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Artists Present Proposal Designs for Kip Tiernan Memorial
Rosie’s Place Hosts Public Presentations April 8 at Boston Public Library

(BOSTON) – Rosie’s Place, in coordination with the Boston Art Commission, will host public presentations from four artists competing to design a permanent commemorative installation honoring Rosie’s Place founder and activist Kip Tiernan on Monday, April 8th from 4:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Boston Public Library, Orientation Room, 700 Boylston Street, Boston. The schedule of artist presentations is: Laura Baring-Gould, 5:00 – 5:45 p.m.; Deedee Morrison, 5:55 – 6:40 p.m.; Mags Harries, 6:50 – 7:35 p.m.; and Cheryl Foster, 7:45 – 8:30 p.m.

Following the presentations the designs will be available for viewing on rosiesplace.org/kiptiernanmemorial. Public comments are welcome and will be taken into consideration by the selection panel. The panel includes representatives from Rosie's Place, Community Works, the Boston Art Commission, the City of Boston Public Works Department, Old South Church, the DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, and the Boston Public Library. An announcement of a final design is expected May 2013. The winning design will be installed on the sidewalk plaza on Dartmouth Street, between Newbury Street and the near side of public alley 440; the site is near Old South Church, which Kip used as her base of operations for 30 years.

In addition to being an outspoken proponent of social justice for poor and homeless women, Tiernan was also a founder of the Boston Food Bank, and co-founder with Fran Froehlich of the Boston Women’s Fund, Health Care for the Homeless, and Community Works. She was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize and awarded honorary degrees from a dozen colleges and universities. Her death in 2011 was eulogized both by local leaders and national publications.

Since 1974, Rosie’s Place has provided a safe and nurturing environment where poor and homeless women can maintain their dignity, seek opportunity and find security in their lives. Rosie’s Place relies solely on the generous support of individuals, foundations and corporations and does not accept any city, state or federal funding.

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CALENDAR LISTING
Rosie’s Place and the Boston Art Commission will host public presentations of four artists’ designs to honor Kip Tiernan, April 8 in the Boston Public Library Orientation Room, 700 Boylston Street.
Presentations will begin at 4:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. This event is free and open to the public.