

Dear Friends of Caffè Vivaldi,

Thank you for your warm comments of support on our last update. Our shared objective is: KEEP CAFFÈ VIVALDI ALIVE.

The following is a clearer summary of what is transpiring:

As you all know, we have been locked in a David and Goliath existential struggle. Throughout this struggle, your support, as demonstrated by over 4,670 signatures (so far in just three weeks), has been a constant source of strength and encouragement. I am humbled by and grateful for your enthusiastic embrace of our common cause to save Caffè Vivaldi.

Here is the latest update:

1. My last discussion with the landlord was on 11/16. The fair market rate in our area is \$100/- a sq. ft. So, the rent for 685sq. ft. that we have, should be \$6,850/- per month. However, after six meetings with him, it is clear to me that this is not going to happen and our rent will surge substantially!
2. We have made some progress and are now discussing a rent of \$10,000/month, but only for the first year. After the first year, the landlord wants to increase the rent, over five years, to an unsustainable amount of \$17,000/month. However, we are still in the process of negotiating.

In order to keep Caffè Vivaldi alive, we will have to renovate and soundproof our space to generate more revenue, or move to a new location. Either outcome will require your support.

In the event we can persuade the landlord to agree to a fair market rent, allowing us to stay at the present location, we have assembled a team of architects, acoustic engineers, and contractors to do the work for us. They will directly report their progress to you on our website.

However, if we have to move to a new location, the same team will help me recreate the magic that is Caffè Vivaldi. The bottom-line is that we need your help.

For details of Phase 2 of our campaign, go to www.caffevivaldi.com. Please help us Keep Caffè Vivaldi Alive

We will post regular updates.

With love and gratitude,

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