

LA LGBTQ+ ARTS & CULTURE COALITION

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LOS ANGELES LGBTQ+ ARTS & CULTURE COALITION FORMS TO ADDRESS MULTIPLE CRISES FACING QUEER ARTS SECTOR

Challenges include the President's Discriminatory Executive Orders Targeting LGBTQ+ Communities, the Dismantling of Federal Arts & Humanities Agencies, and Deep Local and State Budget Cuts to Arts Funding

Registration Open for July 15 Convening at the Los Angeles LGBT Center

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOS ANGELES, CA (July 8, 2020) – A broad group of queer arts organizations and artists has launched a new Los Angeles LGBTQ+ Arts & Culture Coalition, representing a network of dozens of LGBTQ+ artists, arts workers, culture leaders, and allied nonprofit organizations across Los Angeles County.

Founded in March 2020 in response to the President's attacks on LGBTQ+ communities through discriminatory executive orders, and federal, state, and local budget cuts that have severely impacted arts organizations, One Institute, the oldest active LGBTQ+ organization in the United States, convened a group of nearly 30 LGBTQ+ and allied artists and arts nonprofits to respond to the multiple crises. In the coming months and years, the Coalition will lay the groundwork for a lasting regional alliance dedicated to the collective defense of queer and trans arts communities and nonprofits that produce LGBTQ+ arts programming, restoring critical sources of revenue, and building political power.