

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE March 17, 2017

Honorable Members of the Arts, Culture and Libraries Committee:

TO Mayor Pro Tem Monica R. Alonzo (Chair), Mark Clayton (Vice Chair), Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Erik Wilson, Carolyn King Arnold, Jennifer S. Gates, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT Arts Month – April 2017

On Monday, March 20, 2017, the Arts, Culture and Libraries Committee will be briefed on Arts Month – April 2017. The briefing materials are attached for your review.

Please contact me if you have questions or need additional information.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joey Zapata'.

Joey Zapata
Assistant City Manager

c: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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Arts Month – April 2017

**Arts, Culture and Libraries
Committee
March 20, 2017**



Office of Cultural Affairs
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**Jennifer Scripps, Director,
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Background/History

- Originally launched as Dallas Arts Week by Mayor Rawlings in 2012
- Traditionally held the 2nd week of April each year
- Expanded for April 2017 to allow for broader participation of audiences and arts groups all across the City of Dallas
- Website is www.dallasartsmonth.com



Purpose

- To share plans and upcoming highlights of the first-ever Dallas Arts Month coming soon in April 2017



Key Dates:

- Press conference: Wednesday, March 22 at Noon
- Mayor's Creative Conversation: "Art, Architecture and Placemaking" Monday, April 10 at 6pm at City Performance Hall
- Opening reception for "Decolonize Dallas": April 11, Nasher Sculpture Center at 6pm
- Family Arts Day: Ronald Kirk Pedestrian Bridge and Felix H. Lozada, Sr. Gateway, Saturday, April 15 from Noon to 4pm
- Arts Advocacy Day: Tuesday, April 18 at 10am at the Latino Cultural Center
- Arts District Block Party: Saturday, April 22 at Flora Street



Arts Month OCA Commissions:

- *Decolonize Dallas*: Darryl Ratcliff and Carol Zou are coordinating exhibits and programs in four locations
 - Southern Dallas (Super Fantasy Mercado at Southwest Center Mall)
 - Pleasant Grove (Pop-up Art Exhibition at Buckner Train Station)
 - West Dallas (Artist exhibitions at West Dallas Multipurpose Center)
 - Vickery Meadow (*Water is Life* at Trans.lation)
- Family Arts Day: CAP artists, DISD arts programs
- Cultural Vitality Program (CVP) Projects:
 - Color Me Empowered – “Art Drops” in Oak Cliff
 - Dallas Contemporary – “Chit Chat” with Mexican artist Pia Camil
 - Making Art with Purpose – Mobile Pavillion pop-up structure in Arts District
 - Sammons Center – D’Jam FREE jazz concert at DCPH on April 8th
 - Video Association – exhibit, artist talk and workshop of Dallas artist Eve-Lauryn Little Shell LaFountain in the Cedars

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