

CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION EXCELLENCE IN ARTS AWARD WINNERS

	ARTS EDUCATION	DANCE	DRAMA & THEATRE ARTS	LITERARY ARTS	MUSIC	VISUAL ARTS & DESIGN	KATY GEISSERT	Golden Circle	Emerging Artist
1977		Dosi Dancers			James Mack Beach Cities Symphony	Iris Willis Mary Ogawa	* ROSE FLOAT ASSOC * SISTER CITY ASSOC		
1984					Amy Terashim	Judy Barns Baker Patricia Dispenziere			
1985		Dorothy La Spina				Paul Bouchard Alicia De Santis			
1986						Jon Smith			
1987			Rosemary DeCamp		Mikko Haggott Melinda Quintile Don Marino	Rita Schroeder			
1991			Betty Schroeder		Donnelly Fenn	Stefan LeTete Beverly Metcalf			
1992		South Bay Ballet Diane Lauridsen	Maxine Desseau		Jane Hardester	Mary Ogawa			
1993					Paul Colaluca	Lucy Agid Carolyn Indovina			
1994		Jane Akiko Kamiya			Betty Jo Ravitz	George Z.C. Lin Harrison Storms			
1995			O. James Vogl		Lisz Matsko Hamilton	Hisako Asano Dan Desmond 2D	Barbara Johnson		
1996		Viji Prakash & the Shakti Foundation	Terry Collier		Linda Wang	Judity Hurst Baer Gerry MacLeod Marcus White	Dr. Owen Griffith		
1997		Diane Ratley				Dottie Britnacher Florence Rothbart			
1998		Dan Watt	Ron Scarlota	Eunice Gearhart	Laurie M Kona	Elizabeth Lanzer 2D Kenneth Kerney 3D	John Powers		
1999		Elaine Wang		Jerry Hicks	Dr. David Wilson	Diane Reeves (Photography) Mariann Strehler Max Fuller	Bob Stewart		
2000		Regina Klenjoski			David Beery	Mary Jane Sesto (Photography) Ron Libbrecht 2D	Jane Hardester		
2001		Regine Costell			South Bay Children's Choir	Jay McGregor 2D Nadene Merkitich 3D	Arts Council of Torrance		
2002	Mary Drobny	Susan Mann	Palos Verdes Players	Charlotte Lobb	June Lusk Nelson	Maggie Page	Torance Cultural Arts Center Foundation		
2003	Torrance Adventures in Art	Dianne Fukuwa	Janet Miller	Harrison Irving Scott	David Burks	Daniel McCaw	Tom Tanza		
2004	Go for Broke Foundation	Ashley Ellis	Gia Inferrera	Katherine Poehlmann	Frank Fetta	Douglas Simms Stenhouse	Janet Payne		

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2005	Gabriel Kriswirth	Patti Joy Neal	Aerospace Players	Dale Korman	Dr. Joanna Medawar Nachef	Douglas Castleman	Peggy Dowell		
2006	Dr. Dennis Puckett	South Bay Little Angels	Starlight Productions	Bonnie Mae Barnard	Richard Heckman	Ruby Wang	Mary P. Miller		
2007	Kathleen Jensen	Hanmi Korean Dance Academy	The Shields Family	Judith Gerber	James Banim	Mary Higuchi	Betty Holland		
2008	Heide Ulbrich	Pamela Debiase	Jim Hormel	Carine Topal	Priscilla LaMarca-Kandel	Paul Comon	Helen Nowatka		
2009		Jack Rennie	Michael Aldapa		Hector Salazar	Stephen West	Torrance Symphony Association		
2010	Diane Reeves	Tiffany Maisonet	South Bay Conservatory	Connie M. Dial	Charley Miller	James T. Russell	Ann Smisek		
2011	Kenneth F. Tuxford	Hype Studios	Cary Jordahl	Southwest Manuscripters	L.A. Vocal Core	Penelope Kastagir	Jean Adelsman		
2012	Ron Libbrecht	Mark Esposito	Jordana Benone	Dr. Wing Mar	L.A. South Towns Show Chorus	Bill Wassenberg	Bob & Laurie Brandt Red Car Brewery		
2013	Beverly Metcalf	Torrance Torrettes	Mark Torreso	Helen Dennis	Keiko Clark	Beth Shibada	Debbie Hays		
2014	Karla Schmidt Commins	Mai No Kai Japanese Traditional Dance	K.C. Gussler	Faith Goldman	Los Cancioneros Master Chorale	Dali Higa	Frank & Cindy Scotto * Torrance Theatre Co		
2015	Patrick Tierney	Allyson Lockhart	Larry Watts	Ted Lange	Ready, Willing and Mabel	David Wolfram	Gene & Linda Barnett		
2016	Janene Ferguson	Diane Ratley	Robert Minnichelli	Bondo Wyszpolski	Patti Breitag	Lexus Auto Group Bill Messenger/ Jodi Wiggins			
2017	Jim Eninger	Christopher Albrecht	MET 2	no recipient	Pennyroyal Players	Estelle DeRidder	Sue Herbers		
2018	Dr. Barbara Dyer	no recipient	Loren Gould	Steve Norris	Dr. James L.P. Hurd	Destination:Art	Heidi Ann & Dan Ashcraft		
2019	Dorene Coles	Nancy Hebson	Stephen Amundson	Jonathan Sperling	William Doyle	Max Presneill	Ritas Smith		
2020	CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19								
2021	Yuta Kato	Eduard Sargsyan	Glenn Kelman	n/a	Aloke Dasgupta	Hope Ezcurra Sue-Na Gay Jason Jenn Max Presneill	Dale Korman		
2022	Joe Mancusso	Niko Montelibano	Garrett Engle	David Howard & Sean O'Malley	Wole Oni	Patrick Sean O'Malley	Patrice Lefevre		
2023	Lynn Chiyeko Mikami	Elijah Pressman	Rachel Baumsten	Camron Berga	Sasha Mori	Tiffany Mitchell	Cindy Shields	Diane Lauridsen, Ballet California	
2024	Garry & Julie Lawrence Cresendo	Ilona Glinarsky	Daniel Scipio	Ruth Stevens	Ed Trimis	Caroline Cheng	Torrance Bakery	Diane Reeves	Kamiko Adams

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2025		Sjaan Trowbridge	Chris Tiernan	Sasha & Ryan Miller	Bradley Hampton	Brainstorm Productions	Visions of Unity		Jorge Macias