

LA ART SHOW 2014

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LA ART SHOW 2014 OPENING NIGHT PREMIERE PARTY KICKS-OFF YEAR LONG CELEBRATION HONORING THE SISTER CITIES 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE LOS ANGELES-BORDEAUX PARTNERSHIP

HOST COMMITTEE INCLUDES LOS ANGELES MAYOR GARCETTI, AMBASSADOR FRANCOIS
DELLATRE, GABRIELLE, DUTCHESS OF SCHOENEBERG, JULIE DELPY, LILY COLLINS, CHEECH
MARIN, MICHAEL GOVAN, AND TOM LABONGE, AMONG OTHERS

(December 9, 2013—Los Angeles) The 19th LA Art Show will kick-off with a high-profile Opening Night Premiere Party on Wednesday, January 15 at the Los Angeles Convention Center benefiting the Sister Cities of Los Angeles, and their program *Bordeaux-Los Angeles A 50 Year Partnership*. The event marks the beginning of a yearlong collaboration, *Bordeaux-LA 2014*, in celebration of the enduring French-American friendship and provides an exceptional opportunity to shine a spotlight on Los Angeles as a center of arts and culture in the 21st Century. At the same time, by hosting Bordeaux based artists and scholars in Los Angeles, Sister Cities highlights the creative vitality of Bordeaux, cementing and deepening our bond for years to come. The 50th Anniversary celebration puts a spotlight on Los Angeles' diverse arts institutions and promotes cultural tourism through the many tent pole events taking place throughout the year.

The evening's host committee includes: *Mayor Eric Garcetti, Councilmember Tom Labonge, Councilmember Curren D. Price, Jr., Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, French Ambassador François Delattre, Bordeaux Mayor Alain Juppé, French Consul General to Los Angeles Axel Cruau, Molly Barnes, Suzanne Deal Booth, Vicangelo Bulluck, Jonathan & Annie Burrows, Tony & Cindy Canzoneri, Harry Chandler, George Chakiris, Jill Tavelman Collins, Lily Collins, Dr. James Cuno, Julie Delpy, Gabrielle, Duchess of Schoeneberg, Olga Garay-English, Sukey & Gil Garcetti, Jay Geller, Tom Gilmore, Barbara & Glenn Golenberg, Michael Govan, Janice & Charles Holland, Elliott & Adrienne Horwitch, Jennifer Howell, Beatriz Hyp, Annie Kelly, Nancy Kwan, Helen Lewis, Kai Loebach, Natasha & Cheech Marin, Thomas Morgan, Mona Lee Nesseth, Tim Street-Porter, Esthella Provas, Mima & Dale Ransom, Wayne Ratkovich, Tim Robbins, Eugene Sadovy, Dr. Bruce & Susan Samuels, Boyd S. Smith, Michael & Terri Smooke,*

Lauren & Steve Spilman, Elinor & Rubin Turner, Valaree & Robert Wahler, Billie Milam Weisman, Zheng Wen, Ruth & Hutton Wilkinson, Sue Wong, Ernest Wooden, Jr., and Adele Yoshioka, among others.

Launching this yearlong cultural exchange, the LA Art Show's exclusive patron reception honors the dynamic international relationship between Los Angeles & Bordeaux and will feature an exclusive tasting of world-renowned **Grand Crus wines from Bordeaux**, alongside California-Latino inspired samplers by **chef of note, John Sedlar of Rivera Restaurant** in Downtown Los Angeles.

Patron reception guests will also have the chance to view an exhibition of limited edition fine art prints from **The Chicano Collection / La Colección Chicana**, the photographs of acclaimed art photographer **Gil Garcetti**, and works by participating artists in the **France Los Angeles Residency Exchange (FLARE) program**.

To help raise funds for the 2014 celebration of the 50 year partnership between Los Angeles and Bordeaux, **Cheech Marin has donated a limited-edition portfolio, printed by Richard Duardo, from The Chicano Collection / La Colección Chicana** to be sold during the LA Art Show. Proceeds from this sale will go to Sister Cities of Los Angeles, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, to support this yearlong cultural exchange.

The 2013 LA Art Show, which was featured on the front page of the Los Angeles Times was met with record-breaking attendance of more than 50,000 unique visitors. Six thousand guests attended the 2013 opening. **James Franco** participated as Art Ambassador and Host of the Patron Reception alongside Hosts for the evening, **Ali Larter** and **Hayes MacArthur, Aldis Hodge, Sam Trammell, Leslie Birkland, Lubov Azria, Molly Culver, Natalie Dreyfus, Nikki DeLoach, Riley Smith, Ron Scott, Sammi Rotibi, Shane Keough, Shepard Fairey, Stella Maeve, Steve Rizzo, Tom Hallick, Tracey Heggins, Vik Sahay, Zach Sale, Evan Williams, Alexandra Choi, CCH Pounder, Lilley Collins, Donna Meagle, Billy Morrison, Ann Archer, Michelle Stafford, Katlin Mastandrea, Kevin Nealon, Lance Reddick, Dan Flores, Amanda Fuller, Bria Murphy, Clement von Frackenstein, Edwin Hodge, EJ Bonilla, Eva La Rue, Jay Harrington, Jenn Lilley and Jesse Johnson** among others.

The LA Art Show will take place on January 15-19, 2014 at the Los Angeles Convention Center, South Hall, 1201 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015. The 2014 Opening Night Premiere Party will take place on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 from 8pm-11pm, with a Patron Reception beginning at 7pm. Patron tickets are \$250, Vanguard tickets are \$200 and Friend tickets are \$125. To purchase tickets and see related benefits, please visit <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/la-art-show-2014-january-15-19-2014-la-convention-center-south-hall-tickets-7511447943>.

For additional information about the LA Art Show, please visit www.laartshow.com. General admission to the Los Angeles Art Show is \$20. To learn more about The Sister Cities of Los Angeles, please visit <http://www.sistercitiesofla.com>. Media inquiries please contact Agnes Gomes-Koizumi at agnes@agkmedia.com or call 323-937-5488.

Sister Cities of Los Angeles Vision Statement:

Our Vision is to achieve a smaller planet through better relationships, closer communications and ever-stronger collaborations between our international Sister City partners and the people of Los Angeles. We continue a non political, people to people diplomatic tradition established by our city government with a high degree of quality civic involvement in the disciplines of culture, education, communication, international trade, travel & tourism, and sports and recreation and through an innovative program of public service at home and abroad. It is these relationships that often survive when governments fail. They keep the conversation alive. We envision a more vibrant and prosperous City of LA that benefits from a variety of visitors from around the world especially residents and visitors from our Sister Cities.