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CONVENING**

WELCOME





DIRECTOR OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

**RALPH
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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The San Francisco Arts Commission acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost nor forgotten their responsibilities as the caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland.

We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and relatives of the Ramaytush Community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples. As a department dedicated to promoting a diverse and equitable Arts and Culture environment in San Francisco, we are committed to supporting the traditional and contemporary evolution of the American Indian community.





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ANNUAL REPORT

2023/2024





ARTS COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSES & SURVEY

SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK ON OUR STRATEGIC
PLAN AND HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE
SAN FRANCISCO ARTS COMMISSION



In-Person at 401 Van Ness Avenue

- Tuesday, March 4, 2025
 - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. & 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 5, 2025
 - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. & 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO RSVP
FOR THE OPEN HOUSES!

Virtual Open House

- Friday, March 7, 2025
 - 12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO
TAKE THE SURVEY!



PRESENTS

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVERSATIONS:



**TOWN HALL SESSION 2:
AMENDMENTS 13, 14, & 15**

**THE RECONSTRUCTION AMENDMENTS
AND THEIR IMPACTS ON
IMMIGRATION AND LIBERATION**



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READING & SPOKEN WORD PERFORMANCE



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CIVIC ART COLLECTION & PUBLIC ART

PROGRAM UPDATES



**CIVIC ART COLLECTION &
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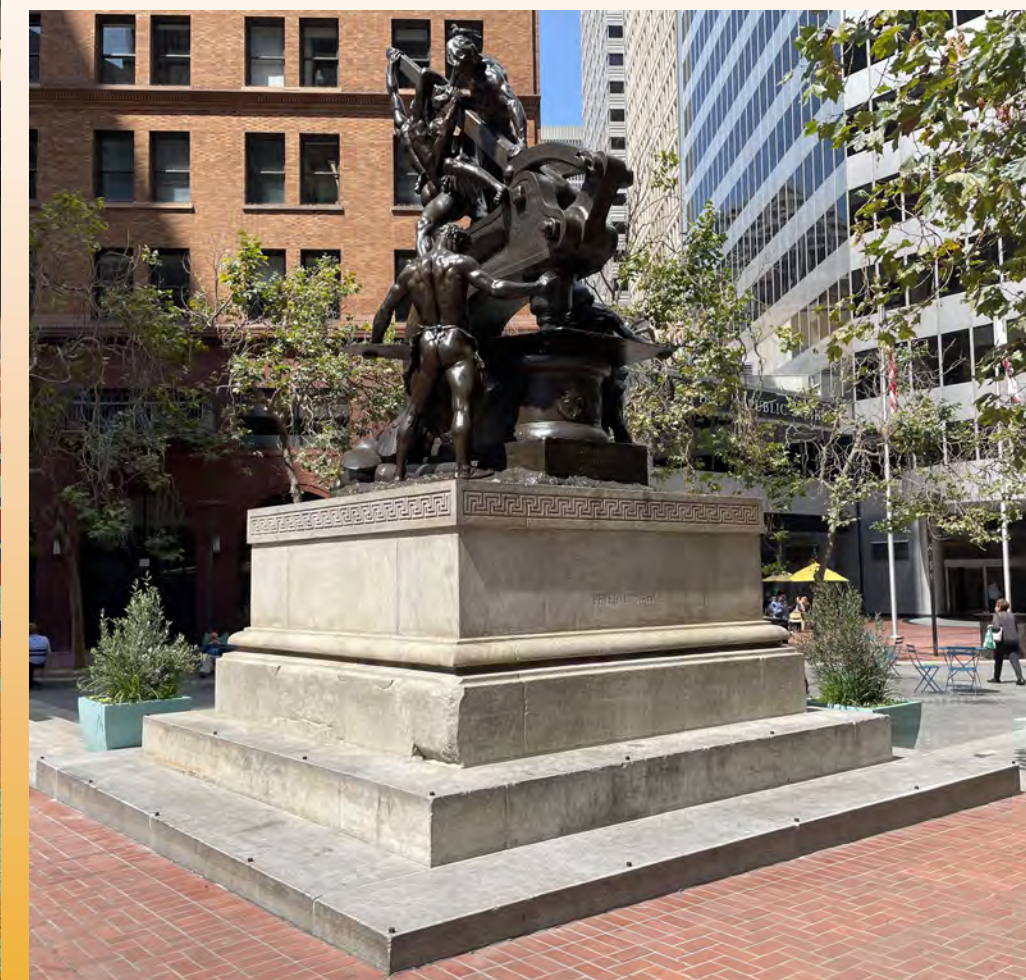
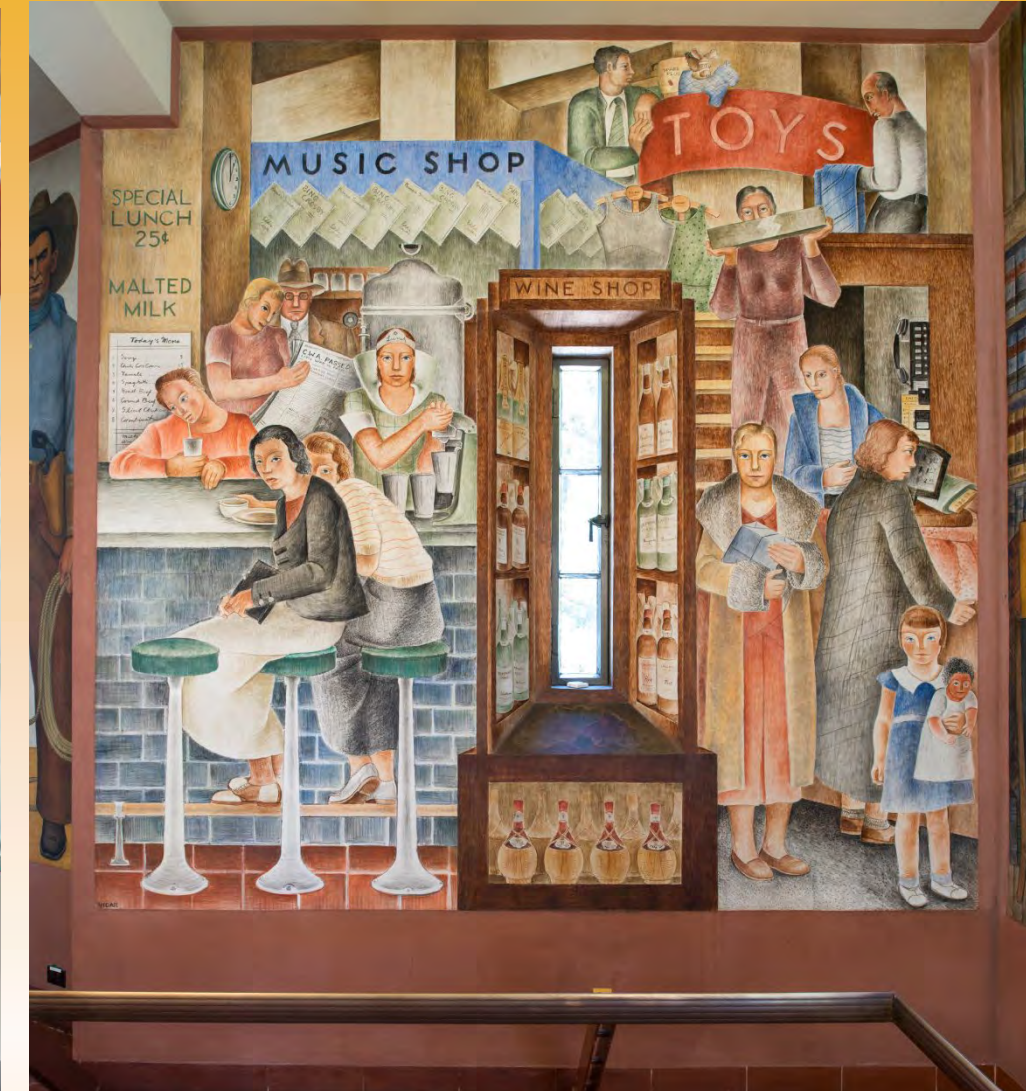
Program Overview

Art Enrichment Ordinance

- Passed by voters in 1969, one of the first percent for art programs in the country
- 2% of eligible construction costs for public art

Civic Art Collection

- Over 4,000 artworks
- SFAC responsible for care and maintenance of works in Collection



COMMISSIONS & PURCHASES: FY 23 & 24

Total of 63 awarded commissions and purchases.

Demographic	Amount (\$)	% of Total
American Indian or Alaskan Native	\$24,000	3%
Arab/Middle Eastern American or Arab/Middle Eastern	\$10,000	1%
Asian American or Asian	\$157,300	19%
Black/African American or African	\$439,442	53%
Latinx	\$67,500	8%
Two or more races	\$59,000	7%
White/Caucasian	\$22,000	3%
Prefer not to answer	\$50,500	6%
Total	\$829,742	100%

Residence	Amount (\$)	% of Total
San Francisco Bay Area	\$453,142	55%
California	\$19,000	2%
National	\$357,600	43%
Total	\$829,742	100%

SELECTION OF COMPLETED AND IN-PROGRESS PROJECTS

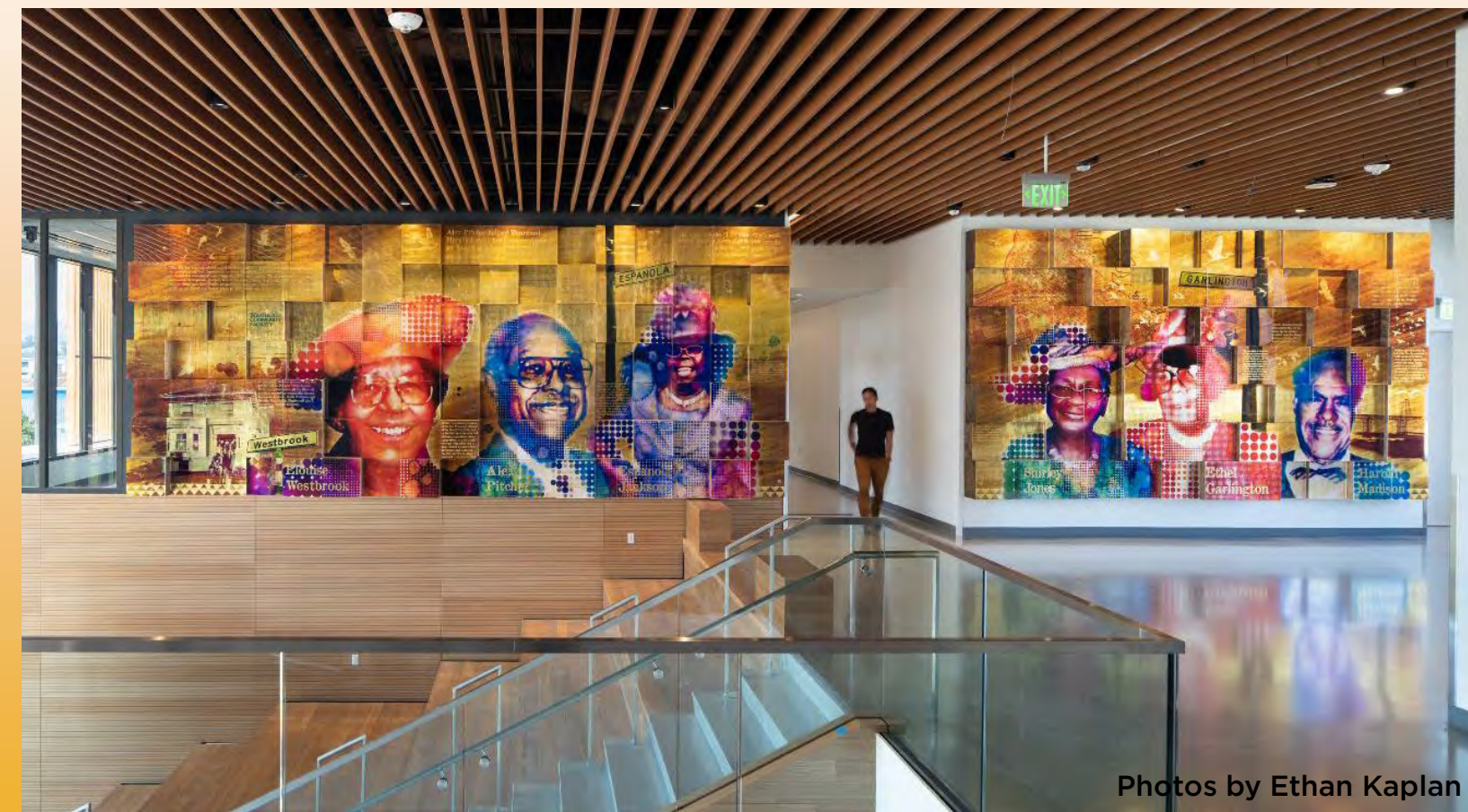
JULY 2022 - PRESENT

SOUTHEAST HEALTH CENTER: RAMEKON O'ARWISTERS, WILLIAM RHODES, RON MOULTRIE SAUNDERS



Photos by Ethan Kaplan

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY CENTER: MILDRED HOWARD, PHILLIP HUA, KENYATTA A. C. HINKLE



SFO HARVEY MILK TERMINAL 1: CRAIG CALDERWOOD



Photo by Ethan Kaplan

SFO INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL CONSERVATION PROJECT: JUANA ALICIA AND EMMANUEL MONTTOYA



Photos courtesy of SFO Museum and ARG Conservation Services

CENTRAL SUBWAY STATIONS: ROXY PAINE, YUMEI HOU



Photos by Ethan Kaplan

YERBA BUENA ISLAND, PANORAMA PARK: HIROSHI SUGIMOTO



Photo courtesy of Sugimoto Studio

TEMPORARY PROJECTS – PATRICIA'S GREEN: DAVID NORMAL AND OLEG LOBYKIN



TEMPORARY PROJECTS - EMBARCADERO: THOMAS J PRICE



Photo by Ethan Kaplan

ART ON MARKET STREET POSTER SERIES: JESSE HERNANDEZ, KIRTI BASSENDINE, CALIXTO ROBLES, & MARCELO POTOSI

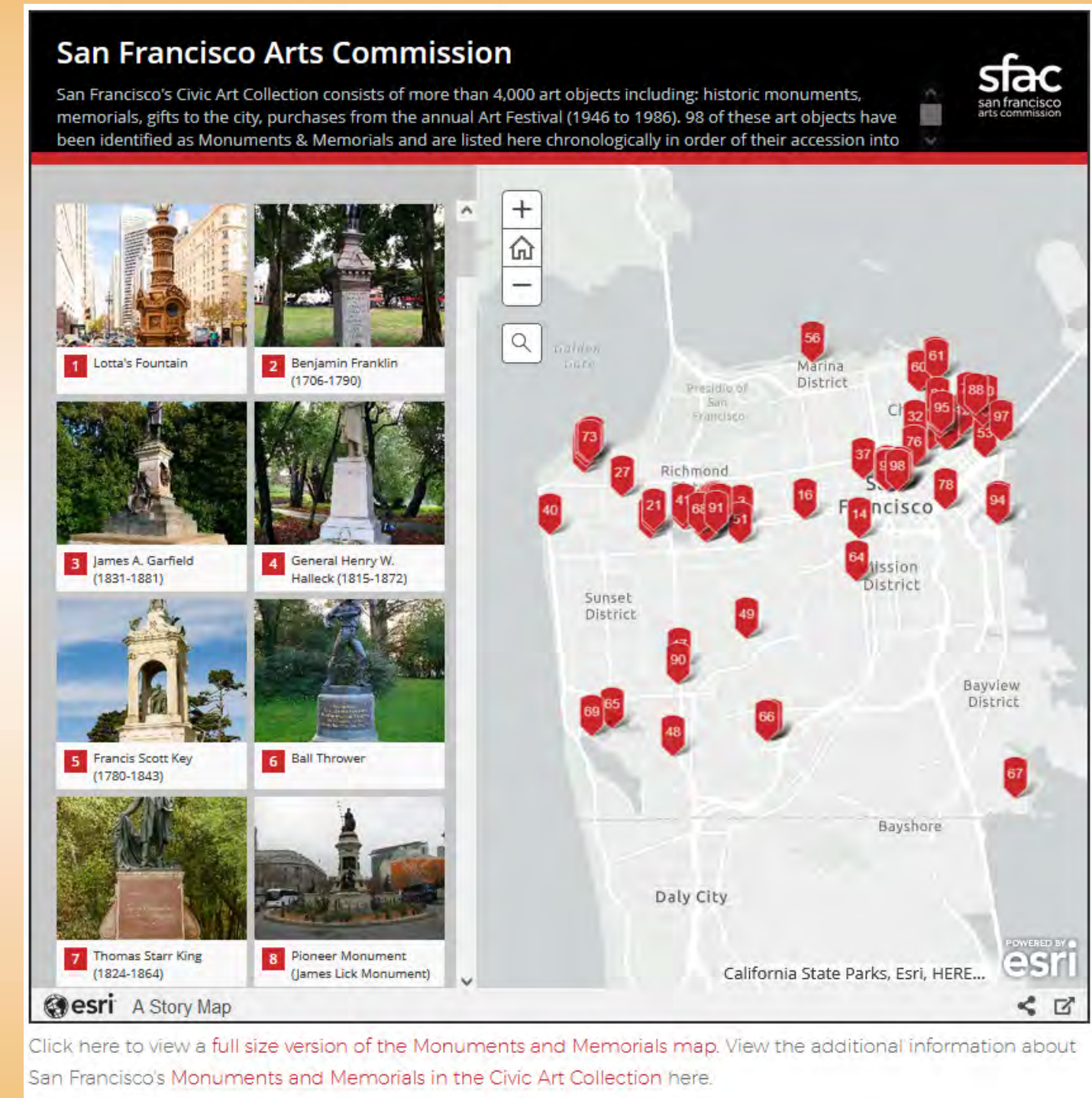
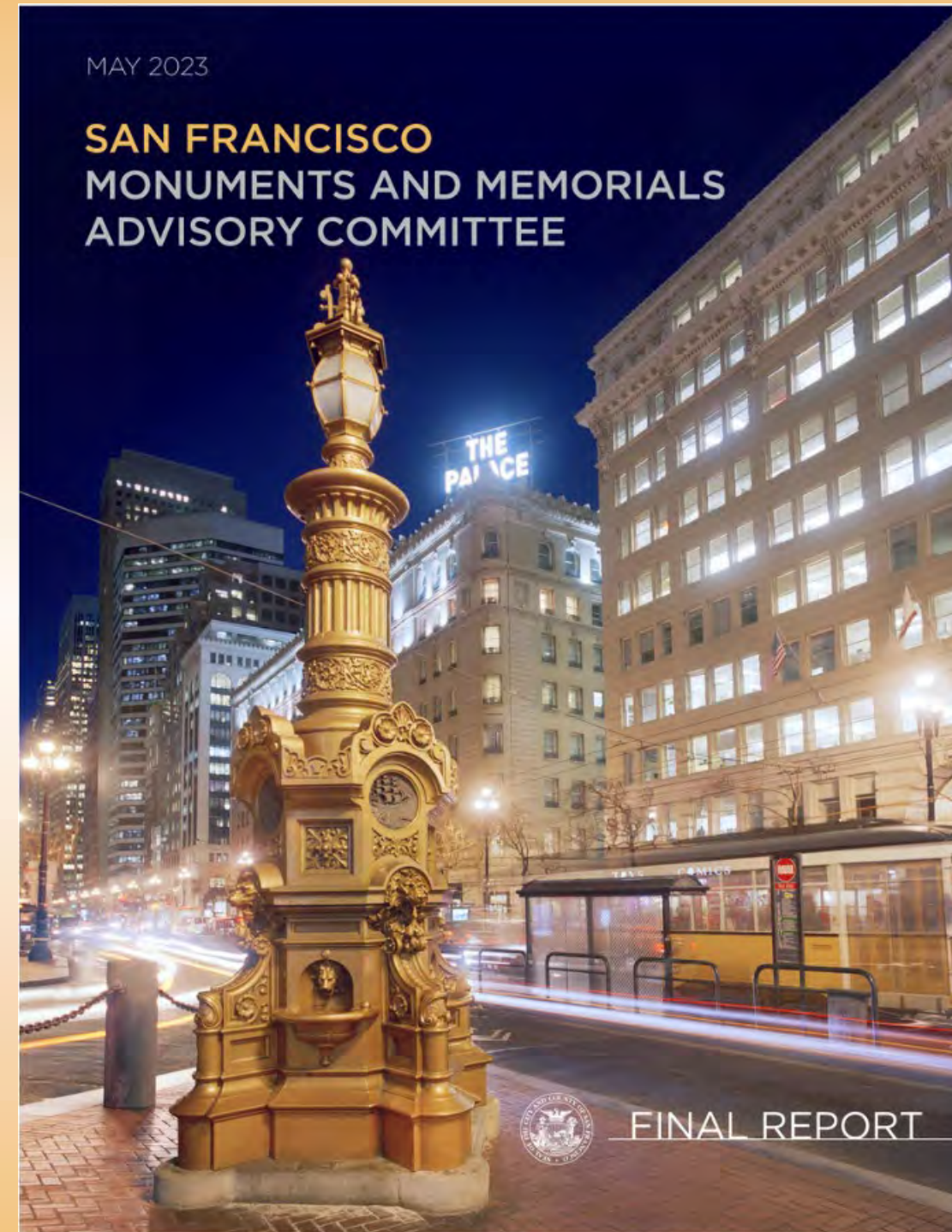


MONUMENTS & MEMORIALS



SHAPING
LEGACY

On the heels of the Monuments & Memorials Advisory Committee Final Report issued in May 2023, SFAC received a \$3 million grant from the Mellon Foundation for the Shaping Legacy project.



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SAN FRANCISCO MAIN LIBRARY: LAVA THOMAS



Photo by Ethan Kaplan



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Photo by SFAC staff

CURRENT & UPCOMING CALLS FOR ARTISTS

Ongoing:

- SFO Terminal 3 West Development and Chinatown Artist Registry

Open:

- Temporary Mural for Main Library – deadline March 3, 2025

Upcoming:

- Shaping Legacy: Reimagining Monuments and Memorials
- 2026 Art on Market Street Poster Series
- Patricia's Green



SFAC GALLERIES

PROGRAM UPDATES JULY 2022-PRESENT



**DIRECTOR OF
GALLERIES & PUBLIC PROGRAMS
CAROLINA
ARANIBAR-FERNANDEZ**

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Aaron Wojack, Minoosh Zomorodinia, Travin McKain and
courtesy of the artists.

Bridging Connections In Communities Through Arts Exhibitions and Public Programming



Exhibitions

14

Public Programs

87



Curators & Artists

291

Gallery Visitors

14,000

Educational Guided Tours



Tours Offered

65

Tour Guests

851

City Departments



Academic Institutions



Cultural Centers



City Departments & Programs



Community Art Institutions



Cultural Centers



Academic Institutions



Collaborators

19

Exhibitions

14

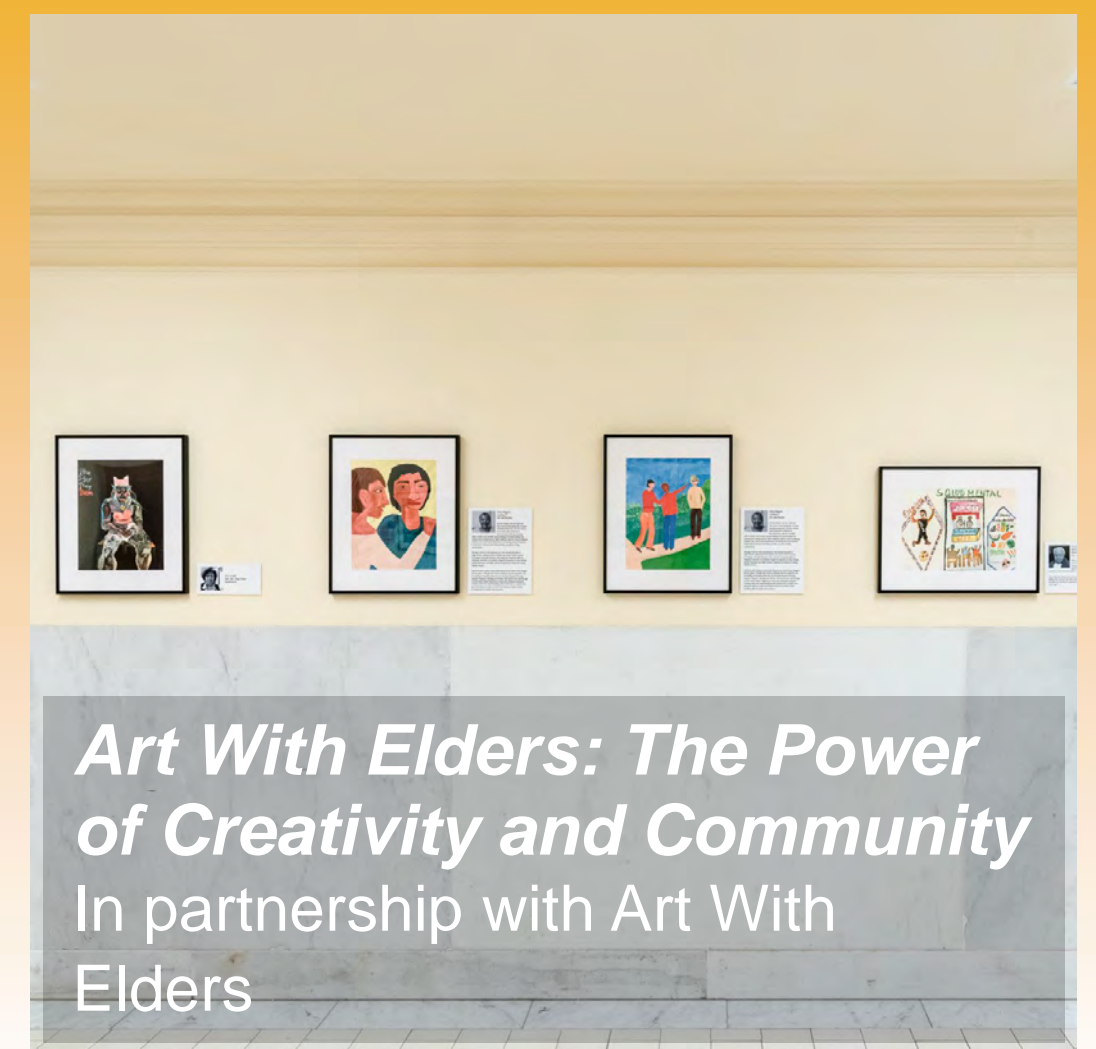




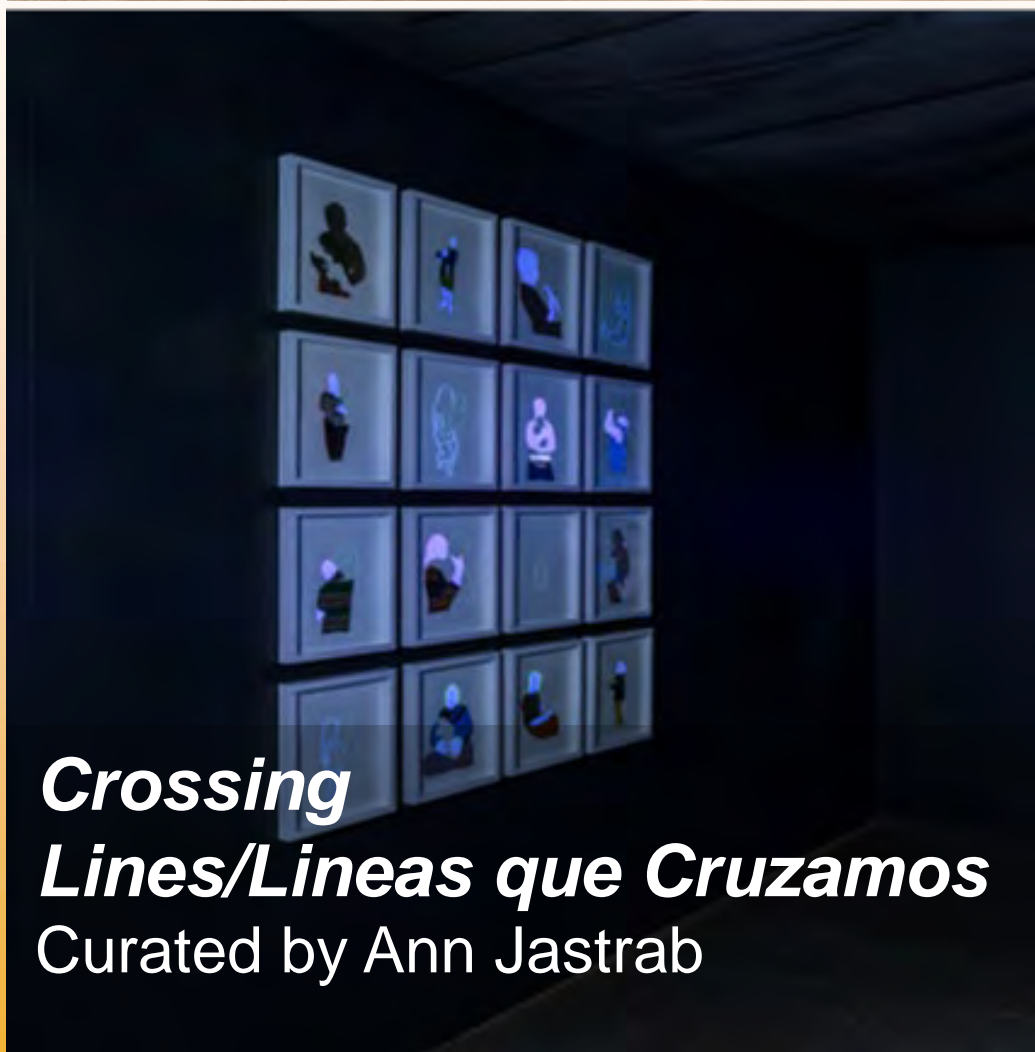
Juanita: 30 Years of MORE!
Curated by Marcel Pardo Ariza



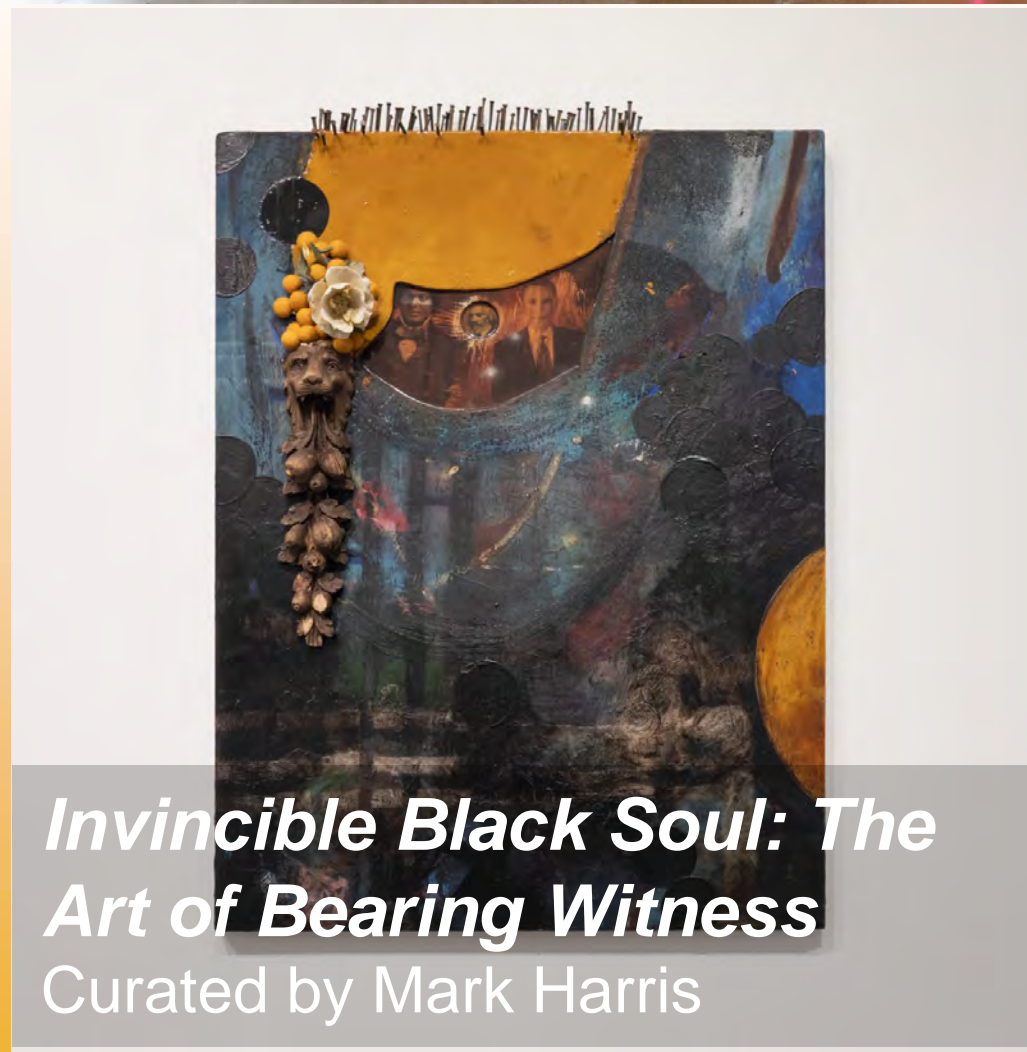
Sowing Worlds
Curated by Jackie Im, Sun Mi Lee, Ji Yoon Yang



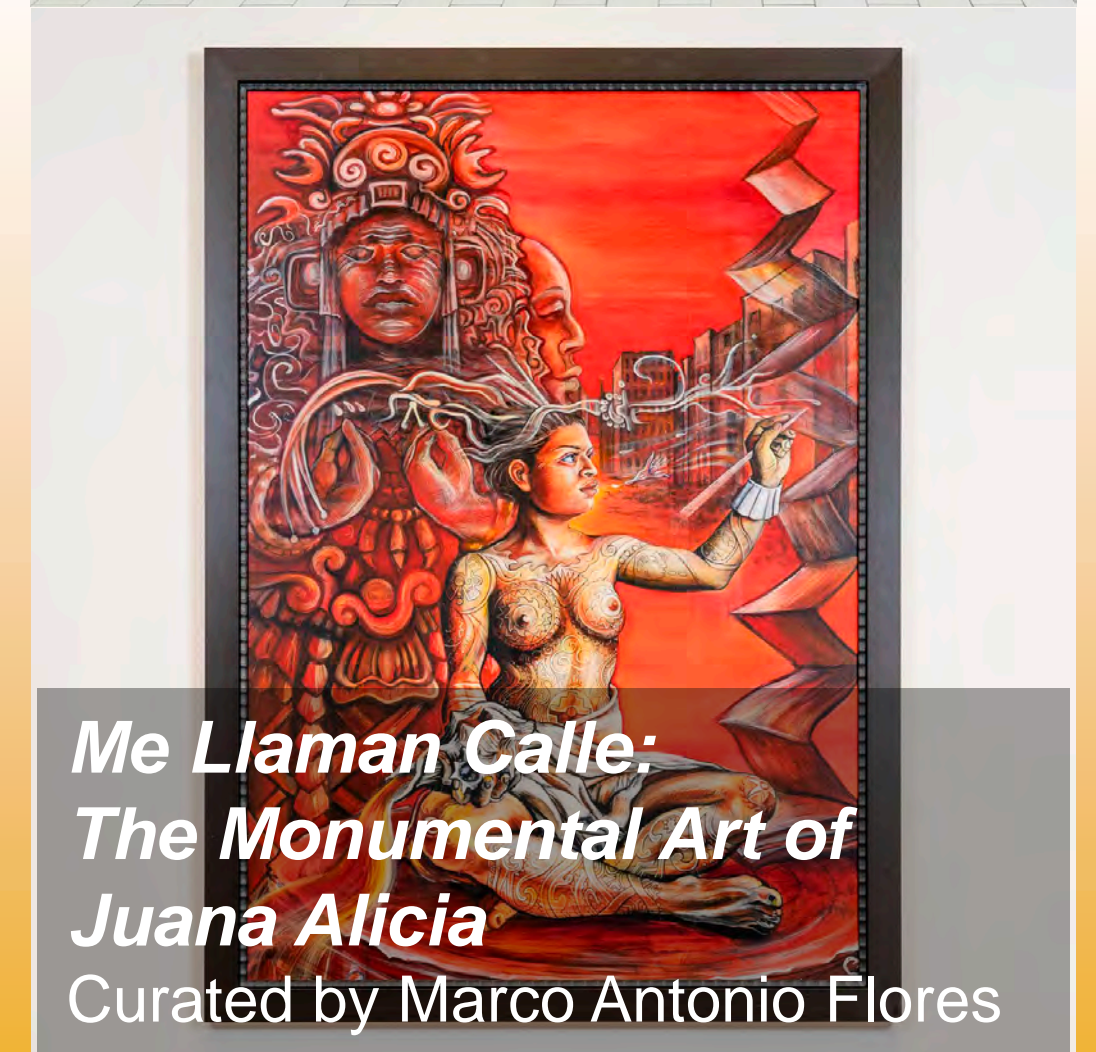
Art With Elders: The Power of Creativity and Community
In partnership with Art With Elders



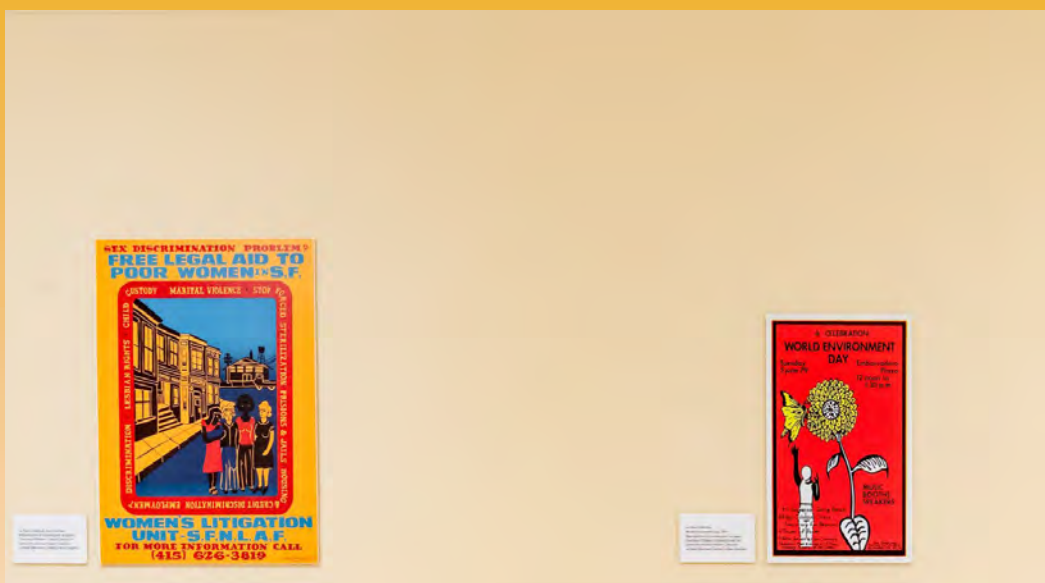
Crossing Lines/Lineas que Cruzamos
Curated by Ann Jastrab



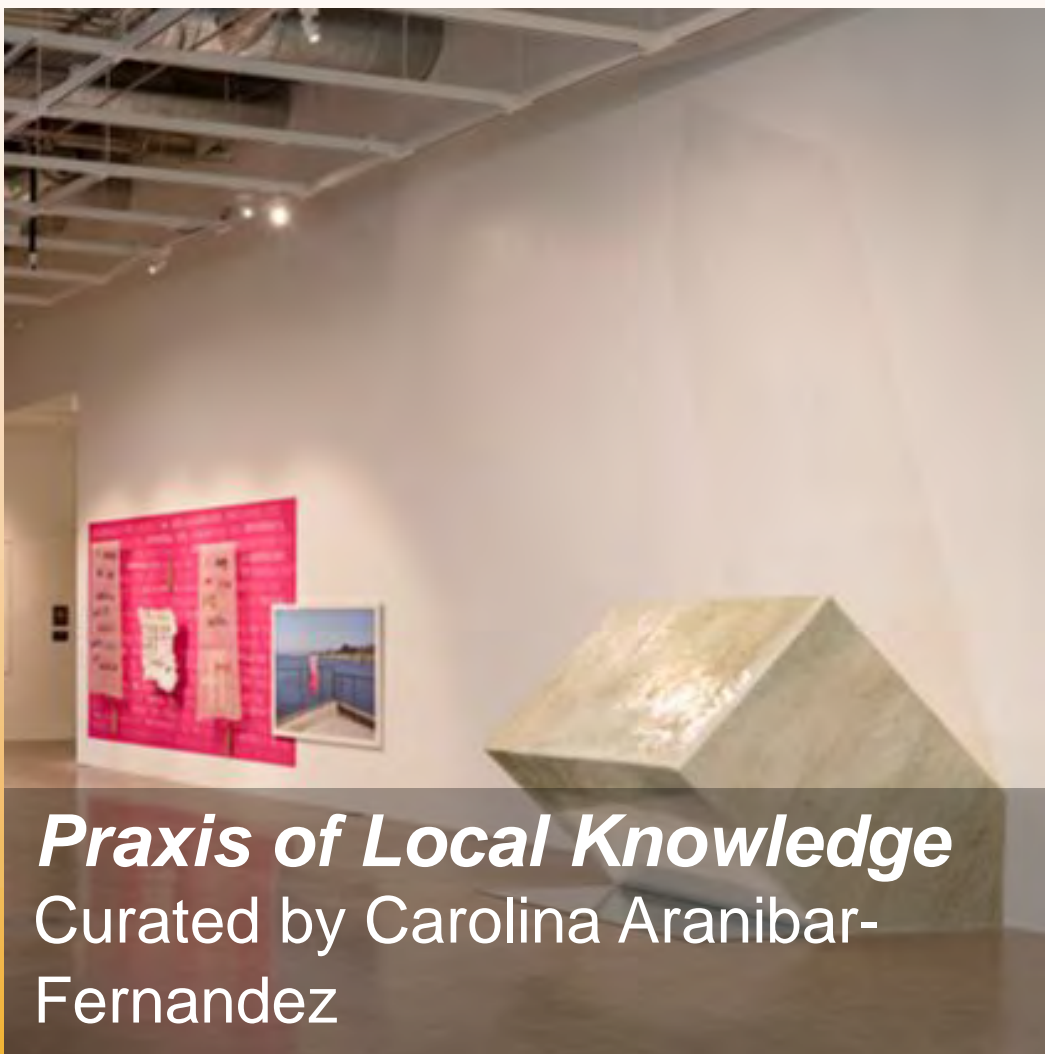
Invincible Black Soul: The Art of Bearing Witness
Curated by Mark Harris



Me Lllaman Calle: The Monumental Art of Juana Alicia
Curated by Marco Antonio Flores



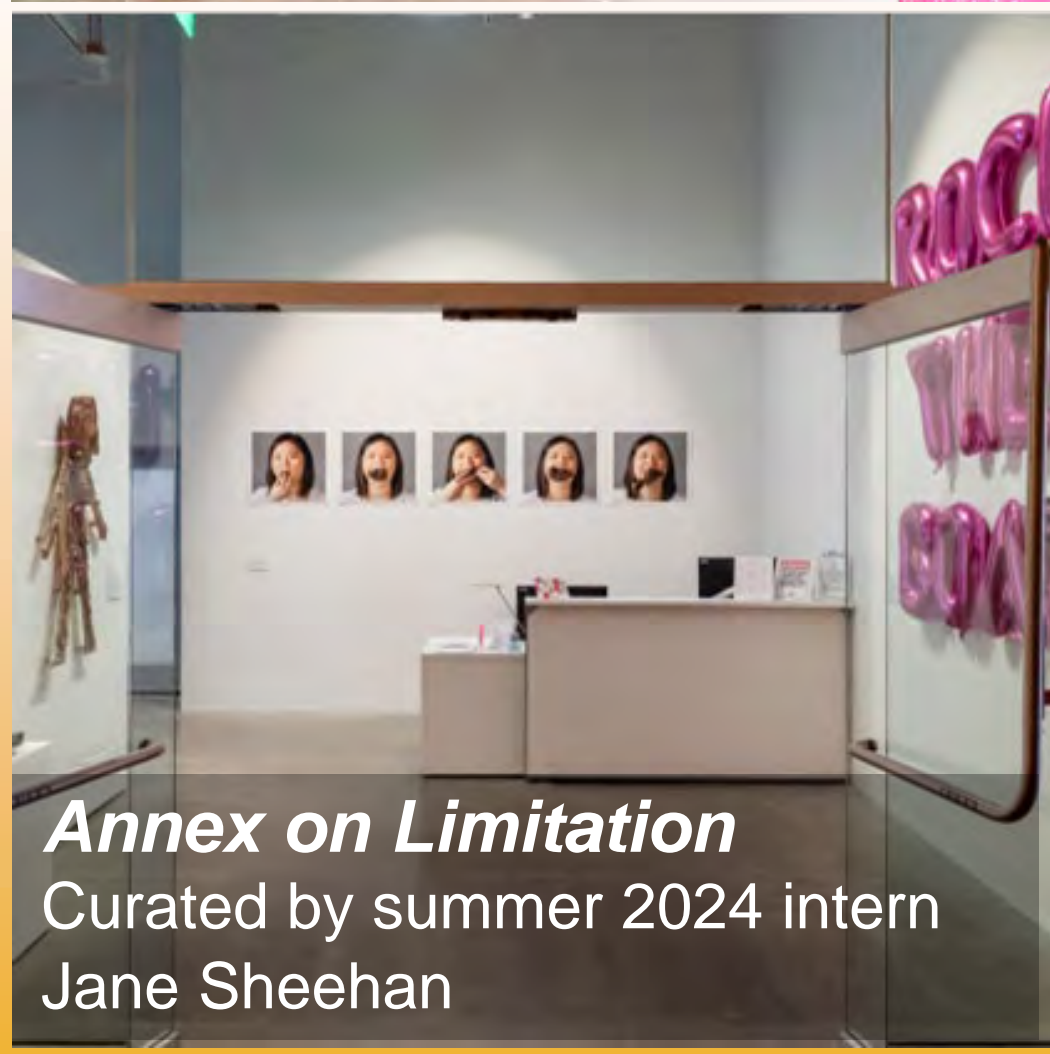
A Public Voice/Una Voz Pública
In partnership with MCCLA



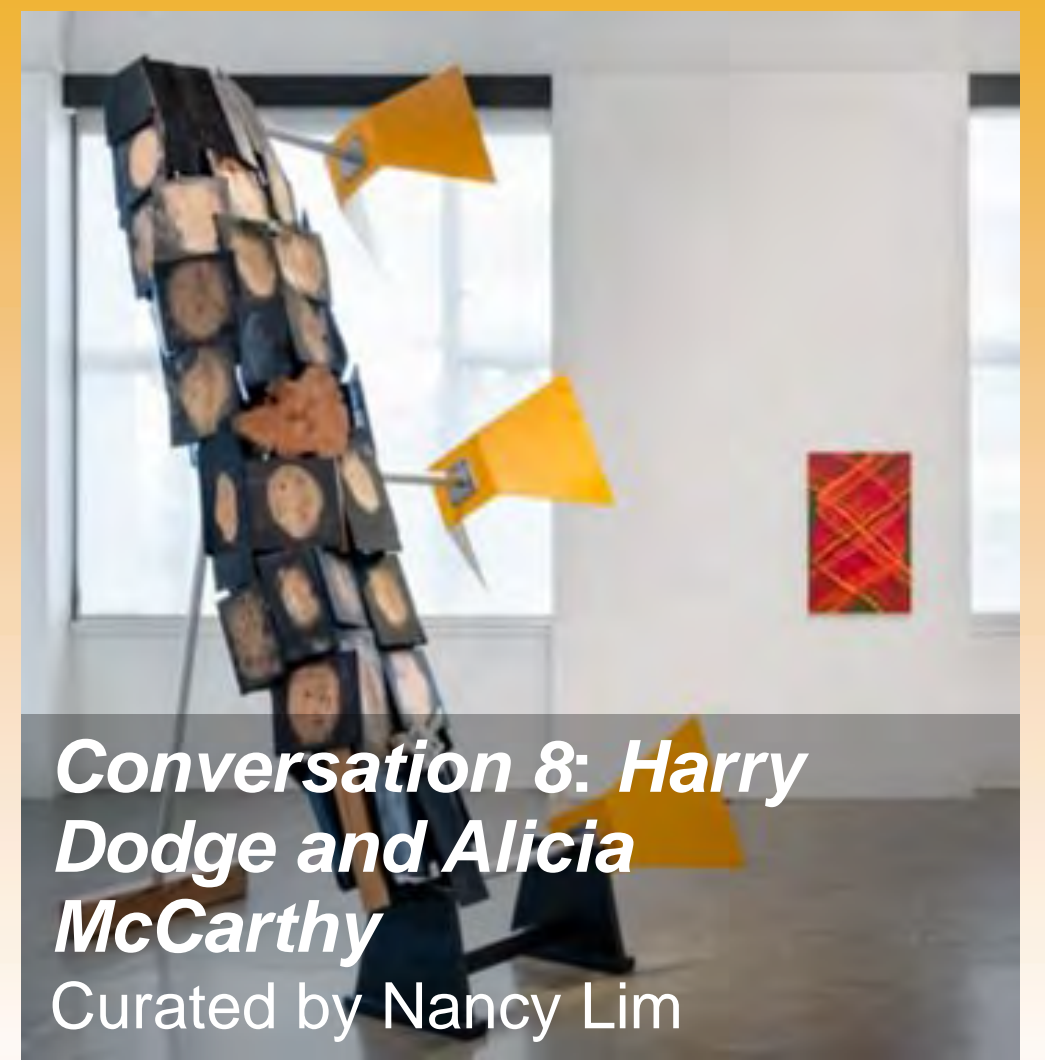
Praxis of Local Knowledge
Curated by Carolina Aranibar-Fernandez



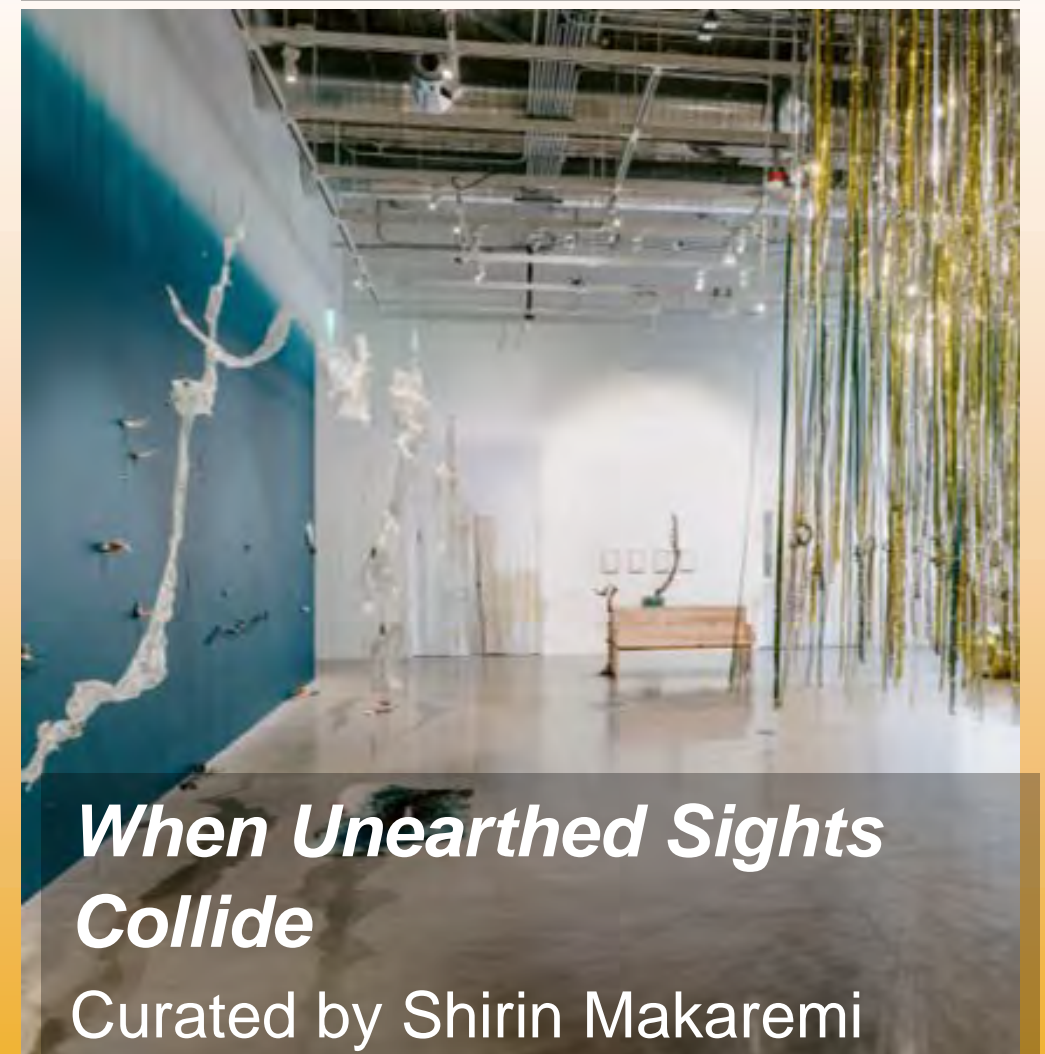
***Transcending
Physicality: The Essence of
Place***
Curated by Minoosh Zomorodinia



Annex on Limitation
Curated by summer 2024 intern
Jane Sheehan

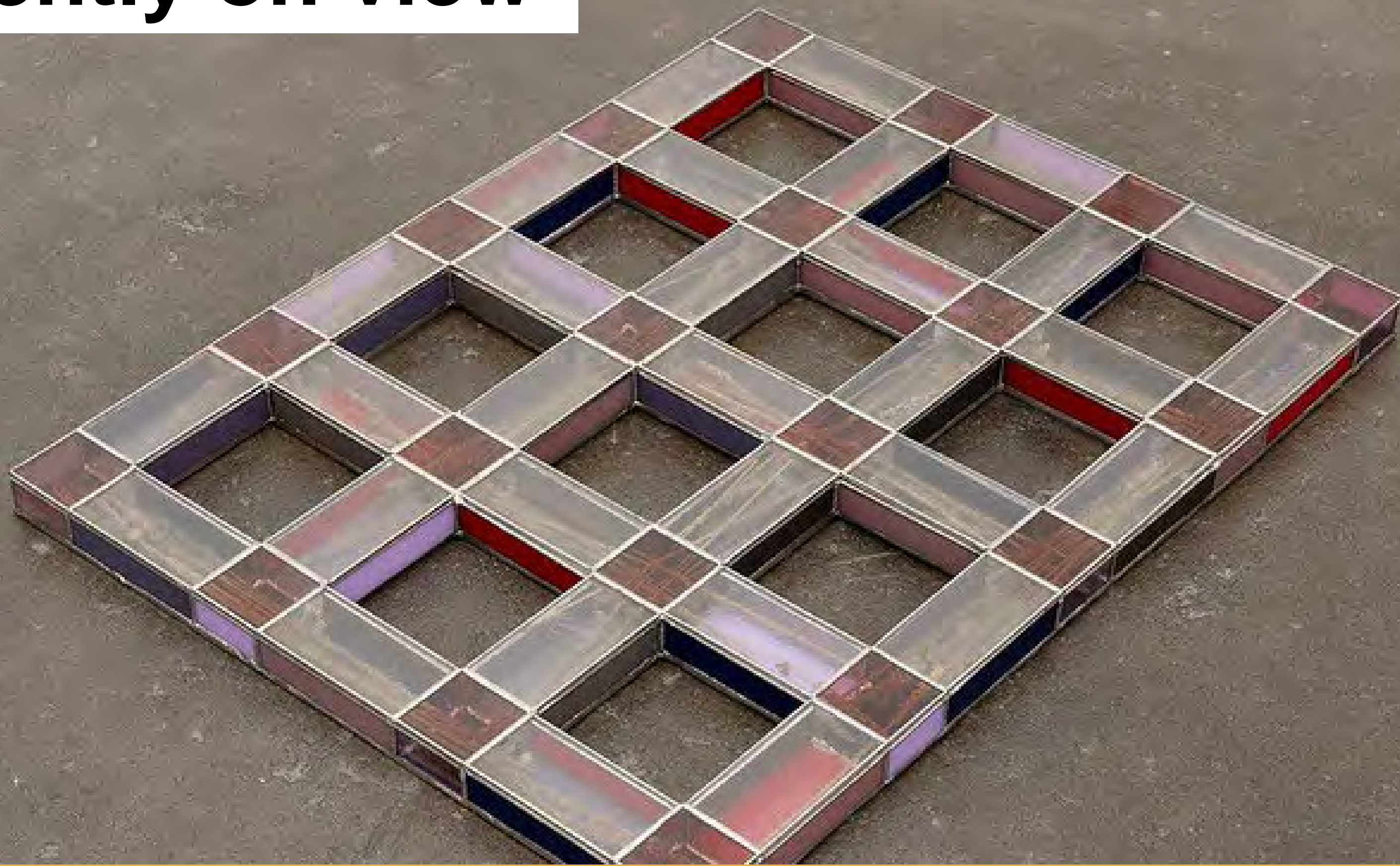


***Conversation 8: Harry
Dodge and Alicia
McCarthy***
Curated by Nancy Lim



***When Unearthed Sights
Collide***
Curated by Shirin Makaremi

Currently on view



Metaphors of Recent Times

In partnership with PhotoAlliance

January 16 – June 20, 2025, City Hall

Curated by Beth Davila Waldman



Ceremonies: Rituals to Self

February 6 – May 3, 2025, SFAC Main Gallery

Curated by PJ Gubatina Policarpio

Artists: Demian DinéYazhi', Gericault De La Rose,
Khari Johnson-Ricks, J Rivera Pansa, André
Bloodstone Singleton



Public Programs

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The Role of Arts in Building Social Connection

Art with Elders Community



Dreaming in Color Symposium

Juana Alicia Araiza, Cece Carpio, Maria Castro, Claudia A. Escobar, Lucia Gonzalez Ippolito, Irene Pérez, Laura E. Pérez, and Marina Pérez-Wong

Go West: African American Lives and Westward Migration

Trina Michelle Robinson with Audrey Johnson and Christopher Lowell Clarke



Artists in Residence



2022 Artist in Residence Program at the San Francisco Public Library

Xandra Ibarra



James Q. Chan



Gazelle Samizay



Tanea Lunsford Lynx

A new work by 2022 Artist in Residence
tanea lunsford lynx

we were here

Exhibition On View:
December 14, 2023-March 1, 2024
SFPL Main Branch
African American Center
100 Larkin Street, 3rd Floor

we were here is a creative investigation of the Black American presence in San Francisco in the late 1800s and early 1900s, particularly at the occurrence of the 1906 Earthquake. Centered around the captivating oral history of Aurelious Alberga (1884-1988), the exhibition celebrates the historical presence of Black San Francisco while contemplating the present.

sfac galleries  San Francisco Public Library

2023 Artist in Residence Program at the San Francisco Public Library

Preethi Ramaprasad



Celeste Chan



Christopher Burch



Tossie Long



2024 Artist in Residence Program with Recreation and Parks Department at the India Basin Waterfront Park, Bayview-Hunters Point

Afatasi the Artist



Conni McKenzie



Curator: Rhiannon Evans MacFadyen



Service Tension

May 22 – August 23, 2025, SFAC Main Gallery

Curated by Elena Gross & Leila Weefur



Mentorship Exhibition Open Call - June 2025



San Francisco Arts Commission and Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs Newcomers Community Workshops



The Gallery is working towards becoming more...

Different Abilities Accessible & Environmentally Sustainable



Artists We've Worked With

Aaron Plant	Bay Area Regional	Corey Dibona	Eunbi Kwon	Irene Higgins
Adan Ortega	Indian Alliance	Cristine Blanco	Fanny Liu	Irene Perez
Adrian Arias	Bernard Sapitola	D Gonzalez	Farika	Izzy Cosentino
Adrian Burrell	Bess Meek	Daniela Rivera	Fauxnique	J. John Priola
Afatasi the Artist	Binh Danh	Daniela Tinoco	Felipe Martinez	J. Manuel Carmona
Alejandro Rubio	Bonnie Fan	Darcy Padilla	Fran Schiff	J Rivera Pansa
Alex Arzt	Bonnie Pérez	Da-seul Lee	Frances Richard	Jacqueline Spotwood
Alicia McCarthy	Bryan Keith Thomas	David Gardner	Frances Sedayao	Jacquín
Alison Ho	Calixto Robles	David Johnson	Francis Li	James Q Chan
Amak Mahmoodian	Carl Stokes	Deborah Childs	Gabriele Christian	Jared Carbajal
Amanda Marchand	Carlos Villa	Demian DinéYazhi'	Gazelle Samizay	Jayne Ross-Matsuda
Amanne Sharif	Carolina Maki Kitagawa	Destiny Muhammad	Georgina Reskala	Jean Rankin
Amy Berk	Frisby	Dorothy Clancy	Geraldine McGowan	Jeffrey McFarland
Ana Miranda	Cece Carpio	Dulce De Leche	Geri Hill	Jeongheon Bae
André Bloodstone Singleton	Celeste Chan	Ebrahim Golestan (estate)	Gericault De La Rose	Jessica Chen
Angel Maurno	Ceola Beasley	Ebti	Germán Herrera	Jesus Barraza
Angel Perez	Chieko Lafferty	Ed Drew	Go-Eun Im	Jim Winters
Anh Tuan Huynh	Christian Manzana	Edward Bergh	Golbanou Moghaddas	Joan Diblin
Anni Lopponen	Christine Huhn	Edythe Boone	Gooch	Jonathon Bout
Araiza	Christine Joy Ferrer	Elena Gross	Hamida Asif	Jos Sances
Ariel Dunitz-Johnson	Christine Wong Yap	Elliot Kushner	Harry Dodge	Jose Abad
Arlene Correa Valencia	Christopher Burch	Emelita Torio	Harry Williams	Josefina Bates
Arnold Benetti	Christopher	Emma Logan	Heesoo Kwon	Joshua Diaz
Audrey Johnson	Lowell Clarke	Ensemble Mik Nawooj	Helen Moore	Joshua Icbán
Barbara Boissevain	Claudia A. Escobar	Eric Robertson	Herbert Siqüenza	Juan R. Fuentes
Barbara Gray	Concepcion Ruiz	Esperanza Salazar	Hilda Ibarra	Juana Alicia Araiza
Barry Eskandanian	Connie McKenzie	Ester Hernandez	Ida Marksman	Juanita MORE!

Judi Iranyi	Lotchanna Sourivong	Nancy Hom	Rita Gibbs	Susan Cervantes	Yu-Chen Chiu
Katie Cofer	Louise Gibler	Nanyoungim &	Robert Gonzalez	Susan Shapiro	Yvonne Littleton
Kazumi Chin	Lourdes Pollard	Gregory Maass	Robert Leone	Sylvia Hughes-Gonzales	Zack Schomp
Kekun Ouyang	Lucia Gonzalez Ippolito	Nazafarin Lori	Rolando Silva	tanea lunsford lynx	Zhenyu Gong
Kelley O'Leary	Lucia Gonzalez Ippolito	NIC Kay	Rosa Quintana	tani tane	Zhi Ming Wu
Kelly Fogel,	Lucinda Lucero	Nikki Jizz	Rosario Martinez	Tanya Montgomery	
Kennedi Carter	Lynn Katz	Nina Ng	Roslyn Tunis	Theresa Piccirillo	
Kered Whitcraft	M Medina	Nina Sidneva	Roy De Forest	Tiare Ribeaux	
Khari Johnson-Ricks	Marna Clarke	Nina Voliy	Rusty Weston	Timothy Cummings	
Kiana Honarmand	Marcel Pardo Ariza	Nora Luevano	S Prieto	Tirso G. Araiza	
Kim Arteche	Margaret Bacon	Orin Solace	S. Emsaki	Tomás Lopez	
Kim Requesto	Margaret Kilgallen	Oscar Melara	S. Estrada	Tomiko Ishiwatari	
Kim Ringle	Maria Trujillo	Paccarik Orue	Sal Garcia	Tony Lai Yu	
Koak	Marie-Luise Klotz	Patricia Ong	Sanaz Safanasab	Tossie Long	
L.A. Campos de la Garza	Marina Pérez -Wong	Paul Owns the Sabre	Sarah Armstrong	Trina Michelle Robinson	
La Raza	Mark Coggins	Peekaboo	Sarah Christianson	Varela	
Lance Shields	Mark Harris	Philip Ojeda	Sarai Montes	Vaso Paris	
Landa Lakes	Mary Fleming	Pablo Tapay Bautista	Scooter La Forge	Victoria Chan	
Leleticia Mapp	Masha Kachaeva	Precita Eyes	Sean Freitas	Victoria Trodden	
Leon Borensztein	Matthew Benedict	Preethi Ramaprasad	Serge Gay Jr.	Walter Jourdan III	
Lewis Watts	Meera Desai	Princess Panocha	Shirin Khalatbari	Wayne Levin	
Li Zhen Huang	Mercedes Dorame	Quinn Romano	Silvia Camargo	Wesaam Al-Badry	
Lisa K. Blatt	Michael Roman	Rachael Lastimosa	Simon Malvaez	William Mark Sommer	
Liz Steketee	Miguel Arzabe	Rachel Romero	Sister Linda Hayward	William Rhodes	
London Pinkney	Mima Cataldo	Raymond L Haywood	Sister Madeleine Chi	Xandra Ibarra	
Lorena Molina	Miranda Bergman	Rene Castro	Stuart Goldstein	Yelena Khristich	
Lorena Pérez	Monica Martinez	Renee Billingslea	Sun Park	yétúndé ọlágabajú	
	Mr. David Glamamore	Richard Newman	Supermrin	Yu Chen	



COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS PROGRAM UPDATES



**DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
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THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS PROGRAM



CULTURAL EQUITY ENDOWMENT FUND

SEC. 68.1. PURPOSES

The Cultural Equity Endowment Fund is established to move San Francisco arts funding toward cultural equity.

The Arts Commission seeks to fund artists and organizations that foster artistic expression deeply rooted in and reflective of historically marginalized communities, including for example those communities highlighted by the Cultural Equity Endowment Legislation and the Grantmakers in the Arts’ “[Racial Equity in Arts Funding: Statement of Purpose and Recommendations for Action](#),” and the Cultural Equity Endowment Fund.



2022 SPX Fresh Meat Productions FRESH
MEAT FESTIVAL Trans And Queer Performers

ARTS IMPACT ENDOWMENT FUND



2023 AIE Ava Tong Granny Cart Gangstas
photo by Kate Dash

SEC. 515.01. HOTEL TAX ALLOCATIONS.

(5) Allocation Number 5 (Arts Impact Endowment): \$2,500,000 to the Arts Commission to address needs in the arts community...to be determined by a cultural services allocation plan prepared no later than March 1, 2019, and every five years thereafter.

The Arts Commission's work with the Arts Impact Endowment fund is governed by our [Cultural Services Allocation Plan](#), reviewed and renewed every five years.

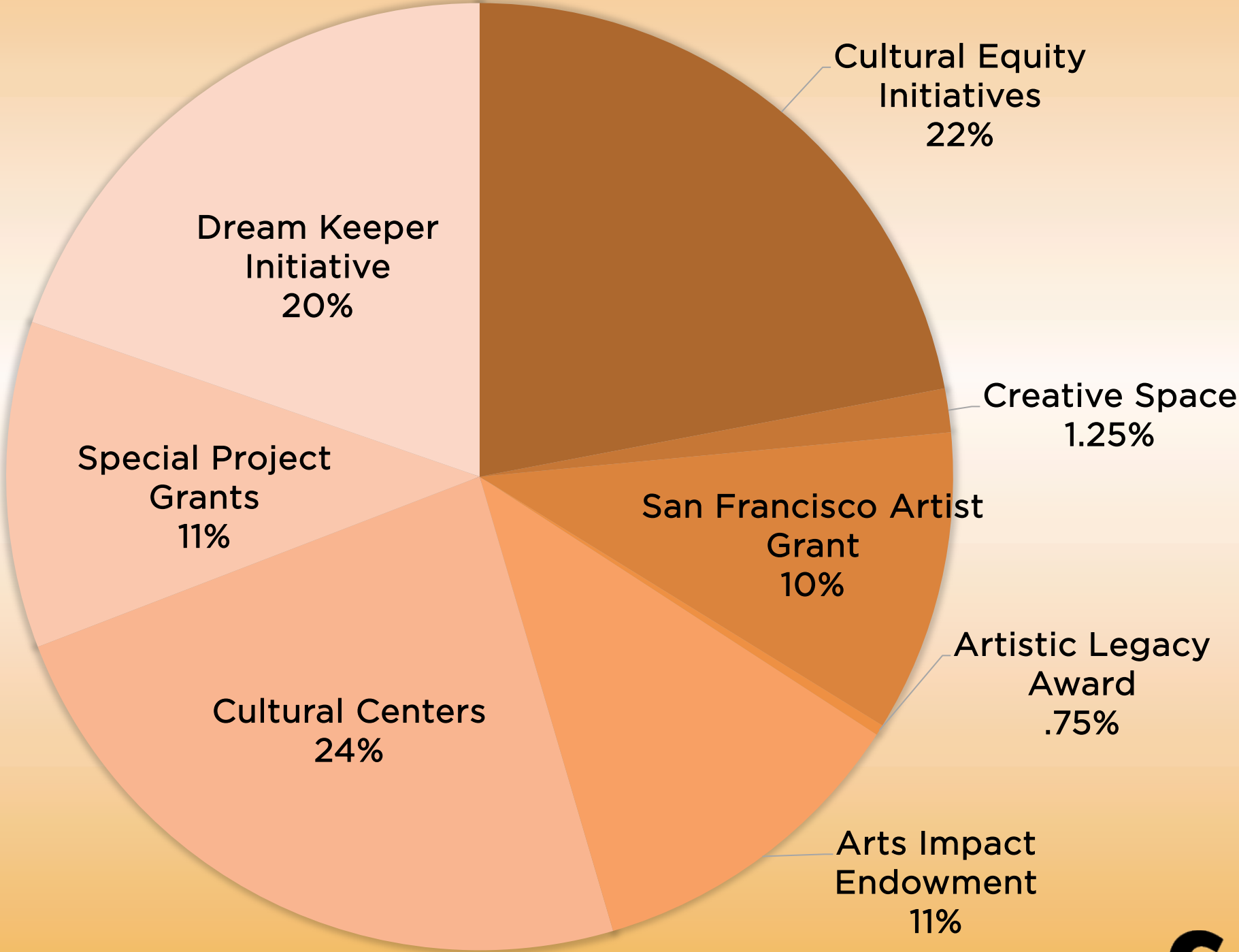
The theme for the 2024-2029 Cultural Services Allocation Plan is *Keeping Artists in San Francisco*.

THE LAST 3 YEARS:

- FY 21-22
- FY 22-23
- FY 23-24

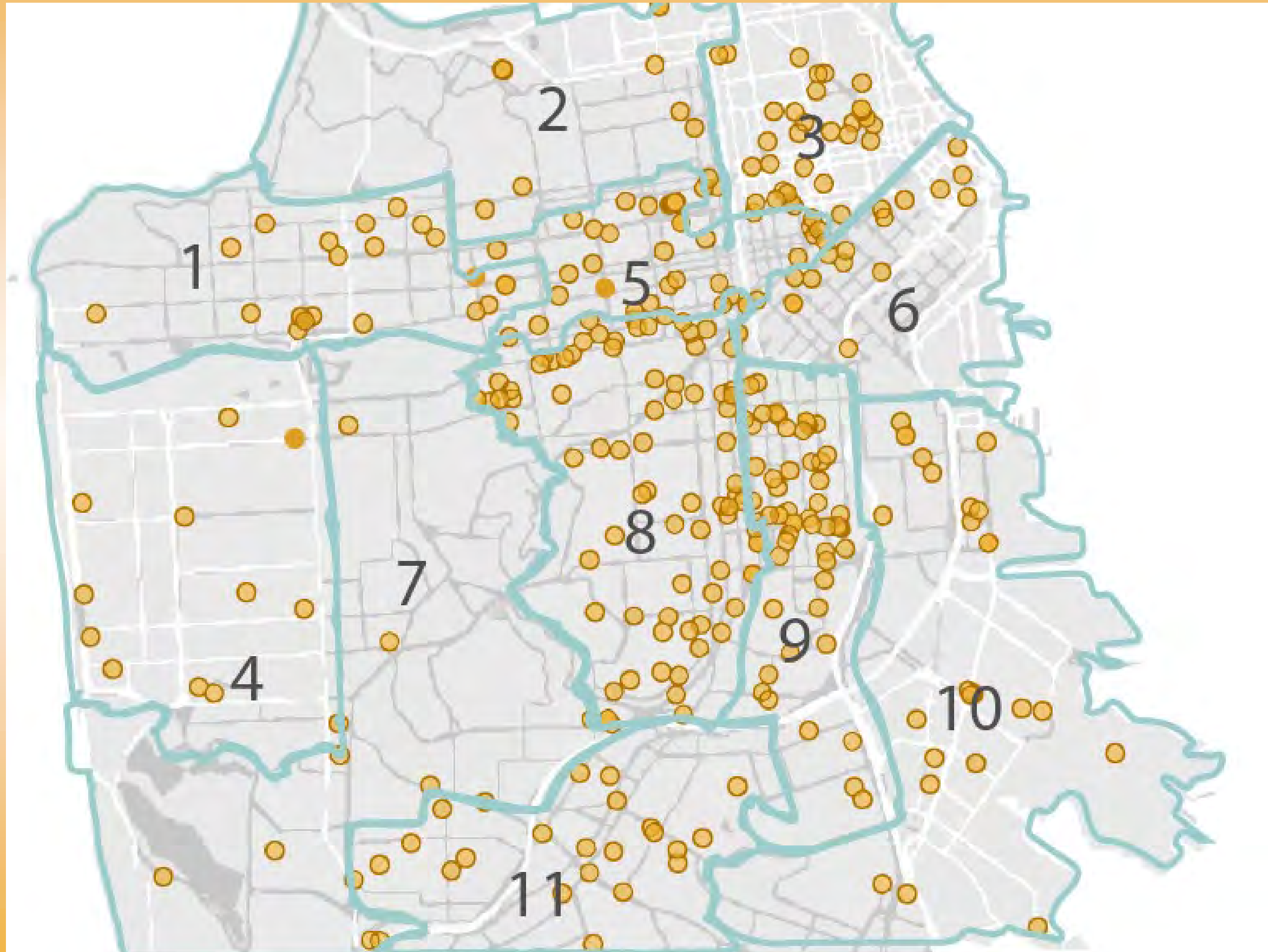
2022 - 2024 Grant Allocations

\$42,633,971

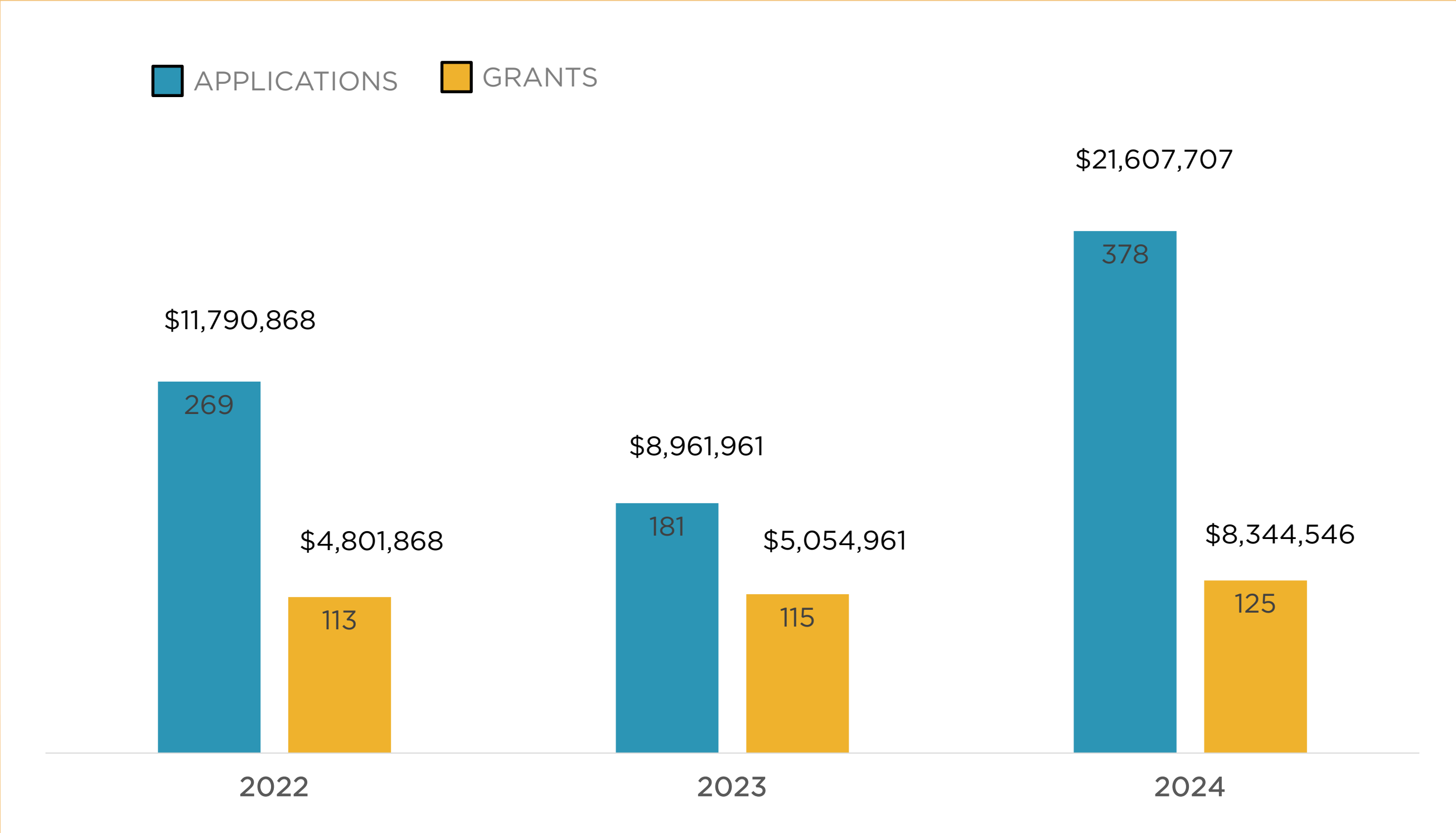


KEEPING ARTISTS IN SAN FRANCISCO

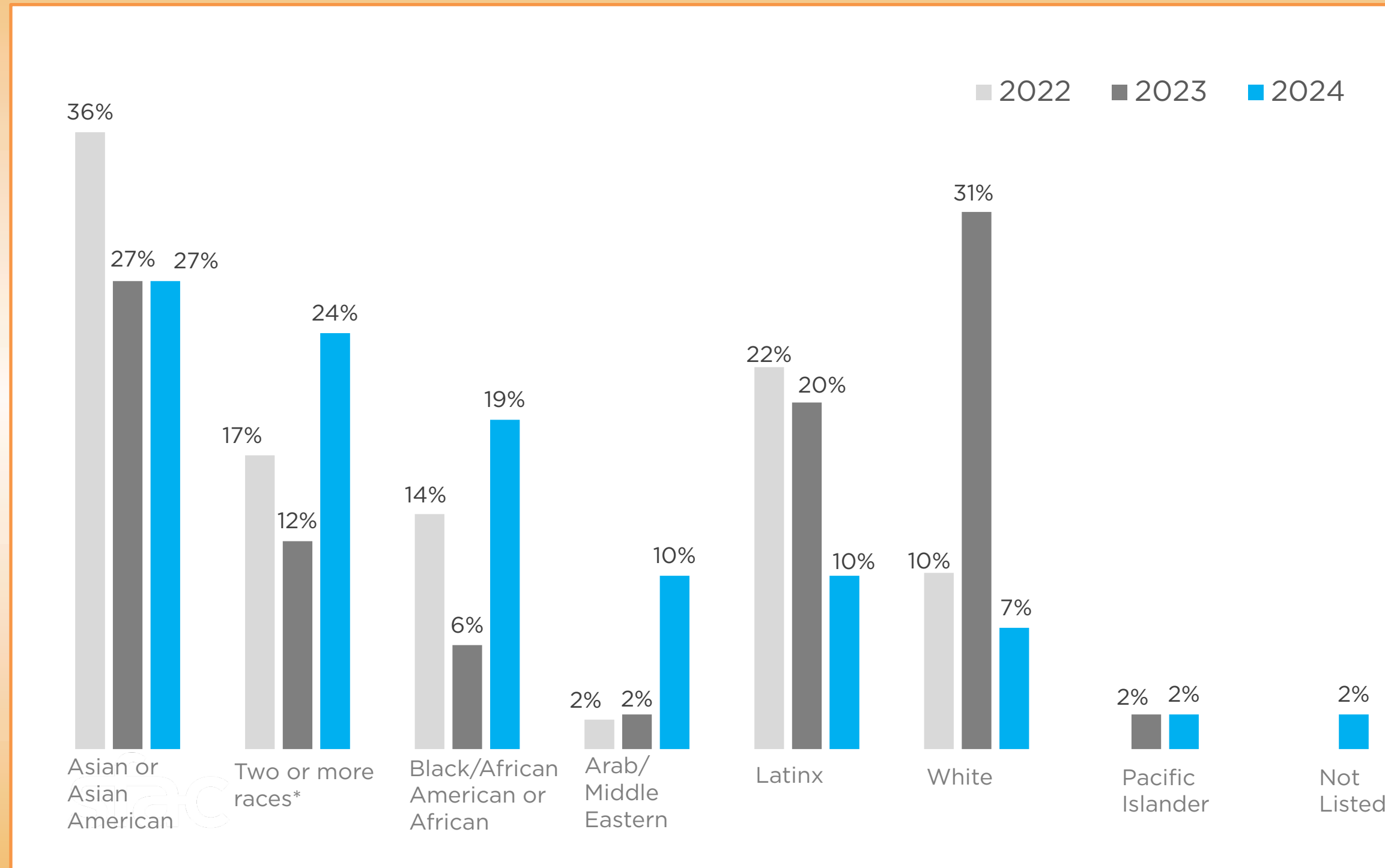
FY22-FY24 GRANTEES



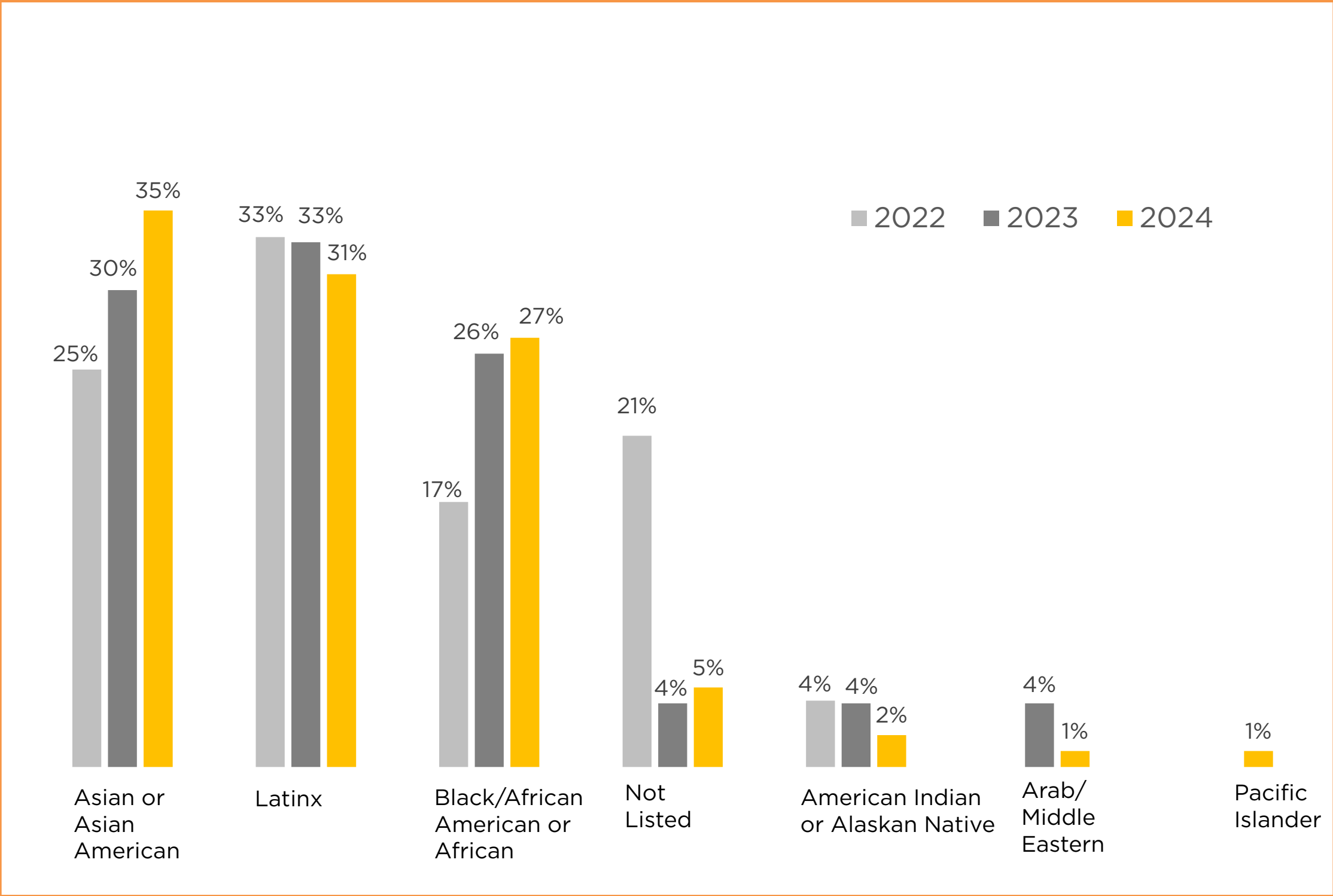
FY22-FY24 APPLICATIONS VS GRANTS



FY22-FY24 GRANTEE ARTIST DEMOGRAPHICS



FY22-FY24 GRANTEE ORGANIZATION AUDIENCE



WHAT'S NEW?







2024
RHODESSA
JONES



2023
LA POCHA NOSTRA
GUILLERMO GÓMEZ-PEÑA



2022
THEATRE OF YUGEN
YURIKO DOI



2021
ANNE BLUETHENTHAL
ABD/SKYWATCHERS



2020
JOANNA HAIGOOD
ZACCHO SF

HONORING

ARTISTIC LEGACY GRANT

AWRDEES



RECOGNIZING PAST ARTISTIC LEGACY GRANT AWARDEES



2020
ZACCHO SF
JOANNA HAIGOOD



2021
ABD/ SKYWATCHERS
ANNE BLUETHENTHAL



HONORS
2022 ARTISTIC LEGACY GRANT
AWARDEE



THEATRE OF YUGEN
YURIKO DOI WALKER



HONORS
2023 ARTISTIC LEGACY GRANT
AWARDEE



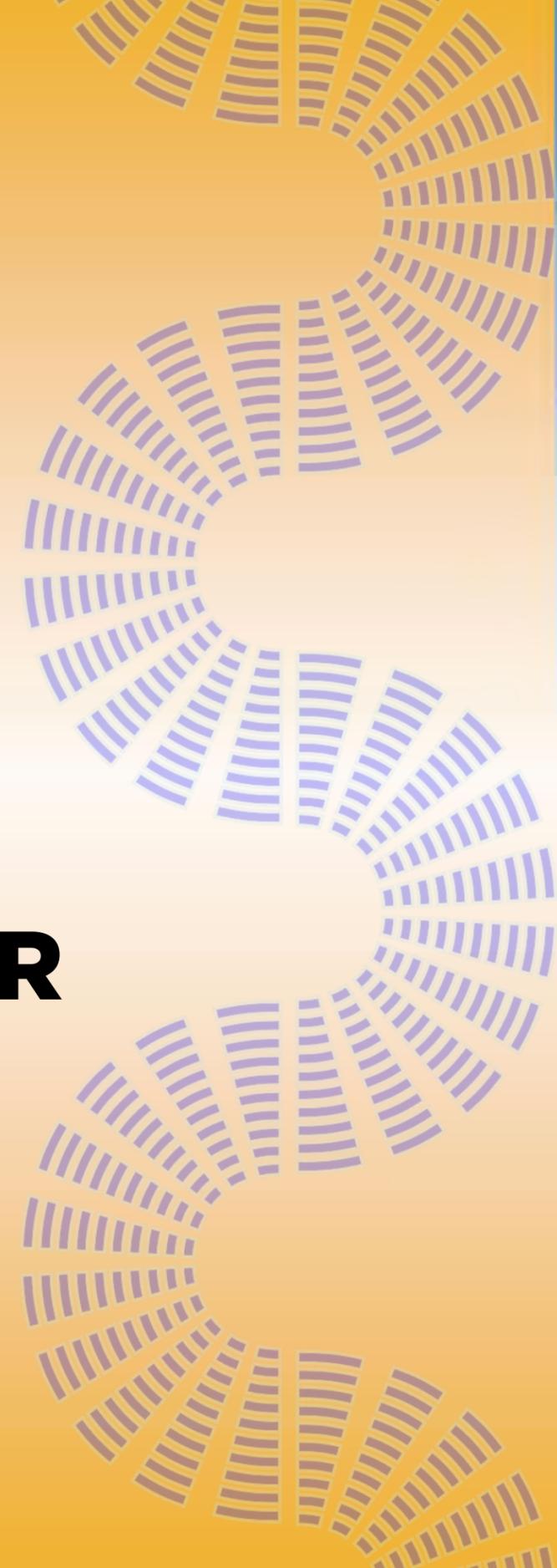
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Q&A AND TO MEET OUR STAFF!**