

## **Top Of The News**

## Film Maudit 2.0



Film Maudit 2.0 is a festival in Los Angeles of outre films, inspired by legendary artist Jean Cocteau's festival, Le Film Maudit, which celebrated a group of films that were criminally overlooked and neglected at the time.

The 2nd edition of this festiva will take place Online, January 12-24, 2021, featuring 120+ films, music, and visual and performance art.

Interactive Website Coming Soon

Learn More Here

## **Casting Call For Transgender Youth**



Lights, Cameras, Trans: Nickelodeon Star Launches Casting Call For ... The actor known to millions as Schwoz is leading Nickelodeon in a talent search for its next child star: a kid who's trans or non-binary.

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Deadline: January 11, 2021

A casting call for transgender and non-binary youth, supported by a Zoom master class for the top dozen prospective actors, which Michael D. Cohen will teach. And he's offering something else, to every child who enters.

See Instructions Here

Read Article on Forbes.com

Meet Our Newest Alliance Board Member: Pea Núñez



Pea Núñez (they/she) is a queer documentarian, cinematographer and photographer. Born in Peru, Pea grew up with an activist mom, who instilled in them the passion for social justice that informs Pea's work today. In 2017, Pea earned their B.A. in Film from UCLA.

Their work includes short fiction and documentaries as well as marketing content featured in platforms such as Film Independent, UCLA Labor Center, PEN America, InnerCity Struggle. Pea's dream is to continue documenting BIPOC, queer and immigrant communities, following culture, traditions, and the environment. Pea is currently in production for "Reclaiming Our Homes" a documentary about housing activists taking vacant California-owned houses in El Sereno.

## Meet Our Newest Alliance Members



**OUR PRIDE** is an LGBTQ+ youth-centered programto amplify social action & advocacy through video, music, photography & collaborative programs.

OUR PRIDE is a collaborative educational program for youth and educators in middle school through college to create and share digital stories about significant LGBTQ+ people, places and events.

This UNITES Us is the theme for the OUR PRIDE 2021 Video & Arts Fest and a multi-generational global cloud video project to inspire compassionate community-building and healing in the wake of the COVID pandemic, economic challenges and racial tensions which have swept across the US and around the world.

#### Learn More About OUR PRIDE



#### Thai Fan Meet USA

Your go to place for fan meetings held in the United States. Attend events to experience fan signings, games, Q&A, selfie polaroid, and live audience screen viewing.

"Our mission is to create: A live meet and greet experience to celebrate Thai culture in the United States. To showcase "Genderless Love" within our society. To promote racial, gender and sexual equality through media advocacy, and culturally competent events."

#### Learn More About Thai Fan Meet USA

## Art Events Calendar

December 13 – January 3 San Francisco New Conservatory Theatre Center <u>A Mighty Queer Virtual Variety Show</u>

January 10 West Hollywood
City of West Hollywood
LGBTQ+ Literary Spacemakers in Quarantine Roundtable

## **Artist Calls & Grants**

The California Arts Council (CAC) maintains a database dedicated to opportunities for artists, from local to global, including gallery calls.

#### ARTIST CALLS AT CAC

In addition to its own grant program offerings, the California Arts Council (CAC) keeps a database dedicated to arts and culture funding opportunities available from the field at large.

**GRANTS AT CAC** 



#### **Additional Artist Calls & Grants**

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#### **Artwork For La Puente One Stop Development Center**

Deadline: January 15, 2021

The Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture's Civic Art Division seeks an Artist or Artist team to submit their qualifications for the commission of a permanent artwork on the exterior of the La Puente One Stop Development Center in La Puente, CA.

#### Learn More & Apply Online

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#### **Zocalo Poetry Prize**

Deadline: January 29, 2021.

Since 2012, Zócalo has awarded the prize annually to the U.S. poet whose poem best evokes a connection to place. "Place" may be interpreted in many ways, be it of historical, cultural, political, or personal importance; the landscape may also be literal, imaginary, or metaphorical.

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**Under The Trans Umbrella: Call For Submissions** 

Deadline: January 1 - February 28, 2021

The collection is to document essays, creative writing, and poetry that can showcase stories that offer writers an opportunity to share their heartfelt stories and thoughts that go beyond the body.

#### Learn More / Apply

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#### **ACTIVATE Applications Now Open**

Become an ACTIVATE Delegate or an ACTIVATE Innovator

The ACTIVATE Delegates and ACTIVATE Innovators programs recognize the importance of local leaders and empowering these individuals with the skills, knowledge, and an expanded network to effect change in communities across Greater Los Angeles.

While the two tracks differ in format and curriculum, both provide participants the opportunity to learn from top leaders in social justice, education, cultural infrastructure, advocacy, communication, and policy. Find more info below and on the Arts for LA website!

#### ACTIVATE DELEGATES

ACTIVATE Delegates functions as an advocacy and organizing lab for artists, creative sector workers, or anyone interested in the intersection of community organizing and the arts. The four-month program includes hands-on learning opportunities, such as networking with field leaders, meeting with LA City Council members and staffers to advocate for the arts, and mobilizing community members to support key legislation.

The application deadline is 11:59 PM on January 4, 2021.

#### Apply to be an Arts Delegate

#### ACTIVATE INNOVATORS

ACTIVATE Innovators is a project incubator designed to support arts leaders as they grow an idea into a fully-planned project. The program offers changemakers the opportunity to learn from field leaders, connect with other cross-sector colleagues, and lead the development of a project or program addressing one of Arts for LA's four issue areas: affordable space, education equity, creative careers, and equitable funding. This year's cohort will focus on how their organization can expand access to creative sector jobs.

The application deadline is 11:59 PM on February 5, 2021.

Apply to be an Arts Innovator

Visit Arts for LA

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#### The OUR PRIDE 2021 Video & Arts Fest

OUR PRIDE 2021 Video & Arts Fest is a video competition and collaborative blended-learning educational program for youth (middle & high school) and young adults (18-30) to create short videos about current issues and significant LGBTQ+ people, places and events, and showcases videos, photography & music submitted by Youth (ages 11-19) and Millennials (ages 20-30) with the 2021 theme focusing on how compassion unites people in the LGBTQ+ community.

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**GRANTS** 

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#### The Gottlieb Foundation Individual Support Grant

Deadline: February 26, 2021

The Foundation wishes to encourage artists who have dedicated their lives to developing their art, regardless of their level of commercial success. Please note that these grants are available only to mature individual visual artists. The Foundation defines maturity in this case as having worked for 20 years or more in a mature phase of art.

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#### Announcing California Arts Council Grant Season

Deadline: varying

State arts grants will support organizational operations, individuals, and project-based activities; prioritizing relief and recovery for organizations and individuals impacted by COVID-19

Apply now for our six streamlined funding opportunities for 2021, prioritizing relief and recovery for California's creative artists and businesses impacted by

COVID-19 — including new general operating relief for organizations and direct fellowship funding for individual artists!

#### Read More

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#### **Documentarian Emergency Relief Fund**

Sponsored by From the Heart Productions, Inc.

Made Possible by a Donation from Carole Dorothy Joyce

The Documentarian Emergency Relief Fund is established to give up to \$1,000 each month for a period of 10 months to documentary producers and directors facing "dire financial emergencies" during the Covid-19 pandemic.

This fund opens for submissions January 2nd, 2021. Applications will be accepted beginning on that date and on the 1st of each month thereafter. Submissions for funds for each month will close on the 14th of that month.

#### **Learn More**

### Donate

Your donations help pay for web hosting, our monthly newsletter, monthly arts calendar and the artists that we present. Thank You!

#### **Donate With PayPal**

## 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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Get your personalized ART license plate. website: <a href="https://www.artsplate.org/">https://www.artsplate.org/</a>
Proceeds from the plate sales directly benefit the California Arts Council (CAC).

For information about the City of West Hollywood Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission visit: <a href="http://www.weho.org/residents/arts-and-culture">http://www.weho.org/residents/arts-and-culture</a>

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