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SAN LUIS OBISPO MUSEUM OF ART WELCOMES BEYA MAKEKAU AND LINDSEY HARN TO MUSEUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

San Luis Obispo, CA – Wednesday, January 17, 2024 – The San Luis Obispo Museum of Art is pleased to announce the appointment of two new Board members, Dr. Beya Makekau and Lindsey Harn, to the Museum's Board of Directors, for two-year terms which began on January 1, 2024.

"Our Board of Directors is comprised of a dedicated team of leaders committed to enriching our community by using art as a doorway to deeper insight and connection," said Leann Standish, Executive Director. "We are excited to channel Beya's and Lindsey's talents to bring people together through art and grow the Museum's indelible impact."

About Lindsey Harn

Lindsey has lived on the Central Coast since 2004. She is a Cal Poly alum with a Bachelor's of Science in psychology. As a local homeowner and real estate investor, Lindsey has hands-on knowledge and a pulse on the Central Coast market like no other.

She is dedicated to serving her community. Helping her clients accomplish their real estate goals while keeping them informed and educated about the process is something Lindsey takes great pride in doing. No deal is too complex. Lindsey is always up for a challenge and loves using her high-level problem-solving skills to create win-win solutions for everyone involved.

Lindsey has been called the real estate matchmaker for her uncanny ability to match buyers and sellers as well as homeowners and tenants before they even realize what a perfect match it may be. She is also the master of off-market listings, providing valuable opportunities for all parties involved.

About Dr. Beya Makekau

Dr. Beya Makekau has built a career rooted in advancing educational equity, promoting racial justice, and fostering intersectional inclusion. She has designed and executed DEI strategic planning in higher education, city government, and corporate arenas, and currently serves as the Assistant Vice President for Strategic Planning and Networks at Cal Poly. With a focus on educational equity and racial justice, she leads initiatives to achieve Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) status, fosters partnerships across the city and county that facilitate culturally rich learning environments, and supports university-wide diversity action planning and implementation.

Before returning to Cal Poly, she served as the inaugural DEI Manager for the City of San Luis Obispo. Beya, along with her wife and two cats have lived in the central coast for 7 years and together made an active decision to stay and invest in this community. Dr. Makekau is personally, professionally, and academically rooted in ensuring that marginalized voices are empowered, and everyone feels valued, respected, and like they belong. The SLO Museum of Art is a key facilitator in creating spaces where the cultures of our world are reflected in a way that inspires a collective vision for how the beauty and richness of this community can be reflected.

About the San Luis Obispo Museum of Art

The San Luis Obispo Museum of Art (SLOMA) is an innovative and accessible museum located on California's Central Coast. The Museum presents an outstanding exhibitions program that features artists from California and around the world, as well as an ongoing series of dynamic events that engage visitors of all ages. SLOMA is located in downtown San Luis Obispo on the west end of Mission Plaza, at the heart of the city's cultural corridor. A destination for art lovers, and those just beginning to experience art alike, the Museum provides a welcoming space and offers free admission to all. More information can be found at www.sloma.org.