

ANNUAL MEETING AND VIRTUAL TOUR

Berkeley Paths Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 18,1:30 to 3 pm, on Zoom

Agenda

1:30-2 pm: Annual update on the paths and the BPWA Board

2-2:45 pm: Virtual walking tour of South Berkeley

2:45-3 pm: Questions and discussion



South Berkeley: Virtual Walking Tour

Join us for a fun and interesting virtual walking tour (on Zoom) of South Berkeley, featuring the historic Lorin and Ashby neighborhoods around Ashby BART and San Pablo Park. Due to redlining, South Berkeley residents were predominantly Black, Asian, and people of color. Famous area residents include William Byron Rumford, California's first Black assemblyperson and architect of the

state's Fair Housing law; community transportation activist Mable Howard; Lois the Pie Queen; and her daughter, gospel singer Tramaine Hawkins. The neighborhood boasts historic churches and architecture, colorful murals, lively parks, and much more. The tour is led by Bob Johnson and Janet Byron, co-authors of <u>Berkeley</u> <u>Walks</u>, and Tina Jones Williams (pictured), author of the Julia Street Series of books, based on her childhood in South Berkeley.

Please click here to register in advance for the webinar, so that we know how many people will be attending. You may register up until and on the day of the meeting. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

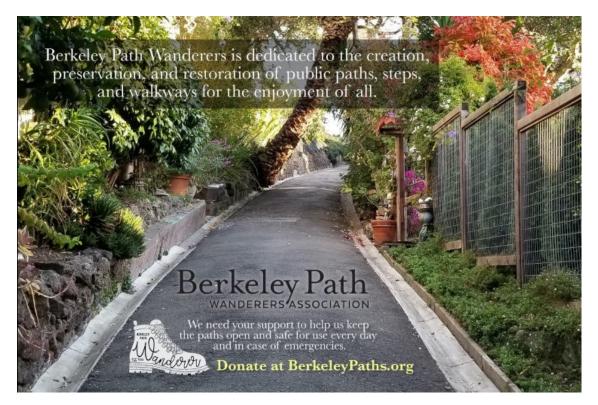
BERKELEY WALKS SPECIAL

Special offer: Signed copies of Berkeley Walks

In honor of Bob Johnson and Janet
Byron's upcoming virtual walk at our
annual meeting (Sunday, October 18), we
are offering a special on their book,
Berkeley Walks. Purchase copies of the
2nd edition, signed by both authors, for
\$18 (retail price \$19.95) with free
delivery in Berkeley, Albany,
Kensington and North Oakland. Please
click here to purchase.



WANTED: BPWA BOARD MEMBERS



Wanted: Path lovers to serve on BPWA's board

Do you treasure the public paths and stairways of Berkeley? Do you have a few hours a month to dedicate to the paths? If so, please consider joining our board of directors, the dynamic, dedicated volunteers who keep BPWA going strong — and have fun in the process!

The board meets 10 times a year to plan our events, allocate money for path-building and improvements, and tackle the other tasks that keep our nonprofit, all-volunteer organization running smoothly. Our board also fosters relationships with Berkeley agencies, including, most recently, the Office of Emergency Services. The time commitment is about 4 hours a month.

We especially need new board members for the following jobs:

Production editor and webmaster

We're looking for someone (or perhaps two people) to help us manage our e-mail marketing platform (Mail Chimp) and website (Squarespace); we will train you to use these.

Grants coordinator

Help us to identify, apply for, and secure funding from the city and other sources to continue our work restoring and upgrading Berkeley's paths.

Please <u>email</u> us if you are interested in joining the board starting in January 2021. Board terms are for two years, with a potential extension of another two years if desired.

STEP IT UP - 5 NEW WALKS

STEP IT UP: An Adventurer's Guide to Forty Walks on the Paths, Trails, and Streets of Berkeley and Beyond

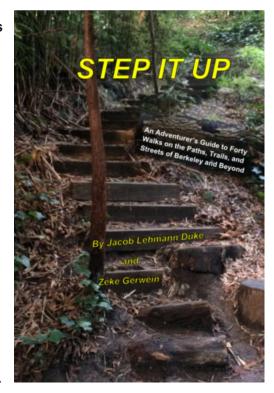
by Jacob Lehmann-Duke and Zeke Gerwein

Berkeley Path Wanderers Association is honored to publish this exciting new book of 40 walks in Berkeley and beyond. We're posting 5 new walks each month until the whole book is available online.

NEW IN OCTOBER:

Paths of the Flats (1)
The Kensington Loop (3)
Every Path in Berkeley, Part Five (3)
Surprises of the Berkeley Hills (4+)
All the Paths North of Marin (5)

To download PDFs of all currently available walks, visit the <u>Table of Contents</u>.



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INTERSECTIONS: ART ON THE PATHS



Although Intersections: Art on the Paths is now over, you can experience the art on the Intersections <u>website</u>, read about it on <u>Berkeleyside</u>, or watch the Intersections <u>Artist Conversation</u>, moderated by Susan Moffatt, on YouTube. Our many thanks to Hadley Dynak of <u>PEAK86</u> for this inspiring and fun collaboration to bring art to Berkeley's paths.

SELF-GUIDED WALKS

Online resources for self-guided Berkeley walks



Many folks are walking closer to home these days, and our <u>self-guided walks</u> page is getting lots of traffic. We are happy to provide these resources, and hope you are enjoying your solo and/or socially distanced explorations.

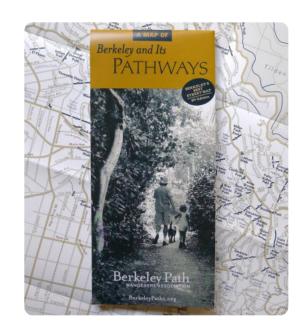
Left, a stone house at 2595 Piedmont, on Ron Sipherd's Willard neighborhood walk.

BUY OUR MAP

Simply the Best Map of Berkeley

With proper social distancing and maskwearing, walking is one of the best ways to ease the anxiety and "cooped-up-ness" of sheltering in place. Not surprisingly, our map has been flying off the shelves during the coronavirus pandemic.

If you want to get out of the house and explore Berkeley on foot, *Berkeley and Its Pathways* is hands-down simply the best map of Berkeley. This sturdy, detailed and beautiful map features the entire city — including neighborhoods without a lot of paths — plus all 136 of the picturesque public stairways, ramps, and foot paths that make walking in our city so engaging.



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Berkeley Path Wanderers Association



Berkeley Path Wanderers Association (BPWA) is a community organization of people who treasure the public pathways that crisscross our city. <u>Learn</u> More

The BPWA board meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month, 7:30 to 9 p.m., virtually until further notice. Guests are welcome! Please contact info@berkeleypaths.com for more information.

Your generosity enables us to build more paths and to hold fun events on the paths. **Donate Now**







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