

Hello Everyone.....

My name is Matt Browar and I am the chair of Murals of La Jolla.

I'm so thrilled to see so many supporters, friends, family and new faces here today.

I want to take a moment to thank Trey Foshee and George Hauer of Galaxy

Taco for hosting the party in their parking lot and for their continued support

of the Mural project.

I also want to thank the Athenaeum, art committee, the mural members, mural makers, wall sponsors, corporate members and Patsy Marino for organizing this fantastic party and who is a core member in the success of this project. Thank you all for your generosity and continued support of this most important project.

The murals are to be enjoyed, to spark curiosity and promote the benefits of art appreciation...

Over Eight years ago, the goal was to bring public art to La Jolla.

Six years ago, the goal was to establish sixteen permanent sites dedicated to the display of public art.

Five years ago, our Objective was to create monthly mural tours, and

Four years ago, we added the mission to rotate at least three new murals each year.

I am proud to say that all of those goals have been met, because of your involvement.

Since its inception, over three thousand people have participated in the mural tours.... that's over three thousand people whose lives were touched by art...whose imaginations were stirred...who welcomed a little more color into their lives thanks to this project...

and we have even greater and more expansive goals for the future.

Our intent for the murals is to enhance the educational aspect of the project.... If I happen to call your name please raise your hand.....after all, we have world class artists like Roy McMakin, Kim MacConnel, Kelsey Brooks, Victoria Fu, Raul Gerrero and Phillip Ritterman
These artists have given us a part of their Humor, vision, and expression in these murals. Lets give these participating artists a well-deserved round of applause.

We're talking about creating a mobile application, a coffee table book, and most importantly, an endowment which will insure that future generations will be as engaged as we are in the enjoyment of these public pieces of art. Of course, none of this is possible, nor can it become reality, without your support.

I want to thank all of you once again for sharing our enthusiasm and appreciating our Mission of bringing even more depth and dimension to our beautiful city.

And now I would like to introduce Lynda Forsha. Lynda is deeply rooted in the Project and is the project curator, and without her help the project would not be where it is today.

Lynda

First and foremost I want to thank tonight's hostess Stacy Jacobs for hosting this mural maker dinner in

her beautiful home. Stacy has been a long time supporter of the project and I'm truly grateful for

Her support. Stacy deserves a gratitude of applause.

As a donor your part of something really special, your part of our community and you made this project

possible.

From the bottom of my heart, you all for your generous donations. Because of your involvement we

Have installed over 30 murals and have provided tours for more than 5000 people.

2020 will be the Murals 10th birthday and we will be planning several special events including a Murals

Coffee book.

Again, a big thank you to Stacy for hosting this event and to everyone here for their generous donations.

And now Lynda will say a few words.