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**ANDERSON RANCH ARTS CENTER SELECTS FIFTEEN ARTISTS IMPACTED BY THE LOS ANGELES
WILDFIRES TO JOIN ITS DISTINGUISHED RESIDENCY PROGRAM
WITH ALL PROGRAM FEES WAIVED**



Aspen/Snowmass, CO — [Anderson Ranch Arts Center](#), a premier destination for art making and critical dialogue in the contemporary arts has selected fifteen artists impacted by the wildfires in Los Angeles to participate in a new supported residency program from October 15 – November 19, 2025, with all program fees waived.

SELECTED ARTISTS

Scott Cassidy
Michelle Dakan
Olivia Hill
Noah Jackson
Bryan Omar Juarez
T.Kelly Mason
Arturo Mejia
Marieka Possman

Clay Ngo
Jane Orr
Sam Richardson
Lili Todd
Carmela Uribe
Yu Ye
Joel Zuercher

The artists, some of whom have longstanding ties to Anderson Ranch, and others who are newcomers, and who lost their homes, studios, archives, and work in the wildfires, each submitted their portfolio as well as an artist statement that gave insight into what their lives and creative practice looked like since the fires broke out. They will be joined by renowned critic, author and curator **Helen Molesworth**, who will serve as the visiting critic for the residency cohort, providing valuable studio feedback and constructive input to all of the participants. During her time at the Ranch, she will give a public lecture and spend two days visiting the studios and critiquing resident work.

“As a residency based in Western Colorado—a region also vulnerable to wildfires—we stand in solidarity with our friends in LA and offer this opportunity for recovery and renewal,” said **Peter Waanders**, Executive Director of Anderson Ranch. “For decades, Anderson Ranch has nurtured artists by providing time, space, support, and community. We are pleased to invite these fifteen artists impacted by the January fires in the Los Angeles area, to come together during a challenging time in their lives and careers, to connect with each other, to heal, to rebuild, and to continue to create important work that helps us deepen our understanding of the human experience we all share - even in the aftermath of such tragedy.”

ANDERSON RANCH ARTS CENTER ARTISTS-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM

The Anderson Ranch Artists-in-Residence program is distinguished by its exceptional staff support and world-class facilities, which it is making available to artists who have lost access to studios, tools, housing, and community support. This program welcomes artists working in Painting, Printmaking, Photography & New Media, Furniture Design & Woodworking, Sculpture, and Ceramics. The aim of the residency, which includes housing, studio space and meals, is to provide a space for the artists to create, rebuild, and heal.

VISITING CRITIC

As part of the residency program, Anderson Ranch invites internationally recognized artists and critics to give valuable studio feedback to program participants, allowing residents a chance to receive constructive input on the direction of their work. [Learn more.](#)

ABOUT ANDERSON RANCH ARTS CENTER

Founded in 1966, Anderson Ranch Arts Center is a premier destination for art-making and critical dialogue, bringing together aspiring and internationally renowned artists to discuss and further their work in a stimulating environment. Nestled in the Rocky Mountains of Aspen/Snowmass, Colorado, the Ranch hosts an extensive array of workshops in seven disciplines, including Photography & New Media, Ceramics, Painting & Drawing, Furniture Design & Woodworking, Sculpture, Printmaking, and Digital Fabrication. In addition, the Ranch hosts engaging community events throughout the year, and a year-round Artists-in-Residence program. For more than 50 years, Anderson Ranch Arts Center has been working to enrich lives with art, inspiration and community. Learn more at www.andersonranch.org.

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