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**ALAMEDA COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION RELEASES CALLS FOR ARTISTS FOR
A NEW PUBLIC ART REGISTRY**

(Oakland, California) – The Alameda County Arts Commission invites artists from the 9 counties of the San Francisco Bay Area to apply for potential inclusion in the 2013 Artist Registry, a prequalified artist pool that will be used for upcoming public art opportunities associated with Alameda County capital improvement projects. The public art opportunities may include exterior and interior projects, be appropriate for artists working in a variety of materials and styles, and have a range of project budgets. Many of the opportunities will be for artists to make a new series of smaller artworks in the studio. Therefore, artists who make two-dimensional, low-relief, or wall sculptural artwork are encouraged to apply. Specific project sites include: San Lorenzo Library, East County Hall of Justice (Dublin), Highland Hospital (Oakland), and other sites to be determined. Three information meetings for artists interested in applying are scheduled: Tuesday, March 19, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. at the Dublin Library, 200 Civic Plaza, Dublin; Thursday, March 21, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Lakeside Plaza Building, 1401 Lakeside Drive, Oakland; and Monday, April 1, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at the San Lorenzo Library, 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo. Complete application information is available at www.acgov.org/arts (click on “Opportunities”) or call (510) 208-9646 to receive the information by mail. To be considered for these opportunities, artists must register and submit an application through the CaFÉ website, www.callforentry.org (search for "Alameda County" in the list of current calls).

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