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Loitering is Delightful

Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery

Oct. 31, 2019, 11:00 am

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The City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA), the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery (LAMAG), and the Barnsdall Art Park Foundation (BAPF) are pleased to present *Loitering is delightful*, an exhibition that brings together ten Los Angeles artists to explore the joyful possibilities of slowing down.

The show runs from October 31 to January 12 with an opening reception on October 27 from 2 pm to 5 pm.

*Loitering is traditionally considered the preserve of delinquents, teenagers, and miscreants. Generally speaking, those up to no good. Of course, some are freer to dillydally than others. As Ross Gay reminds us in his incisive essay *Loitering Is Delightful* (which the author has kindly permitted us to use here), "...the darker your skin, the more likely you are to be 'loitering.'" Gay goes on to point out that for people of color, any public display of "non-productive delight" – from loitering to laughter – can be censured. This leads one to ask: at which point does lingering cross into criminal territory? What does 'loitering' really mean? And why is it frowned upon?*

Loitering is delightful posits the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, a civic space with free admission, as a safe place to sit, look, and think. With new work by Milano Chow, Lauren Davis Fisher, Ishi Glinsky, David Horvitz, Dylan Mira, Joshua Ross, Asha Schechter, Cauleen Smith, Lani Trock, and Megan Whitmarsh, *Loitering is delightful* invites you to delight in dawdling.

LAMAG is located at 4800 Hollywood Blvd. The gallery is open Thursday to Sunday from 11 am to 4 pm.



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