

## Alameda County Leaders Celebrate the 2019 Arts Leadership Award Program and National Arts and Humanities Month of October



On Tuesday, October 1, 2019, the Members of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors presented commendations to the six Arts Leadership Award Recipients and made a proclamation in support of National Arts and Humanities Month of October. The award recipients were recognized for their outstanding achievements and contributions impacting the arts community and residents of Alameda County. Rachel Osajima, Alameda County Arts Commission Director, thanked the Board of Supervisors for their support. Osajima also thanked Melissa Wilk, Alameda County Auditor-Controller, for her leadership and support. Individuals in the event photo include the award recipients, Members of the Board of Supervisors, Melissa Wilk, appointed Arts Commissioners, and the Directors of the Alameda County Community Development Agency, General Services Agency and Public Works Agency.

Featured in the event photo (from left to right) are Nate Miley, Alameda County Supervisor; James Gayles, Arts Leadership Award Recipient; Margaret Thornberry, Arts Commissioner; Andrew Johnstone, Arts Commission Chairperson; Rob Jackson, Arts Leadership Award Recipient; Laura Elaine Ellis, Arts Leadership Award Recipient; Suzanne Gayle, Arts Leadership Award Recipient; Eric Murphy, Arts Commissioner; Rachel Osajima, Arts Commission Director; Melissa Wilk, Auditor-Controller; Richard Valle, Alameda County Supervisor; Willie Hopkins Jr., General Services Agency Director; Wilma Chan, Alameda County Supervisor; Keith Carson, Alameda County Supervisor; Kendra Barnes, Arts Leadership Award Recipient; Daniel Woldesenbet, Public Works Agency Director; Bee Chow, Arts Leadership Award Recipient; and Chris Bazar, Community Development Agency Director. Photo by Paul Kuroda.

For more information about the program or the award recipients, please contact the Alameda County Arts Commission at (510) 208-9646 or by email at [artscommission@acgov.org](mailto:artscommission@acgov.org).