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REFLECTIONS Temporary Art Installation of the Art Happens Anywhere Program

GLENDALE, CA **Reflections** by artist, Ashton Phillips, is a meditative, experimental sound art installation located at Central Park (216 S Brand Blvd., Glendale, CA 91203) from September 15, 2020 - January 15, 2021. The virtual, sound art component will weave together the voices of a diverse range of LA County residents with other voices from quarantined regions around the world, all reflecting on their experiences living through this pandemic. These digital voices will be virtually tied to a physical installation of flat, durable reflective aluminum discs set into the ground in a mandala pattern, providing a visual marker of the activated space and a meditative environment in which to experience the sound installation.

Art Happens Anywhere ("AHA"), a programmatic initiative of the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission, is intended to encourage the expansion of arts and culture activities to benefit the citizens of our community during these unique times. AHA encourages artists to consider non-traditional artwork, experiences and performances that can engage the public in unexpected ways and places given the social distancing requirements. Through innovative uses of digital and virtual technology, audience interactivity, and unconventional delivery methods, the AHA Program seeks to foster progressive attitudes toward art, art-making and performance, and to elevate the role of art in enhancing a community.

The mission of the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission is to enrich the human experience, reinforce Glendale's identity and civic pride through arts and culture, and to recognize the importance of arts to our quality of life and to the local economy. This is accomplished by consciously integrating arts and culture into the daily life of the people of Glendale through urban design, planning, economic development, and education. For more information about the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission see the website: https://www.glendaleartsandculture.org/

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About Glendale

Known as the "Jewel City," Glendale is the fourth largest city of Los Angeles County. With a population of more than 200,000, Glendale is a thriving cosmopolitan city that is rich in history, culturally diverse, and offers nearly 50 public parks, and easy access to a municipal airport. It is the home to a vibrant business community, with major companies in healthcare, entertainment, manufacturing, retail, and banking.

About Library, Arts & Culture

Founded in 1907, the Glendale Library, Arts & Culture Department includes six neighborhood libraries as well as the Brand Library & Art Center, a regional visual arts and music library and performance venue housed in the historic 1904 mansion of Glendale pioneer Leslie C. Brand, and the Downtown Central Library, a 93,000 square foot center for individuals and groups to convene, collaborate and create - Now on the web at www.eGlendaleLAC.org. The Department also serves as the chief liaison to the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission which works to continually transform Glendale into an everevolving arts destination. For more information contact Library, Arts & Culture at 818-548-2021 or via email at LibraryInfo@glendaleca.gov.