







Dear Friends of the Arts,

April is Arts Advocacy Month, so it's time to once again ask our representatives to continue funding the arts in California. We are heading up to Sacramento next week to meet with our state representatives - we have four (4) in Monterey County:

Senator John Laird (D17) Assembly Member Dawn Addis (D30) Senator Anna Caballero (D14) Assembly Member Robert Rivas (D29)

Please take a moment to click on your representative(s) name above and send them a quick note to "support the arts" by increasing funding to the California Arts Council. Currently, California is 28th in the nation in per capita spending (\$.65) on the arts, and our industry has been uniquely impacted by the pandemic. We would like to see an increase to \$1.00 per capita for funding the arts in California.

We appreciate your time to support of the arts!

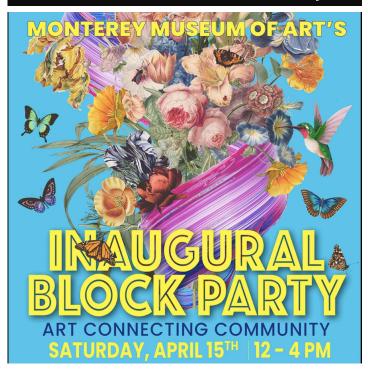
Warmly,

Jacquie Atchison **Executive Director** 

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## See You at the MMA Block Party!



Arts4MC will be at the Monterey Museums of Art's Inaugural Block Party this Saturday, April 15th from 12 pm - 4pm.

Stop by to create some Origami while you learn more about the Arts Council for Monterey County!

### Mural at Soledad-Mission Recreation District



Thanks to funding from The Rita & Luis Echenique Foundation, Arts4MC Teaching Artist Brenda Scettrini-Saglio worked with after-school students at Gablian Elementary School in Soledad. These students learned about community art and worked on a collaborative project that was exhibited in their cafeteria.

As part of this funding, this beautiful community mural project at Soledad-Mission Recreation District was designed and painted by Brenda Scettrini-Saglio with assistance from Caitlin Scettrini Williams, Ashley Scettrini, and Paul Richmond in collaboration with Arts Council for Monterey County!

#### Vote for Arts4MC!



The Target Circle Community Giving Program will benefit the Arts Council for Monterey County until June 30, 2023. Target Circle customers can use their Votes earned from Target purchases to vote for Arts4MC during the live campaign!

Here are some instructions on how to vote:

- 1. Open the Target App
- 2. Click on the "My Target" button in the bottom right corner of the screen
- 3. Click on "Votes Available"
- 4. Click on your "Number of Votes Available" next to Vote for Nonprofits
- 5. Add votes for the Arts Council for Monterey County & press "Cast \_\_ Votes"

Thank you in advance for supporting #Arts4MC. Your votes determine the amount of the \$15,000 total award available for the five nonprofits.

See this video tutorial for step-by-step instructions: bit.ly/targetforarts

Join the Give Every Month Program!



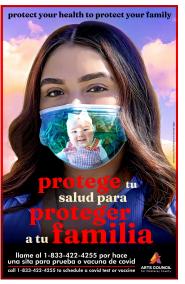
By becoming a GEM (Give Every Month), you can make a sustained impact on arts education in your community, helping to ensure that children have access to quality arts programming year-round. Click below to learn more about how you can support the Arts Council's mission through monthly giving.

LEARN MORE

BECOME A GEM

# Protect Your Health & Your Family





The Arts Council for Monterey County has teamed up with local artists to develop these mask posters to put up in your home or business window. They are bright, colorful and engaging, and free to use. Even though the pandemic is over, it's still important to protect ourselves, our neighbors, visitors and businesses, and wearing a mask is a step towards slowing the spread of Covid-19 and other illnesses. The State of California recommends getting vaccinated and tested if you are experiencing symptoms of Covid 19.

DOWNLOAD THE POSTERS

**Summer Teaching Artists Available** 



Seeking a Professional Teaching Artist? Our visual and performing art teachers are available for K-12 summer instruction at your school or organization. Contact us to hire a teaching artist this summer! Email Karyn Lee-Garcia, Programs Director, at karyn@arts4mc.org with the subject line "Summer School Programs". NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

# Poetry Workshop



**Inaugural Youth Poet Laureate** 

Monterey County Free Libraries

for Monterey County









Congratulations to Mahi Shah of Salinas, a junior at Notre Dame High School, who was selected as Monterey County's first Youth Poet Laureate. Arts4mc is proud and excited to bring more poetry to our region!

#### Save the Date

Inaugural Youth Poet Laureate Commencement April 22, 2023 at 12:00pm 190 Seaside Circle, Marina 93933

Read more about Mahi Shah at arts4mc.org/youth-poet-laureate

# **Opportunities for Teaching Artists**



Are you interested in becoming a teaching artist to empower and support Monterey County youth?

In-classroom and virtual opportunities for the 2023 school year. Please submit a cover letter, resume, lesson plan sample and examples of student projects or

personal portfolio to Karyn Lee-Garcia, Programs Director, to karyn@arts4mc.org with subject line "Teaching Artist". *NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE*.

## **Events/Happenings**

April 1st - 30th: National Poetry Month

April 14th: Sol Treasures Presents Meet the Artists

April 15th: Jo Mora Day Celebration at Monterey History & Art at Stanton Center

April 14th - 16th: What the Constitution Means to Me

April 21st: Arts Outreach and Cultural Diversity Conference

### Call to Artists/Auditions

April 18th: CAC Open Call: Grant Review Panelists

April 21st: 2023 Congressional Art Competition

April 24th: Monterey County Poetry Student Contest by The Heinrich Team

May 1st: Teaching Artist Opportunity at Weston Collective

July 15th: Register for 2023 Artists Studio Tour

## **Grants & Scholarships**

Ongoing: Free Video Tutorial Grant Writing for Succe\$\$







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## **Art Directory**

Did you know.... The Arts Council for Monterey County has an arts directory that allows you to quickly find all types of arts classes throughout Monterey County?

- Carmel Visual Arts
- Open Ground Studios

Click <u>here</u> to add your own organization, or update your existing directory listing, to help others find you.



Thank you to the County of Monterey and the Board of Supervisors for the ongoing support of the Arts Council for Monterey County's efforts to strengthen and broaden the County's economic base.

Support the arts in Monterey County!

**Donate Now** 

