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Top Of The News

On behalf of the California LGBT Arts Alliance, I wish you and your family a Happy New Year!



As 2017 comes to an end I reflect on an amazing year for the organization. Thanks to our staff, board and cadre of artists, we presented two inspiring programs: ART.EQUITY.LA at Lula Washington's Dance Academy and Dancers We Lost in Palm Springs and Santa Ana. We experienced expanding programming in Southern California through the generous funding from the City of LA, LA County and the California Arts Commission.

But what I really enjoyed about our work this year was witnessing the growth of our LGBTQ and ally membership and attendance.

It has been exciting to take our programming and networking efforts to a new level as we approach 2018 and looking forward to our collaborations with the West Hollywood Arts Program in the Spring of Color Bonita, a multidisciplinary event on Latino queer issues on racism, machismo, homophobia, immigration and gender and the panels on art and activism in support of family acceptance with screenings of our fiscally sponsored film Raising Zoey in Boyle Heights. San Fernando Valley and East LA.

All this progress is made possible by our passionate Board, volunteers and supporters like you. Nevertheless, we know there is so much more to do in creating safe spaces for LGBTQ families in our communities and opportunities for our LGBTQ artists.

Considering the current political climate, we know there are also challenging times ahead. Thanks to the support of stakeholders like you, we will continue doing great work in our communities and supporting LGBTQ art and artists.

Thank you for your continued support and friendship.
Happy New Year Together!

Dante Alencastre
Executive Director

**In celebrating the New Year we share the poem
Democracy by Langston Hughes.**



The LGBT+ Heroes and Allies Who Made 2017 So Much Better



(photo and story : Pink News)

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A Year in Queer: 8 Notable Moments of LGBTQ Art in New York



source: artnews.com

Luna Luis Ortiz, Chleo Silent Film Star, 1999, digital C-print.
LESLIE-LOHMAN MUSEUM, FOUNDATION PURCHASE

Living as a queer person in the United States in 2017 has been, more often than not, surreal. Despite what has for so long felt like a march forward, it was a time of continued threats of bodily harm and disenfranchisement, with moments of excellence and power still arising through this period of turmoil and fear.

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Featured Alliance Member Organization



South Coast Chorale

South Coast Chorale is a community vocal ensemble that uses music and humor to entertain, educate, connect and uplift audiences and its members through performances that are distinguished for their LGBT diversity and artistic excellence.

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California LGBT Art Events are available on our website for easy access at any time. See the [Art Events Calendar](#) online.

CA LGBT Arts Alliance Guide To [Artist Resources](#)

Artist Calls : Top Picks

Deadline ~ Title ~ Place

01-05-2018 ~ [Health and Wellness Mural](#) ~ City of Pleasanton, Pleasanton

01-05-2018 ~ [ka-POW! Heroic Women](#) ~ Northern California Women's Caucus for Art, San Francisco

01-15-2018 ~ [Artist Art & Story: Best of 2017](#) ~ Artist Art & Story, Los Angeles

01-15-2018 ~ [Windows of Little Tokyo](#) ~ Sustainable Little Tokyo, Los Angeles

01-20-2018 ~ [Aspiring Artist Debut](#) ~ NCA/Sacramento Fine Arts Center, Carmichael

01-31-2018 ~ [Public Artwork for John Wayne Airport](#) ~ John Wayne Airport, Costa Mesa

[See More Artist Calls](#)

Grants : Top Picks

Deadline ~ Title ~ Grant Provider

01-01-2018 ~ [S.T.A.R. Foundation Grants](#) ~ The S.T.A.R. Foundation of Monterey County

01-15-2018 ~ [Small Arts Grants Program - Spring](#) ~ Fleishhacker Foundation



[See More Grants / Funding Opportunities](#)

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About the CA LGBT Arts Alliance

The mission of The California LGBT Arts Alliance is to promote artistic and financial partnerships that strengthen and deepen the cooperative relationship among California's LGBT non-profit arts organizations and individual artists.

The California LGBT Arts Alliance is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization.

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visit: <http://www.weho.org/residents/arts-and-culture>

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