to be a block captain or help in any way possible.

Prior to 2020, the Phoenix Spokes People hosted a bike-ride through our neighborhood during Luminaria. They have been out and about in 2021, so visit www.phoenixspokespeople.org for more information on a possible 2021 Luminaria bike ride. Or, host a private bike-ride party with a small group of friends if a large bike ride is out of the question. Luminaria is as much about family & friends as it is beauty and creativity. Chris and I look forward to seeing all of you around the neighborhood in the coming weeks, and to another holiday filled with lights! ●

Bulk Trash

# BULK TRASH PICK UP

BY BITSY SUSICH (GRANADA)

Clear out your garage or yard as the weather cools and put debris or unwanted items in the alley for Bulk Trash. Alley placement begins November 6th and collection starts November 15th. ■ Bulk trash consists of materials that are too large and cannot be placed in the garbage or recycling containers. Materials such as furniture, large appliances, mattresses, toilets, and large amounts of vegetation are often considered bulk trash. ■ For specifics visit www.phoenix.gov/publicworks/bulktrash ●

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# EXERCISE & AGING: Cognitive Function and Brain Health

BY SHERYL HAARMAN (PALM LANE)

**WE ALL KNOW THAT EXERCISE** improves our physical fitness, but staying in shape can also boost our brainpower and thinking skills. Any type of physical activity has an extensive, long-lasting influence on cognitive performance and boosts brain health by helping memory and thinking. Even better news is that for generally healthy people, exercising regularly can enhance brain function over a lifetime—not just right after a workout!

As we age... Researchers have long understood that exercise improves people's cognitive performance, including executive functioning, attention and memory, and brain structure. In older adults especially, physical activity has been shown to increase the size of the hippocampus (the part of the brain responsible for memory) and improve learning ability. Strength training can increase brain power across our lifespan, but the effects are the strongest in older adults. In one study, when men and women ages 55 through 86 with mild impairment performed twice-weekly weight training for six months, they significantly improved their scores on cognitive tests. Many research studies have shown that the parts of the brain that control thinking and memory are larger in volume in people who exercise than in people who don't. Even more exciting is the finding that engaging in a consistent program of moderate-intensity exercise over just 6 months to a year is associated with a notable increase in brain function. The key is getting the blood flowing through high-intensity training, which increases oxygen and other nutrients to the brain. For a double brain benefit, try resistance training which consists of focused movements, requiring learning and memorizing new skills and movement patterns.

Researchers found that vigorous exercise was associated with a host of benefits for people with mild cognitive impairment. They improved their cerebral blood flow, memory, and executive function. There is strong evidence of a connection between exercise and reducing the risk of Alzheimer's and dementia. Exercise also can reduce both insulin resistance and inflammation. It stimulates the growth of new brain cells and blood vessels in the brain while also sparing age-related loss of brain tissue.

Much of the research done on exercise and cognitive health has studied walking as a form of exercise. Or you can consider other moderate-high intensity exercises, such as weight training, swimming, stair climbing, tennis, or dancing. Don't forget that even household activities and chores can count for something- anything that gets your heart pumping so that you break out in a light sweat.

Exercise can also boost memory and thinking indirectly by improving mood, sleep and reducing stress and anxiety. Problems in these areas frequently cause or contribute to cognitive impairment. We will get into these areas in next month's *Inside Willo*.

The takeaway? Working on improving your fitness skills could improve your cognitive ability, including your memory and problem-solving skills. Whatever types of exercise you choose, commit to establishing a habit. Exercise is indeed medicine! ●

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# Recent Willo Zoning Committee Updates

BY TOM DOESCHER (CAMBRIDGE)

**DUKES PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIO:**
The Developer requested a continuance to November 23rd, 2021, in order to explore alternative uses for the property.

**78 W CYPRESS STREET:**
Request to build a five-foot pool fence was continued to December 23rd at 1:30 pm because he did not properly notify the neighbors. The committee opposes the construction of a front yard pool fence.

**KINGS BEER AND WINE SIGN:**
The city allowed the installation of the improper sign. The Transit Overlay District only allows 12-inch lettering and a 24-inch logo, with which this sign did not comply. The Zoning Adjustment Hearing Officer granted the sign after the fact. Willo asked that the sign's color temperature be lowered to 3000K and 40 Nits and dimmed at 10 pm. The color temperature and brightness were left as installed, and dimming at 10 pm was granted. This action makes the Kings sign brighter than either the BMO or U-Haul signs. The committee is exploring with other neighborhood groups to support lower color temps and brightness in midtown as the Board has directed.

**309 W MONTE VISTA:**
On Sept. 21, 2021 a Certificate of Appropriateness was approved by the Historic Preservation Hearing Officer for construction of a two-story garage/yoga studio in the rear yard at 309 W. Monte Vista. On Sept. 24th the Willo Zoning Committee appealed the Hearing Officer's decision. At the October 14, 2021 Willo Neighborhood Association meeting, the Willo Board unanimously voted to authorize Robert Cannon, Willo Board President to send a letter to the Historic Preservation Commission in support of the appeal. A copy of the letter is posted on willophx.com. On October 18, 2021 the City of Phoenix Historic Preservation Commission unanimously voted to grant the homeowners' request for a continuance. The appeal is expected to be heard by the Historic Preservation Commission on November 15, 2021. Please check willophx.com for updates. ●

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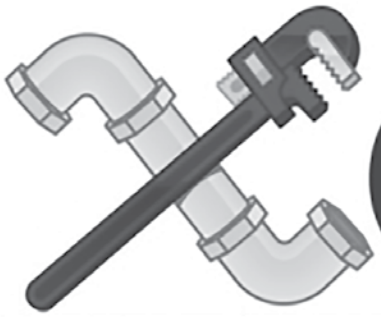

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## *In and Around Willo*

**Add these to your calendars to stay up-to-date for all of theneighborhood information, events, and fun.**

## NOVEMBER 2021

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3:
**WILLO FOOD TRUCK [MR. WONDERFULS C&W AZ] WEDNESDAYS, 5:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.** , Walton Park, Monte Vista & 3rd Avenue (streetfoodfinder.com/WilloWednesdays)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12:
**WILLO HAPPY HOUR, 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.** Home of Wylie and Lauren Carhartt, 518 W. Cypress. **Due to the pandemic, Happy Hour guests are asked not to bring drinks and snacks to SHARE, but of course may bring their own drinks and snacks. Please note that happy hours will also be outdoor events, in the hosts' backyards, and it is recommended that guests be fully vaccinated prior to attending. If you are not feeling well, please do not attend. Any changes to these events will be communicated as soon as possible.*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10:
■ **WILLO FOOD TRUCK [MUNCH BOX] WEDNESDAYS, 5:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.** Walton Park, Monte Vista & 3rd Avenue (streetfoodfinder.com/WilloWednesdays)

■ **WILLO HOME TOUR 2022 MEETING. SOCIAL HOUR 6 P.M., MEETING 6:30 P.M.** Home of John & Barsha Shepherd, 321 W. Monte Vista.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11:
**WILLO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING, 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.,** Fairfield Inn & Suites, on the corner of Central and Virginia & ZOOM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17:
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25:
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## LOOKING AHEAD TO DECEMBER 2021

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10:
**WILLO HAPPY HOUR, 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.** Hosted by Nikki Armstrong and Al Arpad, 544 W. Granada - *for guests age 21 and over.*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23-25:
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# Willo Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

# NOVEMBER 11, 2021

## (THURSDAY)

## 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fairfield Inn & Suites (Virginia and Central)

**IN-PERSON MEETING AND VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM**

Instructions for Zoom Access located on Willophx.Com

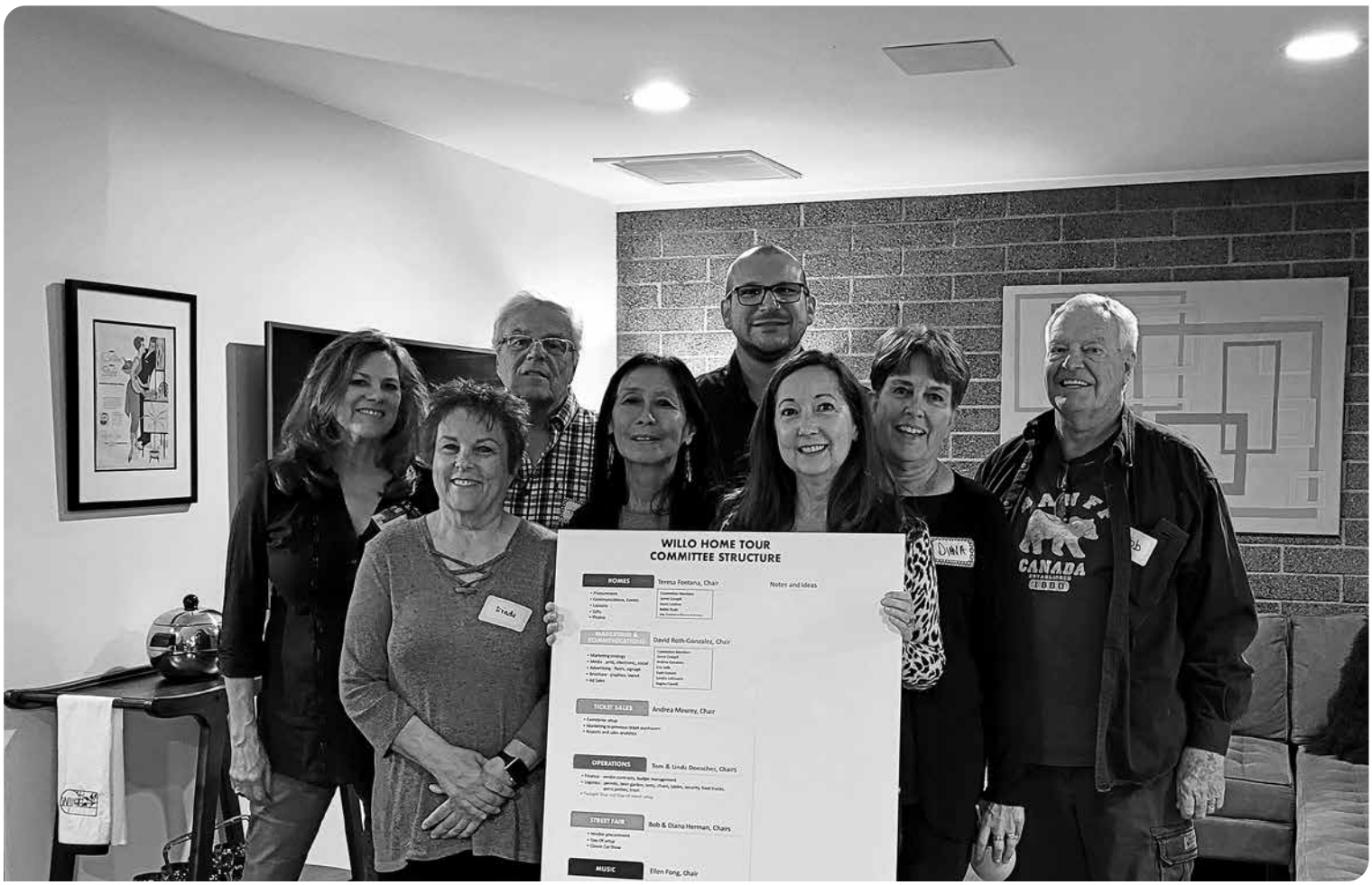
**Welcome and Introductions**
Dr. Robert Cannon, President
**Approval of Recent Minutes**
Opal Wagner, Secretary
**Presentation of Financials**
Linda Doescher, Treasurer
**Luminarias for the Holiday 2021**
Chris Norton, Chair
**Home Tour 2022**
Jamie Cowgill and Theresa Fontana, Chairs
**Update on 3rd/5th Avenue**
Opal Wagner, Board Member
**Block Watch**
Brad Brauer, Vice President & Officer Ben Harris

**Zoning**
Tom Doescher, Chair
**Social Committee**
Nikki Armstrong, Chair
**Willo Book**
Diana Herman, Chair
***Inside Willo***
Sandra Lefcovich, Board Member
**Social Sites/Communication**
Jeremy Schachter, Board Member
**Willo Kids Club Event**
Willo Kids Club
**Other Committees as Needed**
**Old Business**
**New Business**

***AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***

Minutes from previous month's meeting available on WILLOPHX.COM

NEXT MEETING IS ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021
THE MEETING WILL BE 90 MINUTES OR LESS




# Willo Home Tour 2/20/22

BY TERESA FONTANA (MONTE VISTA)

**IN THIS ISSUE OF *INSIDE WILLO*,** we want to take a moment to highlight all the planning and work that goes into hosting a successful home tour. As we have many new residents to Willo, and this event is such an essential part of our community, we think it is important to provide some background and more information on what the annual home tour is all about.

## WHAT IS THE ANNUAL WILLO HOME TOUR?

We have one of Phoenix's most beautiful and oldest historic neighborhoods, and we host an annual tour that celebrates our unique neighborhood. Every year, we invite visitors to come out and enjoy a beautiful day of live music, street vendors, food trucks, beer/wine garden, and a classic car show. With the purchase of a ticket, visitors can also go inside carefully selected homes to highlight the various architecture and styles that exist in Willo. We will also be featuring several of these homes in the December through February issues of Inside Willo. Please visit the Home Tour page on WILLOPHX.COM to get a preview of some of the homes that will be on tour this February. We are the first of the historic neighborhoods to bring back the tour since the pandemic began, and we will be following all recommended CDC guidelines.

## WHEN IS THE HOME TOUR, AND WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

■ **TWILIGHT TOUR - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH FROM 4-7 PM** – This event is geared for the neighborhood and is usually considered a "dry run" for the Sunday tour and street fair; only 500 tickets will be sold for this event. There is also a party at Walton Park (3rd Ave and Holly)

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from 7-10 pm to enjoy the Rock the Block and the beer and wine tent, and a DJ will be providing music.

**■ HOME TOUR AND STREET FAIR – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM**

This event is open to the public. We typically have 3,000 – 4,000 people attend. There will be street closures on Holly and Monte Vista and part of 3rd Avenue to allow food trucks, vendors, classic car show, pedestrian traffic, main stage music activities, and more! Expect to experience a vibrant and fun-filled day for all.

## WHY DO WE DO IT? HOW DOES IT BENEFIT THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

Willo has been hosting home tours for over 30 years, so it has become a very well-known tradition with visitors coming in from all over the country. Keeping these traditions alive helps to build a sense of community and continued pride in our neighborhood.

The Home Tour is the primary fundraiser for the Willo Neighborhood Association, which was formed to support the Willo Conservation Plan*. With Home Tour funds, the WNA supports neighborhood programs such as Kids Club, Historic Preservation, Holiday Luminarias, Welcome Committee, *Inside Willo* magazine, website support, and social events, to name a few.

**See WILLOPHX.COM*

## WHAT ARE THE KEY COMMITTEES, AND WHAT DO THEY DO?

The tour typically consists of two Co-Chairs to drive the overall planning and execution. It is definitely a full-time job, as I have discovered after volunteering to co-chair this year!

## OUR COMMITTEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**HOMES** (procurement, communications, liaison and docent training, gifts, brochure photography, homeowner events) The Team consists of Teresa Fontana, Jamie Cowgill, Jason Lindner, Jon Fontana, Bobbi Ryals, Jenny Jones, and Diana Herman.

**OPERATIONS** (permits, tent/furniture rentals, security, food trucks, beer/wine garden, finance, contracts, transportation, etc.) The Team consists of Tom and Linda Doescher.

**STREET FAIR** (vendor procurement, day-of

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**The next Home Tour Committee Meeting will be Wednesday, November 10th. Social hour to begin at 6:00 pm, meeting at 6:30 at the home of John and Barsha Shepherd, 321 Monte Vista.**

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setup, classic car show) The Team consists of Bob and Diana Herman.

**PR/MARKETING** (press releases, print, and electronic media, social media, brochure, ad sales, signage, flyers, volunteer t-shirts) The Team consists of Andrea Katsenes, David Roth-Gonzales, Jamie Cowgill, and Eric Sells.

**TICKET SALES** (Eventbrite set up, marketing to previous ticket holders, reporting sales to co-chairs) Andrea Meury is our ticket sales lead.

**VOLUNTEERS** (setting up sign-up software, recruitment, and training of volunteers) Lisa Naccarato is the lead. We still have an opening for a co-chair.

**MUSIC** (securing musicians for the main stage, DJ for the twilight tour stage, and individual home entertainment) Ellen Fong is our music lead.

**TWILIGHT TOUR/ROCK THE BLOCK** (set up and maintenance/cleanup for the Saturday afternoon/evening events) This is an open position.

## HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

We are so glad you asked this question and are reading this section! As you see above, we have a couple of open chair positions (Volunteer and Twilight Tour/Rock the Block). Please get in touch with 2022willohometour@gmail.com if you are interested in either of these roles. We will need a majority of volunteers during both the twilight tour and the day-of tour to help with ticket sales, checking IDs at the beer and wine tent, doing street cleanup during and after the tour, helping with day-of set up, and docents for homeowners.

An easy sign-up software will be in place for you to go in and select your desired job and the times you can commit to volunteer. We will provide training and support, and it is a lot of fun! In early December, we will be posting a link to the sign-up site on the Official Willo Historic Neighborhood Facebook page and WILLOPHX.COM. We will also publish more about how to sign up in the December Inside Willo issue.

As an alternative to volunteering, or in addition to being a volunteer, you can also help by purchasing a ticket to either the Twilight Tour or the Sunday tour, which will directly support the neighborhood. Please consider doing both, if you can. You don't want to miss this opportunity to tour these spectacular homes.

Thank you for reading this article and for your support of the Willo Neighborhood Association! ●

## HERE'S WHAT OUR PAST VOLUNTEERS HAD TO SAY:

**"Bob and I have lived in Willo for 26 years and we have volunteered for numerous Willo events and activities over the years. We fell in love with the neighborhood on our very first visit to search for a house to purchase. Neighbors popped out of their homes to greet us as we house hunted touting the benefits of living in this historic neighborhood. After we moved in, we realized this truly was an amazing neighborhood unlike any neighborhood we had ever lived in. We volunteer to help preserve the historical architectural integrity of the homes and neighborhood. We volunteer for Home Tour because A. it's fun!!! B. it's a great way to meet our fantastic neighbors and C. it helps promote and support the Willo neighborhood events and activities."**
**BOB AND DIANA HERMAN**

**"I got involved to help ensure that our neighborhood and its historic designation remains intact, so that our homes will still be recognized as cherished homes for generations to come. This takes supporting and reinforcing the architectural integrity of the various architectural styles from the 20's through the 60's. And this is by educating the people who come to the home tour that history is important, and it is beautifully displayed through the homes we select to represent us all."**
**JAMIE COWGILL**

**"We love Willo! Volunteering for Willo allows us to "give back" to the neighborhood and be an integral part of this great community. Home Tour is great fun, we get to meet other residents and share stories of the houses. Home Tour is the only Willo fundraiser ... and a successful Home Tour supports Kids Club activities, Luminarias in December, the Willo Yard Sale, Block Watch, and so much more. To us, it is our duty to volunteer and help make it happen."**
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**WITH THE FALL WEATHER HERE**, more neighbors are walking their dogs around Willo. Unfortunately, we have seen a lot of dogs off-leash... even if the dog is fully trained and has a good recall, walking off-leash could cause problems for the dog and the dog owner.

Please remember that not all dogs (or humans) you come across are friendly or well-trained and will not like or tolerate an uncontrolled dog. The last thing you want is for your dog to get hurt by another dog or human...

Please, keep your dogs leashed and under control at all times; not only is this a city law*, but it is also potentially dangerous for both you and your dog! ●

** City of Phoenix Leash Law. 8-14 Dogs not permitted at large; wearing licenses; penalties. No dog shall be permitted at large... The dog is restrained by a leash, chain, rope, or cord of not more than six feet in length and of sufficient strength to control the dog.*

Art

# Oscar Munoz at Phoenix Art Museum

BY KYLE ARMSTRONG, GUEST WRITER AND WILLO RESIDENT (EDGEMONT)

**ON DISPLAY NOW AT THE** Phoenix Art Museum is work by Colombian artist Oscar Muñoz. Entitled *Invisibilia*, Muñoz's show can be found in the Katz Wing for Modern Art. This monumental exhibition is considered a retrospective of Muñoz's career, with pieces spanning from 1976 to the present day.

Born in 1951, Oscar Muñoz was raised in one of the most populous metropolises of Colombia, Santiago de Cali. Growing up, his artistic ability was nurtured by parents who encouraged creativity and expression through multiple art forms. He remained in Cali throughout the intense expansion and transformation that occurred in the 70s and 80s and witnessed much tragedy due to cartel violence. The turmoil would end up having an immense impact on the significance behind his work. At the start of his artistic career, Muñoz followed artistic themes of the time, such as the integration of photographic and video technology into gallery displays.

Over the years, these processes would be consistently utilized in his art and translated to current patterns, keeping with his personal stylistic aesthetic.

*Invisibilia* pays tribute to those who have disappeared or been lost due to cartel conflict while honing in on aspects of humanhood, maintaining individuality, and identifying precisely what it means to exist among other people.

Through the use of multi-dimensional materials, Muñoz creates an atmosphere that is forebodingly tangible, a space that asserts the importance of identity and seeing oneself in others. He utilizes an interplay between light and shadow to present his ghostly, seemingly transparent imagery. Unconventional methods and materials such as photoengraving, pyroengraving, video projection, water, sugar cubes, mirrors, and charcoal dust are applied as just a few of Muñoz's creative means.

The contrast employed by the artist in such a wide-open space can cause some of these pieces to have an ambiguous effect, so be sure to take time to investigate each one from multiple angles within the restricted perimeters. This exhibition highlighting Muñoz's decade-spanning portfolio is on display through January 16th, 2022.

**GENERAL ADMISSION:**
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| 337 W Lewis | ACTIVE | $646,000 |
| 338 W Encanto | ACTIVE | $650,000 |
| 25 W Wilshire | ACTIVE | $815,000 |
| 82 W Virginia | ACTIVE | $899,500 |
| 501 W Monte Vista | ACTIVE | $939,500 |
| 66 W Vernon | ACTIVE | $975,000 |
| 338 W Lewis | PENDING | $599,900 |
| 526 W Windsor | PENDING | $875,000 |
| 305 W Cypress | PENDING | $950,000 |
| 509 W Coronado | SOLD | $605,000 |
| 315 W Windsor | SOLD | $662,500 |
| 48 W Cambridge | SOLD | $665,000 |

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# Willo Kids Club Events

BY VALERIE LANE (LEWIS)

**WE HAD A GREAT "BACK TO** School Bash Event" on September 18th. The "Old School Ice Cream Bus" gave out around 80 ice cream cones to kids and parents who joined in the fun. Thanks to everyone who came to kick off this school year with a great event.

We are looking forward to our coming events with the Annual Halloween Parade on the same night as the Celebrate Willo Event. We also look forward to participating in the Holiday Lights Bicycle Ride and a January Winter Event. Look for Evite's in your email* or check the Willo Kids Club Facebook Page and WILLOPHX.COM for upcoming events.

November is National Gratitude Month. I know myself and the parents of Willo Kids Club are so very grateful to grow up in a community where everyone is involved and participating in the development of our little people. We are teaching our children the value of community, friendship, togetherness, and love across all ages.

We would like our kids to write and or draw Thank You cards for our Willo Neighborhood Association Board. Feel free to personalize the cards or write to the Board as a whole. We will present the cards at the December Willo Board Meeting. Please drop by or send these cards to the address below by December 1st.

*Valerie Lane*
*53 W. Lewis Ave.*
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We thank you for all of the hard work you put in year after year and for keeping our neighborhood thriving. ●

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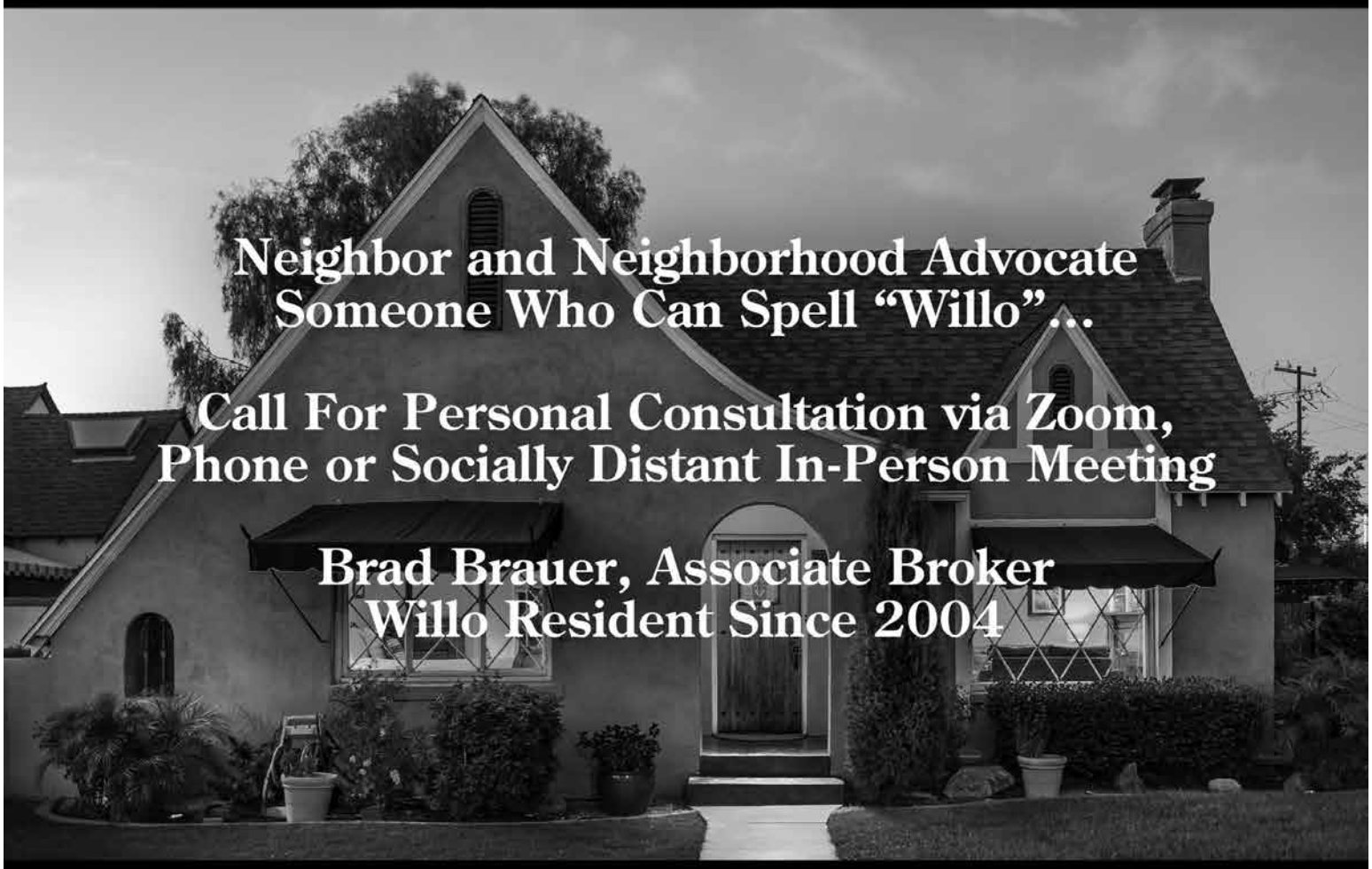


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- 102 W. Granada
- 336 W. Virginia
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- 45 W. Virginia
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- 130 W. Palm
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- 127 W. Granada
- 535 W. Wilshire
- 301 W. Vernon
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