

Joint Committee on Arts

Informational Hearing

California and the Humanities: Building Bridges and Amplifying Voices

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 3:00 p.m.

State Capitol – Room 2040 – Sacramento

Live stream: <http://senate.ca.gov//>

AGENDA

- I. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Senator Ben Allen - Chair, Joint Committee on the Arts
Assemblymember Kansen Chu - Vice Chair, Joint Committee on the Arts
and other committee members (as present)

- II. **Panel 1: Defining the Humanities**
William Deverell, Ph.D., Director, Huntington-USC Institute on California and the West

- III. **Panel 2: The Humanities: Artists and Storytellers on a Mission**
James Q. Chan, Producer/Director, Good Medicine Picture Company, *Forever, Chinatown* (San Francisco)
Anjanette Maraya-Ramey, MA, CNP, Dancer and Choreographer; Executive Director, The AjA Project, *BorderClick* (San Diego)
Donté Clark, Spoken Word Artist, Community Activist and Actor *Romeo is Bleeding* (Richmond)
Chris Brown, Deputy County Librarian, Santa Clara County Library District; *War Ink* (Campbell)
Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, Associate Chair of English Department and Faculty Director of Prison Program, California State University Los Angeles *Words Uncaged* (Los Angeles)
Miriam Pawel, Author; (former) Journalist, *Los Angeles Times* and *Newsday Democracy in the Fields* (Los Angeles)

- IV. **Panel 3: Partnership Programs: Inspiring Cultural Connections**
John Szabo, City Librarian, Los Angeles Public Library; Board Member, California Humanities
Nina Simon, Executive Director, Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History
Oliver A. Rosales, Ph.D., Professor of History and Faculty Coordinator/Social Justice Institute, Bakersfield College; Board Member, California Humanities

- V. **Panel 4: State of the Humanities: Do They Matter?**
Katrina Woodworth, Ed.D., Senior Principal Researcher, SRI Education
Neha Balram, Community Engagement Coordinator, California Humanities
Julie Fry, President and CEO, California Humanities

VI. Public Comment

VII. Closing Comments by Committee Chair, Vice-Chair and Members

VIII. Adjournment