

Report on Diversity Awareness Projects EHRAC Meeting 4/28/26

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Summary:

The Diversity Awareness Ad Hoc Subcommittee seeks to create a webpage for the City website which highlights and educates visitors about culturally significant locations in Culver City. The webpage would feature the following:

1. **The Kunisawa family and farm**, located on the land where Farragut Elementary, Culver City Middle School and Culver City High School currently stand;
2. **Sebastian's Cotton Club**, with a rich musical history that included performances by prominent African American artists
3. **Pacific Electric Labor Camp**, which was located in the area of the Warner Media building, where countless Latinos resided for decades;
4. **The Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California** lived and worked throughout the area, their ancestral land. The banks of Guashna, now known as Ballona Creek, where these people lived and worked for millennia. Member Rona has spoken to a local expert, and will provide more information.

The 'Diversity Awareness' webpage would be created exactly like the <https://www.culvercity.org/Explore/Arts-Culture> page, located under the "Explore" "Arts & Culture" page of the City website.

UPDATE

One of the four articles, PE Camp, is complete, however we are in the process of obtaining the correct releases for the photos. We are waiting to hear back from the Historical Society and Chacon family.

The second narrative regarding the Gabrielino Tongva Indians is almost complete - and will be shared with the City historian for feedback.

The third and fourth narrative regarding Sebastian's Cotton Club and the Kunisawa Farm still require more historical investigation. An update will be given at the next EHRAC meeting.