



Palm Springs Art Museum Receives \$25,000 Grant from Bank of America



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PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (August 21, 2015) – Palm Springs Art Museum announced today it is the recipient of a \$25,000 grant from Bank of America as part of the Charitable Foundation Awards. Bank of America awarded grants to 18 nonprofits that provide community development opportunities and affordable housing across the Inland Empire, with a total of \$242,500 being awarded.

Palm Springs Art Museum received the grant based on its exceptional role in connecting diverse communities to arts and cultural programs through a variety of important exhibitions, innovative educational programming, and interactive engagement with community days and activities. The museum connects low-income households to the arts through a variety of measures, including free admission to the Palm Desert location all year and every day, free Second Sundays at the main museum, and free admission Thursday's from 4 to 8 p.m. at the main museum and the Architecture and Design Center, Edwards Harris Pavilion. In addition, beginning in October, admission will be free to the Architecture and Design Center as well.

“We are thrilled to be recognized by Bank of America for our continued involvement with the community with this generous grant,” said Elizabeth Armstrong, The JoAnn McGrath Executive Director for Palm Springs Art Museum. “The funds will be instrumental in bringing additional programming to the community, further enhancing the art experience and making art and culture available to everyone.”

Funds from the grant will be used for advancements and improvements in the overall museum experience, additional education initiatives, and further outreach to the museum’s audiences, while providing access to diverse arts and cultural experiences.

For additional information about Palm Springs Art Museum visit www.psmuseum.org or call (760) 322-4800. The museum is located at 100 Museum Drive in downtown Palm Springs.

About Palm Springs Art Museum

Palm Springs Art Museum is the largest cultural institution in the Coachella Valley and includes three locations in Palm Springs and Palm Desert. The flagship building is located in downtown Palm Springs and features compelling art exhibitions, a vast permanent collection, and the 433-seat Annenberg Theater, all in a 150,000 square foot, architecturally-significant building. Palm Springs Art Museum Architecture and Design Center, Edwards Harris Pavilion features exhibitions and programming that explore the rich topics of architecture and design. Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert is an 8,400 square foot, Silver LEED-certified building named The Galen that presents rotating exhibitions and special collections. It is surrounded by the four-acre Faye Sarkowsky Sculpture Garden featuring important sculpture works. Admission to the Palm Desert location is now free to the public, generously underwritten by Helene V. Galen. For more information, call 760-322-4800, visit www.psmuseum.org, and follow the museum on Facebook, Twitter and InstaGram.

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