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LA Art Show News

Opening Night Premiere with Celebrity Host Ashley Tisdale a Dazzling Success Drawing Crowds and Raising Funds for St. Jude! Day 1 Highlights for Thursday, February 16...

Opening Night Premiere Party a Great Success!

We're thrilled that our Opening Night Premiere Party drew large crowds of enthusiastic art lovers and raised funds for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, our charity partner. Many thanks to Ashley Tisdale for appearing as our her gracious celebrity host this year.

Here are some more highlights from the evening:



LA Art Show Celebrity Host, Actor Ashley Tisdale



Actors Terry Crews (L) and Dania Ramirez attend the LA Art Show opening night premiere party.



Co-owner LA Art Show, Scott Diamant, Actor Ashley Tisdale, Producer / Director of LA Art Show, Cassandra Voyagis, Angela, Northrop, Regional Executive Director, Pacific Coast of St. Jude.

Event: Robert Vargas Live Painting



Crowds of visitors gathered to see artist Robert Vargas live painting a powerful mural on site at the opening of the LA Art Show. Part of the artist's series, The sacRED Project, the mural, entitled, "Protect The Life Givers," will be on view throughout the show.

The third mural in a three-city series – Albuquerque, New York City and now Los Angeles – is a call to address the epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada, the United States and Latin America.

The #MMIW movement is intended to focus on the impact of violence in communities, and the high rates of domestic violence, sexual violence and growing rates of trafficking combined with the problems of poverty, racism and homelessness, which make this issue more challenging to address.

Reception for Korean Dignitaries



(L-R) Brenda Lee, LA Art Show Korean Art Affairs Director, Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Los Angeles, Youngwan Kim and Producer / Director of LA Art Show, Kassandra Voyagis.

We were delighted to have a group of Korean dignitaries attend our Opening Night Premiere.

LA Art Show Producer-Director Kassandra Voyagis, along with the Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Los Angeles Youngwan Kim, and the Director of the Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles Sangwon Jung, gathered to welcome the 14 Korean Galleries participating in the 28th Edition of the LA Art Show.

DIVERSEartLA Cultural reception for International Dignitaries

We were pleased to host a Meet & Greet for DIVERSEartLA with International Dignitaries representing Europe, including the Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany Los Angeles, Stefan Schneider and the Director of Italian Institute of Culture, Emanuele Amendola, during the Opening Night Premiere. Curated by Marisa Caichiolo, our DIVERSEartLA exhibition platform is a collaborative program involving the participation of several international museums and art organizations.



Ardy Kassakhian, Glendale Library Art Gallery / City of Glendale Mayor, Encarna Martínez Pozo, Council Consulate of Spain in Los Angeles, Alfredo De Stefano, Artist from Mexico, Kassandra Voyagis, Producer / Director of LA Art Show, Marisa Caichiolo, Curator, DIVERSEartLA, Stefan Schneider, Consul General Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany Los Angeles and Emanuele Amendola, Director Italian Cultural Institute Los Angeles.



Ardy Kassakhian, Glendale Library Art Gallery / City of Glendale Mayor



La Neomudejar Museum / Madrid Spain / Artist Carmen Isasi: Uninhibited, part of DIVERSEartLA



Visitors gather outside DIVERSEartLA exhibitions on opening night.



AMA Museum of the Americas / Alfredo De Stefano artist: *The Pulse of Silence*, part of DIVERSEartLA

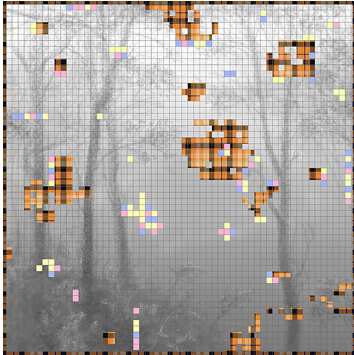
DIVERSEartLA Highlight:

Project: **Rendezvous: Esta tierra es Mi Tierra**

Artist: **Davis Birks**

Curator: **Laura Ayala**

DIVERSEartLA returns to the LA Art Show with nine compelling immersive installations addressing the global climate crisis. We are proud to present this state-of-the-art exhibition platform, curated by Marisa Caichiolo, which involves the participation of museums and art organizations from around the world. One of this year's programs is, *Rendezvous: Esta tierra es Mi Tierra* by Davis Birks.



In his video installation, Birks offers us the possibility to activate a conversation in which we can review the past, the present and the future. The work is a reflection on the environment and our impact on it. The video observes how an organic body of water, a river, is replaced by one of geometric and artificial order.

The curves and the apparent disorder in which the small stones of a river are placed, and the capricious shapes with which the water flows, will be replaced by a Tartan pattern. The artist chose this pattern as a reference and homage to his Scottish ancestry. The crisscrossing lines could be the axes of a GPS grid, or the interwoven linear trace of the urbanizations in which we live and that is “natural” to us. Birks confronts us with Nature observed through a surveillance camera lens, the reason he elected to produce the video in black and white.

Various themes emerge from a narrative, apparently simple, that unfolds many layers of interpretation.

Read more about this year's DIVERSEartLA platform [here](#).

We hope to see you there!

Photo Highlights from Opening Night







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Thursday, February 16, 2023
12–8pm

General Admission:
One Day Ticket \$30

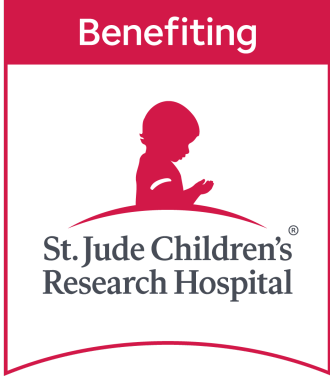
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