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A Celebration of Cultural Resistance + Community Power

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JANUARY 13-21, 2018

1726 N. SPRING ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

FEATURED ARTISTS

SAM DURANT – HANK WILLIS THOMAS – SHEPARD FAIREY – FAVIANNA RODRIGUEZ
SHERIN GUIRGUS – EMORY DOUGLAS – KEN GONZALES-DAY – ZOE BUCKMAN
GLENN KAINO – MARY IVERSON – MICHAEL MURPHY – SWOON – ANDREA BOWERS
EDGAR ARCENEUX – ERNESTO YERENA – DREAD SCOTT – FROHAWK TWO FEATHERS
PATRICK MARTINEZ – ROBBIE CONAL + OVER ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MORE.

SPEAKERS + PERFORMERS + PARTNERS

BRYAN STEVENSON – JOHN LEGEND – CARMEN PEREZ – ROSARIO DAWSON – CHUCK D – VAN JONES
HARRY BELAFONTE – CECILE RICHARDS – THE BLACK EYED PEAS – ANN PHILBIN – BLAKE MYCOSKIE
NAIMA KEITH – BAMBY SALCEDO – RITA GONZALEZ – BRENDON AVANBADEJO – PIPER PERABO
SHAMELL BELL – BOBBY HUNDREDS – ETAN THOMAS – SARAH JONES – CHRISTIAN PICCIOLINI

CALENDAR OF EVENTS + PERFORMANCES AT

WWW.INTO-ACTION.US



Large-scale art exhibition, cultural and community gathering
in Downtown Los Angeles, CA.

Saturday, January 13 -- Monday, January 21, 2018



Guillermo Bert; *You don't have the right to remain silent*, 2017, Neon 24 x 48 x 3 inches



Michele Pred, *Security Storm*, 2016; 42x36x36
Umbrella, bullets and monofilament
42x36x36 inches



Tes One, *Me Too*, 2018
Acrylic Paint on Canvas
24x36 inches

"This is precisely the time with artists go to work. There is no time for despair, no place for self-pity, no need for silence. No room for fear. We speak, we write, we do language. That is how civilizations heal."

Toni Morrison, American novelist and Pulitzer Prize recipient

Los Angeles (January 4, 2018) - **INTO ACTION!** (www.into-action.us) at **1726 N Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA.** is a celebration of community power + cultural resistance, bringing together hundreds of the nation's top visual artists, activists and influencers for creative installations, powerful panels, and music performances. The nine-day festival of unprecedented scale is running in Downtown L.A. from **Saturday, January 13 - Sunday January 21, 2018**, to shine a light on injustices and galvanize communities to turn ideas into action. **INTO ACTION!** falls on Martin Luther King Jr. Day and marks the one-year anniversary of both the presidential inauguration and the Women's March.

A 40,000-sq. ft. raw space has transformed into a gallery that will include artists such as **Andrea Bowers, Shepard Fairey, Hank Willis Thomas, Ernesto Yerena, Dread Scott, Glenn Kaino, Edgar Arceneaux, Carole Feuerman, Emory Douglas, Frohawk Two Feathers, Ken Gonzales-Day, Mary Iverson, Michael Murphy, Patrick Martinez, Robbie Conal, Sam Durant, Sherin Guirgus, Swoon, Zoe Buckman** among many others. Installations have been commissioned to deliver important messages that illustrate the overall themes and collective values of the event such as: *Justice is a Human Right, Together We Rise, No Human is Illegal and No Human Should Feel Unsafe, This Moment - In History, Manifesting Solutions, and Love, Peace, and Empathy* to engage the public and drive social commentary with powerful imagery.

Co-Curators for **INTO ACTION!** include **Hank Willis Thomas & Michelle Woo (For Freedoms)**, conceptual artists working primarily with themes related to identity, history and popular culture; **Glenn Kaino**, a conceptual artist who engineers large-scale installations and site- or situation-specific sculptural works infused with socio-political commentary, pop culture issues, and interdisciplinary references; **Yosi Sergant**, a cultural organizer with TaskForce and the former Dir. of Communications at the National Endowment for the Arts; and **Favianna Rodriguez**, known for using her art as an tool for activism -- her designs and projects range a variety of different issues including globalization, immigration, feminism, patriarchy, interdependence, and genetically modified foods.

The art gallery and daily programming are **free and open to the public**, including organizer trainings, art workshops, paneled conversations with notable celebrity and influential culture makers, and many other engaging onsite activations to attract a broad audience of participants.

"Programming and activations throughout the week will bring together artist and activists alike to build a creative community invested in justice; engage potent and talented culture creators; inspire hope into action; educate through panels, dialogues, and installations; define our shared values; and mobilize communities nationwide," says **Yosi Sergant**, Executive Producer of **INTO ACTION!**.

An **INTO ACTION!** activist incubator will also be designed to help cultivate relationships between artists and viewers. Some of the speakers scheduled over the course of the week will include **Van Jones - President of Dream Corps; Chuck D. - Rapper and Activist; Bobby Hundreds founder of streetwear brand**

The Hundreds, **Blake Mycoskie** - CEO and Founder of Tom's Shoes, **Carmen Perez** - Co-Chair of The Womens March and ED of the Gathering for Justice, and **Will.I.Am** of Black Eyed Peas.

Overall programming of the event will include voices from high-profile social justice, political, and community organizers to activate important conversations among political leaders, youth activists, artists, and performers. Highlighted participants include: **Bryan Stevenson & John Legend // Mass Incarceration + Unlocked Futures on Friday January 19, 2019 at 8pm** - a critical conversation around the crisis of mass incarceration, criminal justice reform, and support structures for returning community members who've been impacted by the justice system; and **Church of the Resistance on Monday January 15th, at 8pm** - a collaboration between Sankofa.org and the Pico Union Project brings together musicians from across Los Angeles faith based communities for a night song, poetry, and story. Creating an opportunity to rejoice and celebrate our resilience on Martin Luther Kings birthday. Additional and updated information will be available here www.into-action.us/calendar.

INTO ACTION! is a response to support, educate and empower people of color, sovereign indigenous lands, LGBTQ rights, environmental regulations, religious diversity, women's reproductive health, voting rights, criminal justice reform, access to affordable healthcare, a strong public education system, collective bargaining, public broadcast, the arts and humanities, and beyond.

- **We invite our community to reclaim our future and create a vision of our world where we live with dignity, freedom, and truth!**
- **We demand more from our justice systems, education systems, and each other!**

This January, we illuminate our resilience. We take back our hope.

SCHEDULE

Jan 12 - Friday (OPENING NIGHT EVENT Invite Only - 7 - 10pm)

Jan 13 - Saturday 10am - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 14 - Sunday 10am - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 15 - Monday 10am - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 16 - Tuesday 6pm - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 17 - Wednesday 6pm - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 18 - Thursday 6pm - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 19 - Friday 10am - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 20 - Saturday 10am - 10pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jan 21 - Sunday 10am - 4pm - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

(CLOSING NIGHT EVENT Invite Only 6pm - 9pm)

For more information please visit:

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