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## ArtWalk 2007 our pick!

Little Italy lights up with art in late April.

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[Little Italy](#)

India Street and Date Street  
San Diego, CA 92101

### When

Noon-6 pm, Sat-Sun, April 28-29,  
2007

**Admission:** Free.

### Contact:

Info: (619) 615-1090.



### By Leah Laux FOR SIGNONSANDIEGO

Celebrating its 23rd anniversary as a popular annual community arts festival, ArtWalk 2007 will weave its way through the historic Little Italy neighborhood from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29.

### The Arts

More than 400 artists from Southern California and Mexico will participate in ArtWalk, exposing the estimated two-day crowd of 100,000 festival goers to myriad styles, from photography, painting and sculpture to music, drama and dance.

ArtWalk features 12 visual artists from the hundred-plus artists on hand. Tents -- 10-by-10-by-10-feet -- will cover the streets from Beech to Fir (with India Street and Kettner Boulevard as the main thoroughfares to the event).

### Bi-national showcase

The Consulado General de Mexico/Mexican Cultural Institute and ArtWalk will once again present some of the most unique work from famed and up-and-coming Mexican artists, such as Angel Valrá, Julio

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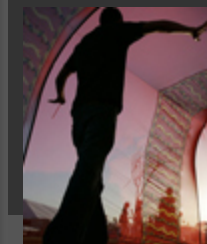
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Rodriguez, Alejandro Martínez Peña, Cecilia García Amaro and Silvia Galindo.

### Location, location, location

Little Italy is the backdrop for this downtown San Diego event, so there'll be no shortage of bakeries, restaurants and bars. All will be packed, particularly sit-down restaurants. (Tip: Put your name down well before your hunger hits). Smaller stages will be set throughout the festival route, with one main stage area.

### Music and more

Stages along India Street will feature bands, solo performers and dance troupes such as Eveoke and Malashock.

### The kids are all right

As a community event, kids and families will find plenty to explore. The hands-on KidsWalk event takes place at Amici Park on Date Street. The event offers one-on-one instruction from local artists, as well as interactive arts and musical projects, including activities such as mural painting, poetry writing, dancing and even a digital photography scavenger hunt.

### Murals for peace and unity

Check out a piece of history in the making in Amici Park. The Art Miles Mural Project was started to promote peace and unify artists around the world. And when it's complete in 2010, this 12-mile mural will be the longest in the world and wrap around the Great Pyramids in Egypt. The theme for this stop on the tour is "The Fairy Tale Mile." To date, more than 1,400 murals have been completed by approximately 41,000 artists from 100 countries. Rotated globally for exhibitions, murals have been displayed around the world.

### Hot off the presses

Pick up a free copy of *ArtWalk 2007 Magazine* throughout the month of April at Little Italy and Horton Plaza businesses as well as the Horton Plaza Arts Tix booth. The magazine provides a visual tour of participating artists. Maps will be available at the event. For more information on this annual event, call (619) 615-1090.

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