Director’s Message

This summer, the Hammer presents the third iteration of our biennial exhibition. Made in L.A. 2016: a, the, though, only, thanks for Leslie McMorrow, and lends, thanks to Kourosh Larizadeh and, thanks to David Hoberman; SUMMER 2016. And as usual, a rich slate. And as usual, a rich slate. We are also grateful for the continued support of Marl and Pamela Mohn, allowing us to present three awards to biennial artists: the Mohn Award, the Career Achievement Award, and the Public Recognition Award. And as usual, a rich slate of public programs, performances, dance, music, and conversations will accompany the biennial.

Following our summer presentation of Made in L.A. 2016, we’ll continue our ongoing efforts to improve the design and experience of our space. This September, we will close the third-floor galleries for four months of renovation. Designed by the renowned architect and longtime Hammer partner Michael Maltzan, the modernized and improved galleries will reopen just in time for our winter exhibitions. Over the course of the fall, the museum’s courtyard and lobby galleries, as well as other public spaces, will remain open and active with new programming and exhibitions.

SAVE THE DATE
GALA IN THE GARDEN
HONORING LAURIE ANDERSON & TODD HAYNES
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2016
THIS EVENING IS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF BOTTEGA VENETA

Recent Acquisitions

In honor of the Hammer’s 25th anniversary, the museum has received a number of major gifts. Most notably, Daniel Greenberg and Susan Steinhauser recently gave more than 75 works by the celebrated Japanese photographer Daidō Moriyama to the Hammer Contemporary Collection. Bridging postwar Japanese art and contemporary photography, Moriyama is perhaps best known for his gritty black-and-white images of Tokyo’s urban life. This tremendous gift provides an in-depth look at the diverse practices of a central figure in modern and contemporary photography whose career spans five decades. In addition, the Grinstein Family has generously given Aï’s Café (1969). In this seminal project, functioning at once as sculpture, environment, and performance, the artist Allen Ruppersberg operated a diner out of a Los Angeles storefront. As artist, chef, and host, Ruppersberg plated a “menu” of assemblage sculptures for artist friends and occasional walk-ins. With ties to West Coast happenings, conceptual art, and assemblage, Aï’s Café uniquely speaks to a important moment in the history of Los Angeles’s artistic production. The museum is also tremendously grateful to Bob and Linda Gersh for their promised gift of John Baldessari’s Lighthouse (1988). Employing the conceptual artist’s distinctive visual language, this photo-collage juxtaposes familiar yet fragmented images, many of which recall Hollywood film stills. Emblematic of the Los Angeles artist’s pioneering work, Lighthouse lends context to the multitude of artists in the Hammer Contemporary Collection whom Baldessari has taught and influenced.

In addition to these major gifts, the museum received important donations of works by artists such as Tomma Abts, thanks to Barry and Julie Smooke, The BJ’s Family Trust; Larry Clark, Liz Craft, Keith Edmier, Roni Horn, and Lisa Lapinski, thanks to Marianne Boesky; Sam Durant, thanks to Niels Kantor; Olafur Eliasson and Jack Pierson, thanks to Michael Rube and Kristen Ray; Llyn Foulkes, thanks to Cecilia Dar; Richard Hawkins, thanks to Kourosh Larizadeh and Luis Pardo; Lynn Hershman Leeson, Mary Weatherford, and James Welling, thanks to Susan and Larry Marx; Douglas Huebler, Sol LeWitt, and Allen Ruppersberg, thanks to Marc Selwyn; Ruby Neri, thanks to David Hoberman; Carolee Schneemann, thanks to Eileen Harris Norton; James Turrell, thanks to Beth Rudin DeWoody; and Fred Wilson, thanks to Mrs. Joan and Dr. Stuart Levin.

We are extremely grateful to the donors of these and other important gifts of art, which add breadth and depth to the Hammer’s growing collections.
Made in L.A. 2016: a, the, though, only
June 12–August 28, 2016

Made in L.A. 2016: a, the, though, only is the third iteration of the Hammer’s biennial exhibition highlighting the practices of artists working throughout the greater Los Angeles area.

As part of an ongoing series, this year’s exhibition addresses Los Angeles as a center of activity inseparable from the global network of art production and reveals how artists move fluidly between contexts and respond to local conditions.

Subtitled by the minimalist poet and writer Aram Saroyan as his contribution to the exhibition, Made in L.A. 2016: a, the, though, only extends into such disciplines as dance, fashion, literature, music, film, and performance as well as visual art.

Rather than focusing on a unifying regional aesthetic, sensibility, or identity, Made in L.A. 2016 is shaped by the individual projects and bodies of work that make up the exhibition. It features condensed monographic surveys, comprehensive displays of multiyear projects, the premiere of new bodies of work, and newly commissioned works by emerging artists.

Kelly Akashi
Huguette Caland
Eckhaus Latta
Rafa Esparza
Lauren Davis Fisher
Todd Gray
Joel Holmberg
Margaret Honda
Arthur Jafa
Labor Link TV
Laida Lertxundi
Adam Linder
Guthrie Lonergan
Rebecca Morris
Shahryar Nashat
Silke Otto-Knapp
Gala Porras-Kim
Sterling Ruby
Adam Linder, Kein Paradiso
Jennie Mary Tai Liu, and Stephen Thompson.
Situated within a visually abstract scenario, the performers try to find their way back to distinctions of representation and away from the universalism inherited from the lineages of modern and postmodern dance.

Wells Fargo

Made in L.A. 2016 Performances

Adam Linder, Kein Paradiso
SUN, JUN 12, 2:30PM
WED, JUN 15, 6:30PM
SUN, JUN 19, 2:30PM
WED, JUN 22, 6:30PM

Kein Paradiso is a choreography for three performers: Adam Linder, Jennie Mary Tai Liu, and Stephen Thompson.

Wadada Leo Smith & John Lindberg in Concert
THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 7:30PM

The scores of Made in L.A. 2016 artist Wadada Leo Smith are composed in the musical language of Ankrasmation, figuring as both aesthetic objects and musical roadmaps that encourage their performers to think deeply about improvisation as a resistance to classical notation. Bassist John Lindberg, a frequent collaborator who has been described as an unheralded master of modern jazz, joins Smith for a performance of Smith’s spontaneous existential compositions.

Words & Cello
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 7:30PM

Two multidisciplinary artists come together for one night of poetry and music. The poet, novelist, and playwright Aram Saroyan has been widely regarded for his minimalist poetry, and immunobiologist and cellist Georgia Lill moves from the laboratory to the recording studio with ease.

Saroyan, the author of Made in L.A. 2016’s subtitle—a, the, though, only—reads a selection of his poems and longer poetic anthems, accompanied by Lill’s musical improvisations.

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Organized by Hammer curator Aram Moshayedi and Hamza Walker, director of education and associate curator, Renaissance Society at the University of Chicago, with January Parkos Arnall, curatorial assistant, Public Engagement; and MacKenzie Stevens, curatorial assistant.

This exhibition is presented by Wells Fargo.

The exhibition is made possible, in part, by the Mohn Family Foundation and members of the Hammer Circle. Major support is provided by Nick Grouf and Shana Eddy-Grouf. Generous funding is also provided by Viveca Paulin-Ferrell and Will Ferrell, Dori and Charles Mostov, Beth Rudin DeWoody and The May and Samuel Rudin Family Foundation, and The Fran and Ray Stark Foundation. Additional underwriting by the Pasadena Art Alliance and Mark Sandelson.

Media sponsorship is provided by KCRW 89.9 FM, KCET, and Los Angeles magazine.
Perfomances (continued)

Rafa Esparza
más gestos y más caras
FRIDAY, JULY 8, 11AM–8PM
Conceived and performed as part of Rafa Esparza’s installation for Made in L.A. 2016, más gestos y más caras is a durational work that narrates the conditions of invisibility through the processes of masking and molding. Dependent on the use of plaster bandages to obstruct Esparza’s breathing throughout the day, this work culminates in a series of readings by invited guests on the topics of brown and queer presence.

OFF-SITE (LOCATION TBD)
Rafa Esparza
RED SUMMER, freedom is an endless meeting, and I don’t miss your heat, but here we are again.
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 6AM–8PM
Rafa Esparza’s RED SUMMER, freedom is an endless meeting, and I don’t miss your heat, but here we are again, is a meditation on the year 2015—the bloodiest in the recorded history of police killings in the United States. In a work that takes the form of a durational poem, elapsing over the course of a day from sunrise to sunset, Esparza will enact the ritualistic practices of digging as a way of highlighting the prevailing effects of a local and national militarized police force.

MADE IN L.A. 2016
Conversations

Arthur Jafa & Greg Tate
TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 7:30PM
(see p. 12)

Excavating The Ten Commandments
Daniel R. Small & Jack Green
THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 7:30PM
Daniel R. Small’s contribution to Made in L.A. 2016 centers on the archaeological excavation of the site where Cecil B. DeMille filmed The Ten Commandments (1923) and the ways that this and other filmic imagery have colored notions of ancient Egypt in the popular imagination. Small and Jack Green, deputy director of the Corning Museum of Glass, will discuss the artist’s foray into amateur archaeology and excavation in its myriad forms.

Todd Gray & Hamza Walker
WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 7:30PM
For one year, the artist Todd Gray wore the clothes of his friend and mentor the late Ray Manzarek, a founding member of the Doors. An act that went beyond artistic homage or memorial impulse, Gray’s gesture is being restaged for Made in L.A. 2016. In this program, Gray’s readings from letters he wrote to Manzarek’s widow about his desire to bring Ray “into the orbital sphere of the art world” will be followed by a discussion with Hamza Walker, cocurator of Made in L.A. 2016 and associate curator at the Renaissance Society.

Kenneth Tam & Bruce Hainley
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 7:30PM
Kenneth Tam’s recent videos are the outgrowth of encounters between strangers, developed with participants the artist has met through online social forums. In these scenarios, barriers of intimacy become unhinged and vulnerabilities are shared through various activities that are performed in the presence of a camera, which acts as a conduit between an anonymous interior space and the outside world. Tam will be in conversation with the writer Bruce Hainley, alongside a screening of specially selected videos.

The Streisand Effect
THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 7:30PM
What happens when artist lose control of the narrative of their work, when ideas are misappropriated and instrumentalized by others with differing agendas? A panel including Made in L.A. 2016 artist Dena Yago, her frequent collaborator Sean Monahan, and Rachel Berks of Otherwild Goods and Services addresses the implications of these questions amid the ever-expanding role and function of today’s creative industries and the blurring of lines between art and commerce.
MATEwan
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 7:30PM

The 1920 Battle of Matewan was a pivotal moment in the history of labor organizing and union busting. Shot in gritty tones by the late Haskell Wexler, John Sayles’s award-winning film brings the power struggle between miners, the coal company, and town officials into stark relief. The film will be followed by a discussion and Q&A with Made in L.A. 2016 artist Fred Lonidier, the guiding force behind Labor Link TV, a union activist collective that focuses on local labor movements. (1:08; dir. John Sayles, 1:42 min.)

MAquilapoliS
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 7:30PM

Vicky Funari and Sergio De La Torre’s searing documentary focuses on the abominable working conditions of maquiladoras in Tijuana, a subject close to the heart of the artist and activist Sergio De La Torre. Lonidier, through his own practice and that of the collective Labor Link TV, has explored the ways in which photography can inspire and sustain political activism, turning the collective’s attention recently to the cross-border labor struggles located throughout the United States and Mexico. The film will be followed by a screening of Labor Link TV Program #66B. Han Young Workers Vote and a discussion with the artist. (Maquilapolis, 2005; dir. Vicky Funari and Sergio De La Torre, 70min; Labor Link TV Program #66B, 1997, 9:30 min.)

Spectrum Reverse Spectrum
Color Correction
Two Films by Margaret Honda
SUN, JUN 12, 9:30PM, WED, JUL 6, 7:30PM, SUN, AUG 7, 2PM

Copresented with Los Angeles Filmforum
Spectrum Reverse Spectrum is a cameramanless film, made by exposing 70mm print stock to colored light in a film printer. The result is a uniform field of color on screen that moves gradually through the light spectrum, from violet to red and back to violet. Color Correction was made using only the color correction timing tapes for an unknown Hollywood feature without the corresponding negative. The result is a film without images or sound that consists of a succession of different colors of unpredictable duration. The duration of each color corresponds to the length of a shot, but the story that determined those shots has disappeared. (2014, 70mm, aspect ratio 2.39:1, color: silent, 21 min; 2015, 35mm, aspect ratio 1.85:1, color: silent, 52 min; dir. Margaret Honda.)

Rules with Jesse Lerner & Gala Porras-Kim
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 7:30PM

Copresented with Los Angeles Filmforum
Jesse Lerner’s Rules mixes real and fabricated archival footage to document the restoration of artifacts and monuments from Mexico’s precolonial era. Interrogating the problematic and often Eurocentric nature of historical conservation, Rules resonates with themes explored in the work of Made in L.A. 2016 artist Gala Porras-Kim. After the screening, Lerner and Porras-Kim will discuss how the value of particular objects shapes the interpretation of culture. (1999; dir. Jesse Lerner, 16mm, black and white, 78 min.)

Mohn Award
Jury award honoring artistic excellence
The $100,000 Mohn Award will be granted over two years to one of the participating artists and includes the publication of a monograph. A professional jury of three curators selects the artist whose presentation of work in Made in L.A. 2016 stands out as exceptional.

Career Achievement Award
Jury award honoring brilliance and resilience
This $25,000 award is given to an artist participating in the exhibition who has made a significant contribution to contemporary art over the course of the artist’s career.

Public Recognition Award
Awarded by public vote
Visitors to Made in L.A. 2016 choose the recipient of the $25,000 Public Recognition Award by voting for their favorite artist featured in the exhibition. Visitors vote on-site at kiosks located throughout the museum.

The Hammer Museum presents three awards in conjunction with Made in L.A.: the Mohn Award, the Career Achievement Award, and the Public Recognition Award. These awards are funded through the generosity of the Los Angeles philanthropists and art collectors Jarl and Pamela Mohn and the Mohn Family Foundation. All the artists whose work is featured in the exhibition are eligible to receive the awards.

MULTILINGÜELANDIA: ANTENA/ ANTENA LOS ÁNGELES @ HAMMER
Housing Justice + Language Justice: A Bilingual Exchange
SATURDAY, MAY 14, 1–4PM

Public Engagement artists-in-residence Antena and Antena Los Ángeles invite Hammer visitors to share snacks, ideas, and conversation in a bilingual space, with a focus on housing rights and neighborhood organizing. Copresented with the Los Angeles Tenants Union and South El Monte Arts Posse.

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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT
A Shape That Stands Up
March 19–June 18, 2016
A Shape That Stands Up examines the gray space between figuration and abstraction in recent painting and sculpture. The 15 artists represented in this cross-generational show treat the figure as material and the history of representation as one long, open-ended question with many possible answers. Influenced in part by the controversial 1978 exhibition Bad Painting (organized by Marcia Tucker for the New Museum in New York), the exhibition considers what our own subjectivities may bring to the discussion and practice of abstraction and what motivates artists to decenter the figure’s dominance in the visual field. Participants include Math Bass, Kevin Beasley, Sadie Benning, Robert Colescott, Carroll Dunham, Jamian Juliano-Villani, Jason Meadows, D’Metrius John Rice, Tschabalala Self, Amy Sillman, Henry Taylor, Torey Thornton, Sue Williams, Ulrich Wulff, and Brenna Youngblood.

Alex Da Corte
July 9–September 17, 2016
The Philadelphia-based interdisciplinary artist Alex Da Corte (b. 1980, Camden, NJ) is known for his pop-informed sensibility and embrace of theatricality. In his elaborate, surreal set pieces, banal objects and consumer goods serve as both actors and props. Da Corte’s videos, sculptures, paintings, and installations ruminate on personal and cultural politics, alienation, and the complexities of the human experience. An active scavenger of high and low culture, his material explorations have included using dollar-store soda and shampoo as paint; “curating” the works of other artists into hybrid objects; and creating immersive environments that consider and modify the entirety of a space, from lighting fixtures to flooring. For his first solo exhibition in Los Angeles, Da Corte will present a survey of recent videos within a site-specific installation at Art + Practice.

LUNCHTIME ART TALKS
The Hammer’s curatorial staff lead 15-minute discussions on a work of art. Wednesdays at 12:30PM *Speaker

May 4
Sara VanDerBeek
Sonya Flores, 2011
* Emily Gonzalez-Jarrett
May 11
Robert Rauschenberg
Diálogos for Minuitou, 1954/1976
* Anne Ellegood
May 18
Utagawa Hiroshige
35 Stations of the Tokaido, 1833–34
* Cynthia Burlingham
May 25
Ilene Segalove
Today’s Program: Jackson Pollock, Lavender Mist,* 1973
* Ali Subotnick
June 1
George Platt Lynes
Yul Brynner, ca. 1942
* Leslie Cozzi
June 8
Hendrick Goltzius and Jacob Matham
The Marriage at Cana, ca. 1601
* Kirk Nickel

June 15
Gala Porras-Kim
Work from Mode in L.A. 2016
* January Parkos Arnall
June 22
Ernst Ludwig Kirchner
Preparatory studies for George Heym’s *Shadows of Life,* ca. 1921-24
* Lesli Cozzi
June 29
Sterling Ruby
Tables #1-5 and 8-10, 2015
* Connie Butler
July 6
Huguette Caland
Enlève ton doigt, 1971
* Aram Moshayedi
July 13
Mark Verabioff
Beware of Fascist Broism, 2016
* January Parkos Arnall
July 20
Rebecca Morris
Work from Mode in L.A. 2016
* Jamillah James

May 11
Alex Da Corte
Alex Da Corte, A NIGHT IN HELL, INSTALLATION VIEW, CARL KOSTYÁL, STOCKHOLM, 2014.
COURTESY OF THE ARTIST AND CARL KOSTYÁL, STOCKHOLM.
Hammer Conversations

Lawrence Weschler & Ramiro Gomez
THURSDAY, MAY 5, 7:30PM
The writer Lawrence Weschler first encountered the work of the painter Ramiro Gomez at an art fair, where he noted Gomez’s insightful riffing on the work of David Hockney. Gomez calls attention to Southern California’s invisible domestic workers by inserting them into recast familiar scenes by other artists or ads from luxe magazines. Weschler and Gomez will discuss their new book, Domestic Scenes: The Art of Ramiro Gomez.

Dave Hickey & Julia Friedman
WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 7:30PM
In 2014 the art critic Dave Hickey posted nearly 3,000 comments on social media, prompting some 700,000 responses. Hickey’s provocative digital discourse is compiled in two recent books: Wasted Words: The Essential Dave Hickey Online Compilation, an unedited transcript of these exchanges, and Dustbunnies, an assemblage of Hickey’s digital aphorisms. Julia Friedman, the art historian who edited both volumes, joins Hickey to discuss the impact of digital technology on culture.

Arthur Jafa & Greg Tate
TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 7:30PM
From 1990 to 2007 the filmmaker Arthur Jafa filled nearly 200 three-ring binders with images from various sources that reflect aspects of black culture. These “picture books,” on display in Made in L.A. 2016, form unexpected and lyrical juxtapositions that represent Jafa’s interest in black aesthetics and his experiments with context, belonging, and alienation. Jafa will discuss representation and black cultural production with the writer and musician Greg Tate. In conjunction with Made in L.A. 2016.

Talks

An Evening with Ryan Murphy
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 7:30PM
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Douglas Rushkoff: The Peril and Promise of the Digital Economy
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Hammer Forum
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Justice in the Balance
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 7:30PM
Amid gridlock over a replacement for Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, we examine recent decisions from an evenly divided court with

Los Angeles Poverty Department 30 Years of Art and Urban Advocacy
Founded in 1985 on Los Angeles’s Skid Row by the performance artist, director, and activist John Malpede, Los Angeles Poverty Department is made up principally of homeless or formerly homeless people and has been an uncompromising force in performance and activism for almost 30 years. LAPD makes artistic work to change the narrative about people living in poverty, aiming to create a community of compassion and inspire the next generation of artists.

Believing change is about exchange, LAPD blurs categories and confounds expectations, bringing together arts organizations, social services, activists, and homeless people to speak out on issues such as housing, mental illness, the war on drugs, and mass incarceration.
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Hammer Presents
Chasing Monsters from under the Bed
TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 7:30PM
Collaboratively created, written, and performed by Los Angeles Poverty Department cast members and directed by Henriette Brouwers and John Malpede, Chasing Monsters explores the process of recovery from mental illness and homelessness at a time when thousands of homeless, mentally ill people are abandoned, feared, and threatened by aggressive policing.

Hammer Forum
Police and People with Mental Illness: Avoiding Tragedy, Achieving Solutions
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 7:30PM
Most American police officers are not trained as social workers, so when they encounter perpetrators and victims with mental illness, the consequences can be tragic. We examine mental health, crime, and law enforcement with a panel of experts: Linda Boyd, creator of the collaborative SMART team, which pairs law enforcement officers with mental health clinicians; Mollie Lowery, supportive housing pioneer and founder of the Lamp Community; and Detective Paul Scire, officer in charge, Mental Evaluation Unit, Case Assessment Management Program of the Los Angeles Police Department. Moderated by Jorja Leap, executive director of the UCLA Health and Social Justice Partnership.

BLOOMSDAY
THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 7:30PM

7:30PM – Reading (Billy Wilder Theater)
9PM – Music and Guinness (courtyard)

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Populism Past and Present
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 7:30PM
With Georgetown University historian Michael Kazin and Michael Lind, author of Land of Promise: An Economic History of the United States. (See p. 16 for details)

Predicting the Unpredictable: The 2016 Elections
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 7:30PM
With UCLA political science professor Lynn Vavreck and American University political historian Allan Lichtman. Since 1984. (See p. 16 for details)

CHASING MONSTERS FROM UNDER THE BED PERFORMANCE.
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SUMMER 2016 PROGRAMS

WALK-THROUGHS
SUNDAY, MAY 1, 1PM
Leap Before You Look
with curatorial assistant
MacKenzie Stevens

JUNE 12 SUN NOON & 1PM
Made in L.A. 2016
with exhibition curators Aram
Moshayedi and Hamza Walker
and curatorial assistants
January Parkos Arnall and
MacKenzie Stevens

EXHIBITION TOURS
SATURDAYS, 1PM
Hammer student educators
lead 45-minute tours of selected
works in exhibitions.

GROUP TOURS
The Hammer offers private
tours for groups and a variety
of options for classes K–12.
Guided and self-guided groups
of 10 or more require a reser-
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visit hammer.ucla.edu.

MINDFUL AWARENESS
THURSDAYS, 12:30–1PM
These drop-in sessions take
place in the Billy Wilder Theater
and are led by instructors from the
UCLA Mindful Awareness
Research Center (marc.ucla.edu).

TICKETING
Free tickets are required for
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   AIX Scent Fair: Scent Lab

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8 SUN 3–5PM HAMMER PRESENTS | AIX SCENT FAIR
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   Law and Order: Special Victims Unit

12 SUN 11AM HAMMER KIDS | FAMILY FICS
   The Great Race

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JUNE

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   Made in L.A. Performances

2 THU 7:30PM HAMMER READINGS | POETRY
   UCLA Award-Winning Student Poets

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   GRAPHITE Issue VII Party

5 SUN 11AM HAMMER KIDS | 826LA@HAMMER
   Show, Don’t Tell

7 TUE 7:30PM HAMMER PRESENTS
   Chasing Monsters from under the Bed

8 WED 7:30PM HAMMER FORUM
   Police and People with Mental Illness

9 THU 7:30PM HAMMER SCREENINGS
   Bulworth

5 SUN 11AM HAMMER KIDS | FAMILY FICS
   Labyrinth

12 SUN 2:30PM MADE IN L.A. PERFORMANCES
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   Two Films by Margaret Honda

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   Medium Cool
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Predicting the Unpredictable: The 2016 Elections
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 7:30PM
As we approach the home stretch of the 2016 elections, two experts join us to assess the likely outcome of November’s vote: UCLA political science professor Lynn Vavreck—an expert on campaigns, elections, and political advertising—and American University political historian Allan Lichtman, who has correctly predicted every presidential winner since 1984.

Hammer Forum

Hammer Forum Populism Past and Present
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 7:30PM

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Idiocracy
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 7:30PM
Ten years after its release, Mike Judge’s sci-fi comedy adventure has achieved cult status. After 500 years of accidental hibernation, two “average Americans” wake up to a world so dumbed down by commercialism that they are the smartest humans alive. Described by the Los Angeles Times as a “bleakly hilarious vision of an American future,” the film is a chilling reminder of what’s at stake in this year’s election. (2006, dir. Mike Judge, 84 min.)

Bulworth
THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 7:30PM
When disillusioned, suicidal incumbent senator Jay Bulworth takes out a hit on himself, he drops the political platitudes and starts telling the American people what he really thinks on the campaign trail. Written and directed by and starring Warren Beatty, Bulworth embraces a hedonistic, no-holds-barred approach to politics that is both funny and insightful, a “cry of frustrated comic rage” (Roger Ebert) fitting for our current political moment. (1998, dir. Warren Beatty, 102 min.)

Chisholm ’72: Unbought & Unbossed
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 7:30PM
This compelling documentary examines the 1972 presidential campaign of Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman elected to Congress and the first to seek a presidential nomination. Following Chisholm from her candidacy announcement through her historic speech in Miami at the Democratic National Convention, this film about a champion of marginalized Americans illuminates Chisholm’s ground-breaking initiative as well as political and social currents still very much alive today. (2004, dir. Shola Lynch, 77 min.)

Medium Cool
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 7:30PM
In the late Haskell Wexler’s directorial debut, we are plunged into the tumultuous world of 1968 America with fictional events filmed amid real social upheaval. The story of a television cameraman and his romantic life is combined with actual documentary footage, including riots during the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. Shot in Wexler’s compelling style, the film is a must-see for Wexler enthusiasts, political aficionados, and counterculture fans alike. (1969, dir. Haskell Wexler, 111 min.)

Swing Vote
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 7:30PM
What if the entire presidential election came down to a single vote? In an alternative 2008, Bud Johnson (Kevin Costner), who has never given politics a single thought, finds himself in the position of determining the next president of the United States because of a faulty ballot box. Entangled in a complex web of media and political maneuvering, Bud decides to focus on the issues at stake for average Americans rather than play partisan politics. (2008, dir. Joshua Michael Stern, 120 min.)

Recount
TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 7:30PM
Re-creating the infamous 2000 presidential election and Florida recount, this award-winning film traces the strange, troubling, and near-slapstick series of events that made “hanging chad” part of our vocabulary. Featuring ballots, delegates, and political players locked in a 36-day stalemate that dominated news cycles, the film is an astute criticism of the machinations behind American electoral politics. (2008, dir. Jay Roach, 116 min.)

Screenings
WIFE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 7:30PM
WIFE (Jasmine Albuquerque, Kristen Leahy, and Nina McNeely) employs projected body-mapping animations, sculpture, original music and costumes, movement, and dance as vehicles for storytelling. She harnesses technology (magic) to illuminate enduring mystical phenomena and ancient archetypes. WIFE is a magician of picture and light, reflecting rescued dreams and the subtleties of human behavior. Cash bar.

Flux
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 7:30PM
This carefully curated series presents beautiful, technically virtuosic short films, music videos, filmmaker retrospectives, and outstanding visual work from around the globe. Copresented with Flux (flux.net).

Hammer Presents

Hammer Poetry
THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 7:00PM
This annual reading welcomes into the world the unique voices of up-and-coming writers who have won awards for competitions sponsored by the UCLA Department of English or by a statewide consortium of universities. Organized and hosted by the poet, literary critic, and UCLA professor Stephen Yenser. Copresented with and supported in part by the UCLA Department of English and Friends of English.

Jazz POP
Three Thursdays in August
The Hammer’s “reliably excellent” (Los Angeles Times) annual summer festival of creative jazz and improvised music celebrates its 11th year with three concerts featuring the most adventurous, inspired, and masterful music happening on the West Coast. Curated by Lisa Mezzacappa.

Cathlene Pineda Quartet
THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 8PM
In her extended work Passing: A California Suite, pianist and composer Cathlene Pineda pays tribute to Los Angeles with music that is “airy, elegant and haunting” (Los Angeles Times). The quartet navigates the music’s emotionally rich and rhythmically dynamic landscape in a series of compositions inspired by the works of Los Angeles’s first poet laureate, Eloise Klein-Hatty.

Michael Vlatkovich Septet
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 8PM
Trombonist Michael Vlatkovich’s septet features many of Southern California’s most versatile improvisers. The band shape-shifts effortlessly through hard-swinging romps, brass band fantasies, and collective improvisation epiphanies.

Sheldon Brown Ensemble
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 8PM
From the vast musical mind of Bay Area saxophonist and composer Sheldon Brown comes an expansive project connecting the voices of poets to jazz improvisation. Brown’s superlative ensemble performs his thrilling, layered, asymmetrical compositions, built from the rhythms and speech melodies of beat and surrealist poets reading from their work.

MUSIC MADE IN L.A.
Every Thursday in July
Thursday, July 7, 14, 21, 28
Happy hour 6:30 p.m.
Music 7:30–10:30 p.m.
Celebrate the Hammer’s biennial Made in L.A. exhibition with four free nights of live concerts by Los Angeles musicians and KCRW DJs in the museum’s courtyard. Galleries will be open until 9 p.m. Food and cash bar.

Full lineup:
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Copresented with KCRW 89.9FM
Sponsored by IKEA Burbank.
FRIDAY, MAY 6–SUNDAY, MAY 8
An international selection of fragrance makers will upend your preconceptions of perfume at this three-day artisan, independent, experimental scent fair. Sample highly conceptual—even unexpected—scents, attend hands-on workshops or a panel, and celebrate at the Third Annual Art and Olfaction Awards with special guest emcee Zackary Drucker.

Copresented with the Institute for Art and Olfaction and Luckyscent/Scent Bar. Full schedule and details at hammer.ucla.edu/aix-scent-fair.

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FRIDAY, MAY 6, 7:30PM
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International fragrance makers showcase and sell their wares.

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SUNDAY, MAY 8, 3–5PM
Meet Studio Cue founder and Japanese holistic qi therapist Keiko Mateuo at the Hammer Store, which carries her GOLDA line.

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AIX SCENT FAIR PERRY ELLIS. COURTESY PERRY ELLIS.

Third Annual Art and Olfaction Awards with Emcee Zackary Drucker
SATURDAY, MAY 7, COCKTAIL HOUR 6:30PM
CEREMONY 7:30PM

HAMMER KIDS Scent Lab
SUNDAY, MAY 8, 11AM–1PM
Activate your senses on Mother’s Day in this drop-in workshop with perfume maker Persephenie Lea. Children ages 5 and up and their grown-ups will experiment with combinations of aromas and walk away with their own unique scents.


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Buddhist Art on China’s Silk Road

HAMMER TALKS

Body of the Buddha: Art of the Dunhuang Temples with D. Neil Schmid
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 7:30PM

The Dunhuang Temples, located in the Gobi Desert of northwest China, were witness to nearly 10 centuries of exquisite art. They also tell the story of Buddhism’s complex integration into Chinese history. The historian D. Neil Schmid will provide a behind-the-scenes look at the powerful monks, skilled artisans, and religious pilgrims who transformed the Buddha into a specifically Chinese icon.

In conjunction with the Getty Center exhibition Cave Temples of Dunhuang: Buddhist Art on China’s Silk Road. Copresented with the UCLA Confucius Institute.

HAMMER CONVERSATIONS & PERFORMANCES

Performing the Silk Road with Chuen-Fung Wong
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 7:30PM

The Silk Road, the ancient network of trade routes stretching from China to the Mediterranean, generated some of the most important artistic, cultural, and religious developments in world history. In this program, the musician and professor Chuen-Fung Wong brings the Silk Road to life via a performance of traditional Chinese chamber music and poetry, emphasizing the trade route and its representations as major inspirations for musical creativity and sonic possibility.

HAMMER SCREENINGS

The Cave of the Silken Web (Pan Si Dong)
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 7:30PM

RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 7+

Groove to a rare cinematic treasure with Dublab’s Arshia Haq. DJ Haq will live-mix to the once lost, newly preserved The Cave of the Silken Web. The 1927 silent film is the first film adaptation of that enduring classic of Chinese literature, Journey to the West, complete with demons, evil spirits, and flesh-eating spider women. (1927, dir. Dan Duyu, b&w with tinted scenes, 60 min.)

The Cave of the Yellow Dog
SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 11AM

RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 7+

In the Mongolian grasslands, a plucky young girl finds a small dog in a cave and befriends it despite her father’s objections. The Cave of the Yellow Dog’s gentle hymn to nomadic life in the steppes depicts a tale of canine companionship resonant with Buddhist tradition, as well as a familiar parental dilemma. (2005, dir. Byambasuren Davaa, color, in Mongolian with English subtitles, 93 min.)

Discovered: A Time Capsule from 2076
SUNDAY, MAY 1, 11AM

RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 8–13

A glitch in time travel has resulted in a time capsule buried 60 years in the future being unearthed today. We’ll use what’s inside to determine what life is like in 2076. Led by nonfiction author Kim Adelman.

Show, Don’t Tell
SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 11AM

RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 7–11

Explore how images and words combine to tell a complete story. Create and illustrate characters in adventurous situations. Wilson Swain navigates the world with pencils and illustration board. Ashlyn Anstee makes things, including storyboards and picture books.

#SaveOurSlogans
SUNDAY, JULY 24, 11AM

RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 9–14

Make your voice heard! In this workshop, you’ll come up with attention-grabbing solutions to the issues you care about most. Instructor Meredith Goldberg-Morse works in media, connecting TV shows with social impact.

KAPOW: Not That Kind of Punchline (a Comics Workshop)
SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 11AM

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Explore jokes, characters, and drawing through one of art’s finest mediums: the comic strip. Workshop leader Ashlyn Anstee has created storyboards for Nickelodeon and two picture books for children.
Pop-Up Studio
Families explore art and create together in lively workshops led by artists featured in Made in L.A. 2016. These drop-in programs are designed for ages 5 and up.

Building Memories Brick by Brick
SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 11AM–1PM
On Father’s Day, build memories of working together to make art. Bring the whole family to the Hammer to mix, stomp on, and mold adobe clay to create sculptural bricks and contribute to a temporary installation with the artist Rafa Esparza.

Your Sky, Our Horizon
SUNDAY, JULY 17, 11AM–1PM
Paint the sky with the artist Silke Otto-Knapp. Experiment with painting washes and create a landscape connected by a single horizon line.

What A Word Can Do
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 11AM–1PM
The poet and writer Aram Saroyan can make a tremendous poem with just one word. In this workshop, find out how to say a lot with a little, using artworks by L.A. artists as inspiration.

Look Together
Families connect with art in inventive ways and learn how to engage with art at any museum. These one-hour guided sessions are designed for ages 8 and up.

Art and Mindful Movement
SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 11AM & NOON
Learn how art can inspire relaxing movements and poses, and discover how even the very act of looking can put you at ease.

Art and Activism
SUNDAY, JULY 31, 11AM & NOON
Art can be used to make powerful statements. Think about a cause you care about and let the artwork on view serve as inspiration for your activist campaign.

Junior Designers
SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 11AM & NOON
Tap into the elements of design to create your own personal logo, letting art inspire your choice of symbols, patterns, and composition.

SCENT LAB
SUNDAY, MAY 8, 11AM–1PM
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