



San Luis Obispo Museum of Art Awarded California Arts Council Arts Education Exposure Grant

State funds support school tours to SLOMA

February 12, 2025 (SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA) – The California Arts Council has announced a grant award of \$16,203 to the San Luis Obispo Museum of Art as part of its Arts Education Exposure Grant Program. It is one of only 47 grants awarded as part of the Arts Education Exposure grant program and the only one in San Luis Obispo County through the Arts Education Exposure program.

With support from the California Arts Council, SLOMA will provide free guided museum gallery tours, curriculum support, and teachers' guides for schools. The project will also support transportation subsidies for Title 1 schools to remove financial barriers to arts participation, as well as targeted summer programming for kids from historically underserved and under-resourced communities in San Luis Obispo County.

The San Luis Obispo Museum of Art was featured as part of a [larger announcement](#) from the California Arts Council, with grant awards totaling almost \$19.5 million for more than 800 grants supporting artists, culture bearers, and cultural workers throughout the state of California.

"Art makes us who we are in California," said California Arts Council Executive Director Danielle Brazell. "We are defined by our creative workforce, and our everyday lives are informed, enriched, and uplifted by the artists and cultural workers across our state. On behalf of the CAC, I offer my sincere congratulations – and my gratitude – to each of our award recipients for this grant cycle."

"We are so honored to be one of only three recipients in SLO County for this round of California Arts Council funding across all grant programs," said Executive Director, Leann Standish. "Our work in making the arts accessible and welcoming is not possible without grants like this."

Central Coast teachers and school administrators can book their free school group tours at sloma.org/visit/tours or by calling the Museum of Art at (805) 543-8562.

About 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. SLOMA's mission is to show that Art Matters: We enrich our community by using art as a doorway to deeper insight and connection. More information can be found at www.sloma.org.

About the California Arts Council

The California Arts Council is a state agency with a mission of strengthening arts, culture, and creative expression as the tools to cultivate a better California for all. It supports local arts infrastructure and programming statewide through grants, initiatives, and services. The California Arts Council envisions a California where all people flourish with universal access to and participation in the arts.

Members of the California Arts Council include: Roxanne Messina Captor, Chair; Leah Goodwin, Vice Chair; Gerald Clarke; Caleb Duarte; Vicki Estrada; Roy Hirabayashi; Alex Israel; Dorka Keehn; Phil Mercado; Nicola Miner. Learn more at www.arts.ca.gov.

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