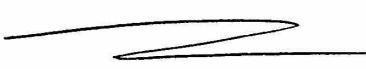


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GOOD EVENING

ITS GREAT SEEING EVERYONE HERE TONIGHT.

I WANT TO TAKE A **MOMENT** TO THANK JAY AND JEN FOR HOSTING **THIS EVENT AND OPENING UP THEIR SPECTACULAR HOME** FOR THIS YEARS MURAL MAKERS DINNER.

IT IS THROUGH JAY AND JEN SUPPORT AND THE GENEROUS SUPPORT OF EVERYONE **HERE** THAT THE MURALS OF LA JOLLA HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL THESE PAST 8 YEARS.

THE MURAL PROJECT HAS CHANGED THE LANDSCAPE OF LA JOLLA AND SAN DIEGO. IT HAS ADDED MEANING AND UNIQUENESS **AND IS AN IMPORTANT "PUBLIC" "PROJECT"** THANKS TO EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM.

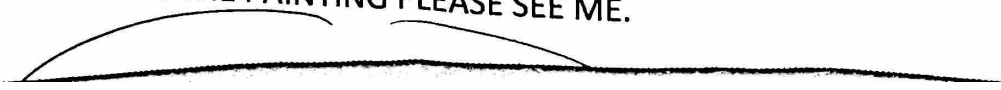
I WANT TO PERSONALLY THANK THE MURAL MAKERS, WALL SPONORS, ART COMMITTEE AND THE ARTISTS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE MURAL PROJECT.

I KNOW WE ALL HAVE CHOICES FOR DONATING OUR MONEY AND I'M THRILLED THAT YOU HAVE CHOSEN THE MURAL PROJECT YEAR AFTER YEAR.

I THANK YOU ALL FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!

AND NOW LYNDA WILL SAY A FEW WORDS

I'M THRILLED TO ANNOUNCE THAT RAUL IS WILLING TO SELL HIS PAINTING AND HAS AGREED TO DONATE A PERCENTAGE OF THE SALE TO MURALS OF LA JOLLA. IF YOUR INTERESTED IN THE PAINTING PLEASE SEE ME.



HELLO EVERYONE,

MY NAME IS MATT BROWAR AND I'M THE CHAIR OF MURALS OF LA JOLLA.

THIS IS OUR 6TH YEAR SINCE WE INSTALLED OUR 1ST MURAL.

AS I LOOK AROUND THE LOT I'M OVERWHELMED AND THANKFUL FOR THE

CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE MURAL MAKERS AND MURAL MEMBERS.

YOUR DONATIONS HAVE ALLOWED THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE TO

ENJOY THE MURAL PROJECT. TO DATE WE HAVE INSTALLED 23 MURALS AND

HAVE 16 MURAL LOCATIONS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP THE

PROJECT FRESH BY ROTATING OUT 3 - 5 MURALS PER YEAR.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR MOST GENEROUS SUPPORT.

BY A SHOW OF HANDS WHO HAS EXPERIENCED THE MURAL TOUR?

THE MURAL TOUR IS THE BEST PART ABOUT THE MURAL PROJECT. IT IS FUN, ENTERTAINING, INTELECTURAL AND YOU CAN BURN CALORIES. IT IS THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AND YOU SHOULD MAKE A RESERVATION AS IT SELLS OUT QUICKLY. IF YOU LIKE TO BRING A GROUP OF FRIENDS, FAMILY OR BUISNESS ASSOCIATES I WILL ARRANGE A PRIVATE TOUR FOR YOUR GROUP.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE LOT AND THE EMPRESS HOTEL WHO HAVE BOTH MOST GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED THE PROJECT FINANCIAL AND "IN KIND".

THANK YOU BOTH FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND BEING PART OF THE MURAL PROJECT.

HAUER AND NELSON....

SO WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE PROJECT DIRECTOR AND CURATOR LYNDA FORSHA WHO WILL INTRODUCE OUR GUEST THIS EVENING TERRY ALLEN AND HIS BAND.

Hello everyone...as **most** of you might already know, my name is Matt Browar and I'm the chair of Murals of La Jolla.

The mural program is one that enhances our community **and thanks to the enthusiasm of everyone here**, is celebrating our ninth year.

Over the past nine years, we've learned how to identify and secure locations, curate the selection, install and display these murals **which** have enriched our lives.

Thanks to your encouragement and support of this program, we can all be very proud that we are in a position to actively endorse a simple yet profound truth, and that is "Art is Everywhere".

To date we have installed 30 murals and have led walking tours for over 7000 people.

I'm sure the number of unofficial views not counted...on morning jogs, errands, visiting tourists and driving through La Jolla would be staggering.

The murals provoke thought and encourage conversation.... the latest contribution is a stellar example of, literally how art can **MOVE** us....

Alex Katz, the legendary artist who created this mural, was by all accounts the most difficult and challenging artist to get to participate in the mural project.

Alex Katz is 92 years young, paints seven days a week and has upcoming gallery shows scheduled for the next several years. It took over two years of probing, phone calls, emails, bribes, really good bribes that didn't work. And finally, I had to resort to begging which finally did work.

I think you will all agree, as you look at the mural, the wait for Alex Katz was worth it.... The end result is fantastic, it's a special tribute to Bill T. Jones, himself an icon in the cultural world as a renowned choreographer and pioneer of modern dance.

The work encourages questions ...it provokes us to want to know more...about the subject and the artist.

I hope everyone here likes it as much as I do.

I want to take a moment to thank ^{YU} ~~Ca~~ Brewing Company for allowing us to host this year's party in the parking lot. I also

want to acknowledge three early supporters of the project; *Andy Nelson* Phillis Pfeiffer, Barbara Bree and Scott Peters. In addition

I would like to extend a special thank you to everyone here for your continued support of our mural project over the last nine years. That includes the Mural makers, wall sponsors, art committee members, Building owners, Athenaeum and the artists. I also would like to thank Patsy Moreno for organizing the Mural party.

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This mural project is extremely special to La Jolla and San Diego and with your continued support, it will continue to flourish for many years to come. While we've all chosen to live and work in this beautiful city, it is through the support of everyone here that we get to participate in this wonderful, enriching, contemporary conversation. I am very proud of that...

I thank you all and now I would like to introduce Lynda Forsha the Executive Director of the mural project.