



Happy New Year 2025

As 2024 comes to a close, amid the holiday season, and with the New Year before us, I want to offer my sincere thanks to the California LGBT Arts Alliance community and its members.

The mettle of an organization is tested in moments of strife, but so too are its resilience and spirit forged and strengthened.

The ongoing commitment of the community to supporting artists, each other, and our shared mission will help carry us forward in the months ahead and years to come.

I wish you and your loved ones happiness this holiday season, and a New Year filled with resistance, abundance, peace and joy.

Dante Alencastre, He/Him
Executive Director

We have a new domain name and website.
Please visit: calgbtartsalliance.org



IN MEMORIAM

Our beloved Webmaster and Newsletter Editor, Robert E. Roberts, has moved on to the ultimate after party.

As a legendary gay tattoo artist and a proud torchbearer of the leather and tattoo lineage of Cliff Raven and Phil Sparrow, Robert's impact on our community is immeasurable.

I thoroughly cherished the many years of working with him to bring you this newsletter. He put his heart and soul into every issue in collaboration with our leader, Greg Day.

May He Rest in Eternal Peace

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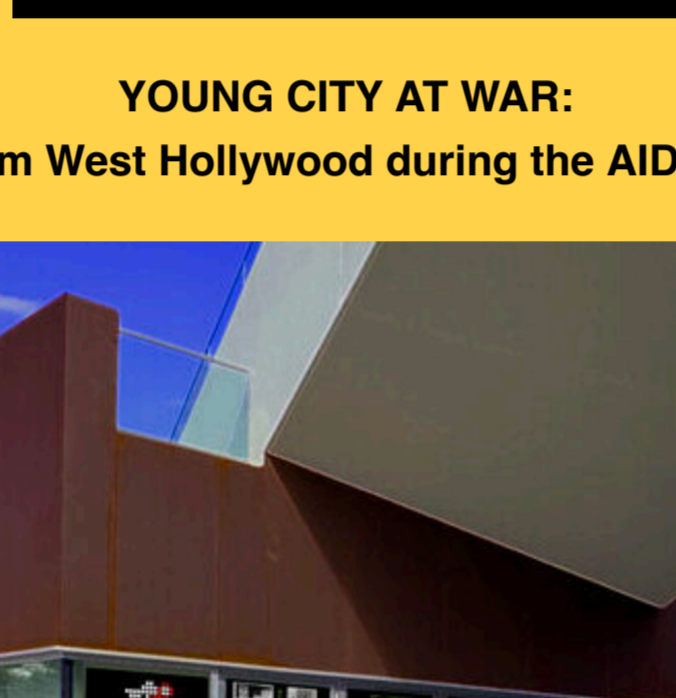
You're Invited:

"The Home We Build"
An Exhibition by One Institute's
Youth Ambassadors for Queer History

An exhibition of creative LGBTQ+ history projects
by queer and trans youth of Los Angeles.

In 1984, Audre Lorde proclaimed that, to build a world without racism and homophobia, we must "learn how to take our differences and make them strengths. For, the master's tools will never dismantle the master's house."

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YOUNG CITY AT WAR:
Stories from West Hollywood during the AIDS Epidemic

THE LAVENDER EFFECT® exhibit honors the warriors of the past and present, as well as showcases the power of community. Celebrating the leadership, strength, and endurance of the people and City of West Hollywood.

Audio narration by George Takei. Open until May 2025.

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New Member Events Calendar

Visit the new Member Events Calendar for full details on upcoming events and programs. [VIEW HERE](#)

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[Arts and Culture - WorldPride Washington, DC 2025](#)

PREPARING FOR 2025

For transgender people and their supporters, being prepared is essential. Here are practical steps the community should consider in the coming weeks to safeguard themselves against these anticipated challenges.

[7 steps for transgender people to prepare for Donald Trump](#)

2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games | City of West Hollywood

The City of West Hollywood is beginning preparations for the Olympic Games scheduled for July 14-30, 2028, and Paralympic Games scheduled for August 15-27, 2028.

Please visit this website for ongoing updates and information related to the City of West Hollywood's preparations for the Games.

ART PROJECT FOR THE 2028 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES
[DETAILS HERE](#)

ARTIST CALL & GRANTS

GRANTS
The **California Arts Council** (CAC) maintains a database dedicated to opportunities for artists, from local to global, including gallery calls.

[DETAILS](#)

OPPORTUNITIES
In addition to its own grant program offerings, the **California Arts Council** (CAC) keeps a database dedicated to arts and culture funding opportunities available from the field at large.

[DETAILS](#)

The **Los Angeles Department of Arts and Culture** offers a variety of opportunities, including funding and professional development, designed to support the work of arts organizations, artists and arts educators who provide quality arts programming, activities and experiences to LA County residents, neighborhoods and communities.

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AVAILABLE CALLS
The **Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs** provides information on grants and opportunities.

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FUNDING
The **Los Angeles Arts & Culture** provides information on funding opportunities.

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YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES
Play at Work (PAW) program is a free after-school vocational training program that teaches stagecraft to Los Angeles public high school teens and young adults. The PAW program is open to Los Angeles high school teens and young adults 16-23.

[DETAILS](#)

MEMBER NEWS SUBMISSIONS

Do you have news, events or programs to share with members?

[Submit News & Events Here](#)

ABOUT THE ALLIANCE

The mission of The California LGBT Arts Alliance is to promote artistic and financial partnerships that strengthen and deepen the cooperative relationship among California's LGBT non-profit arts organizations and individual artists.

The California LGBT Arts Alliance is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization.

Your donations help pay for web hosting, our monthly newsletter, monthly arts calendar and the artists that we present. *Thank You!*

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THANK YOU!

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