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## GAVIN ROSSDALE CHOSEN AS ART AMBASSADOR FOR LA ART SHOW

*The Kick-Off Party For LA's Longest-Running Art Fair Unites International Collectors, Artists, Celebrities and Art Patrons In the Fight to End Childhood Cancer*



### **OPENING NIGHT PREMIERE**

Wednesday, January 23, 2019  
Red Card Collectors | 6pm - 7pm  
Vanguard | 7pm - 8pm  
Friends | 8pm - 11pm

### **SHOW HOURS**

Thursday, January 24, 2019 | 11am - 7pm  
Friday, January 25, 2019 | 11am - 7pm  
Saturday, January 26, 2019 | 11am - 7pm  
Sunday, January 27, 2019 | 11am - 5pm

### **LOS ANGELES CONVENTION CENTER - WEST HALL**

1201 South Figueroa Street Los Angeles, CA 90015

### **TICKETS**

<https://tinyurl.com/LAArtShow2019>



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**Gavin Rossdale**, lead vocalist, songwriter and guitarist for the band BUSH, has been chosen as an **Art Ambassador** for the 2019 LA Art Show. This year's 24<sup>th</sup> addition will be held Jan. 24–27 at the **Los Angeles Convention Center**. The LA Art Show, one of the largest international art fairs in the country, attracts an elite roster of national and international galleries, acclaimed artists, highly regarded curators, architects, design professionals, along with collectors and the general public.

Rossdale was tapped as art ambassador based on his history as an active art collector and a supporter of galleries in Los Angeles and around the world. He'll appear Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> at the **2019 Opening Night Premiere Gala**, opening night event to be hosted by actor Kate Beckinsale. Proceeds from that evening will support of **St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital** for the fifth year in a row. All proceeds from the sales of Patron and Vanguard tickets and 15 percent of Friend tickets will go directly to the charity. All attendees of Opening Night Premiere party are supporting the lifesaving mission of St. Jude: Finding Cures. Last year, actor Jon Hamm hosted the evening which was attended by more than 7,000 VIPS.

"There's a vibrant intersection between the current Los Angeles art scene and the film and music industry; Gavin Rossdale is an inspired art ambassador choice as he exemplifies this breed of discerning, passionate advocate and collector who also excels in various mediums," said Kim Martindale, director of the LA Art Show.

"My whole life has been affected by art; it has always provided a safe place to think and to disappear – same now as then," noted Rossdale. "When I sold my first record, I bought a Tim Noble and Sue Webster painting; it's their only self portrait and I am extremely lucky to have the piece."

Rossdale noted that he's particularly drawn as a collector to "figurative oils" and gladly name checked several artists he especially admires. "Francis Bacon is my guru and Mark Rothko can move me more than I know why. Dustin Yellin blows my mind, EL Mac takes me to a dreamscape and Banksy is more thought-provoking than anyone I've ever met and no I haven't met (him)."

While Rossdale says, "I'll go anywhere for art," he noted several galleries he likes to frequent: Patrick Painter, Freeman, Sadie Coles and Marlborough Galleries. He also tries to visit museums while BUSH is on tour and the band hits the road in February for South America and Mexico.

BUSH has sold close to 20 million records in the U.S. and Canada alone. Together with BUSH, Rossdale has enjoyed a string of 18 consecutive Top 40 singles on the Modern Rock and Mainstream Rock charts including 11 that hit the top five. Six of these became No 1 hits: "Comedown," "Glycerin," "Machinehead," "Swallowed," "The Chemicals Between Us," and "The Sound of Winter." As a solo artist, he hit No. 1 on iTunes with "Love Remains the Same," which sold close to two million copies alone. *Hit Parader* ranked Rossdale 75<sup>th</sup> in the top 100 heavy metal vocalists of all time and in 2013 he received the British Academy's Ivor Novello Award for International Achievement; the award presenter was Coldplay's Chris Martin. BUSH's most recent album *Black and White Rainbows* was released in 2017 and he sang with Linkin Park at the memorial concert in memory of vocalist Chester Bennington.

Along with recording the touring, Rossdale has acted in films including 2013's *The Bling Ring*, the acclaimed black comedy from Oscar award-winning writer and director Sofia Coppola, 2005's *The Game of Their Lives*, in which he starred alongside Gerard Butler, and 2005's *Constantine*, opposite Keanu Reeves and Rachel Weisz. He also appeared in guest roles on television series including USA Network's *Burn Notice* and the CBS dramas *Criminal Minds* and *Hawaii Five-O*.

What would the busy Rossdale tell a newbie about the relevance of the LA Art Show? "What else are you going to do that's more important?" He asked rhetorically. "Art can save us so come over!" He also noted he hopes he can squeeze in an early walk through. "What a luxury to see all the art without the crowds – and the competitive buyers!"



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***About the LA Art Show***

The LA Art Show creates one of the largest international art fairs in the United States providing an exciting, immersive, insider art experience to sponsors, their select guests and VIP clients. The show attracts an elite roster of national and international galleries, acclaimed artists, highly regarded curators, architects, design professionals, along with discerning collectors. This innovative, exceptional cultural environment attracts executives and board members of Southern California businesses, state, county, and municipal government representatives, as well as leaders of the region's cultural institutions. Attendees are trend setters, influencers and alpha consumers, who seek and demand the newest and the best in all areas of their lives—art, design, food, technology and travel being specific passion points. [www.LAArtShow.com](http://www.LAArtShow.com)