

Meetings & Events of Interest or Impact to the Arts

May-June, 2026

City of Manhattan Beach, April 17 – June 28, 2026

Exhibitions at The Manhattan Beach Art Center

Ritual

Exhibition Schedule: April 17 through June 28, 2026

Opening Reception: Friday, April 17 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, doors open at 6:00PM

(MBAC will be *CLOSED* from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM *the day of the Opening Reception*, regular gallery hours will resume April 18, 2026)



Ritual is a curated group exhibition that brings together contemporary ceramic artists whose work explores identity, belonging, and community through material practice. The exhibition considers ritual not as a fixed or ceremonial act alone, but as a lived and embodied process—expressed through repetition, gesture, inheritance, and transformation. Clay serves as both medium and metaphor, carrying personal, cultural, and collective histories while remaining open to reinvention.

Through diverse approaches to ceramics, *Ritual* foregrounds how material practices shape meaning and connection. The exhibition invites artists whose work engages themes of cultural memory, lineage, diaspora, tradition and social ritual, positioning ceramics as a powerful site for contemporary inquiry.

As part of the exhibition, MBAC's Education Space will be transformed into a contemporary tea room inspired by Japanese tea ceremonies. Presented in collaboration with Zakka Bakka Shop and TEA TEA TEA, the installation brings together traditional objects and handcrafted ceramic elements to create a reimagined environment for reflection and gathering. During the opening reception, tea master Shingo Murayama will activate the space through tea offerings, inviting visitors to experience ritual as a shared and embodied practice.

Join us at the Manhattan Beach Art Center for the opening reception on Friday, April 17th from 6pm to 8pm. Doors open at 6pm, light food and beverages will be provided. The opening reception of *Ritual* is sponsored by Simms Restaurants

PARTICIPATING ARTISTS:

Alex Anderson

Charly Blackburn

Anabel Juarez

Henry Kim

Charles Snowden

Claudia Solorzano

About Manhattan Beach Art Center: The Manhattan Beach Art Center stands as a vibrant platform for artistic exploration and community engagement. Through exhibitions, workshops, and events, the center enriches the cultural fabric of Manhattan Beach and its surrounding areas

MBAC Gallery Hours:

1560 Manhattan Beach Boulevard

Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

(310) 802-5440

[Email](#)

Monday through Tuesday: Closed

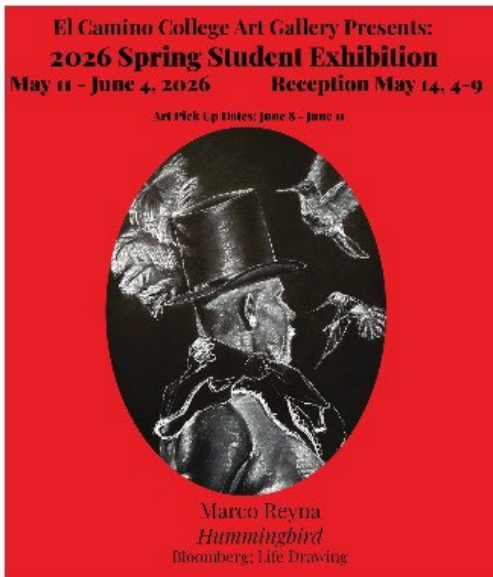
Wednesday through Thursday: 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Friday through Sunday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Closed for holidays, installation and deinstallation.



2026 Spring Student Exhibition



May 11 - June 4, 2026

The reception will be held on May 14, 2026 from 4:00 pm-9:00 pm.

The 2026 Spring Student Exhibition will feature artworks from the Fine Arts Department students.

Art Pick Up Dates: June 8 - June 11

City of Torrance, June 6 – July 18, 2026



MAIN GALLERY: CHAMPIONS! - Sports in Contemporary Art

An exploration of Soccer and other sport related themes in Contemporary Art in celebration of the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

GALLERY TWO: We Are Minnesota: Art as Resistance

Work and ephemera responding to political unrest. Curated by Mark Fisher.

The Torrance Art Museum is always FREE to the public.

Torrance Art Museum

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Torrance, CA 90503

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Hours of Operation:

Tuesday - Saturday

11am - 5pm*

*Operating hours apply during exhibition dates only. We are closed for installation between exhibitions. Closed Sunday, Monday, and all major holidays.



June-August, 2026

South Bay Credit Union

Monthly Featured Artist

312 N Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach



Lily Kalugar - RUHS 2026 Scholarship Recipient

Art Exhibit

June 2026

Reception - TBD

Shows

RBAG Art Show at Destination Art

1815 W 213th Street #135, Torrance

July 16, - August 1,

Reception, Saturday, July 25, 3-5pm