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OAKLAND MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA ANNOUNCES EVENTS & PROGRAMS FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Friday Nights @ OMCA Winter Season Begins Friday, November 2

Special Holiday Sales, Cultural Celebrations, and New Exhibitions on View

(OAKLAND, CA) October 15, 2018— The **Oakland Museum of California** announces its events and special programs in November and December, including the **kick off to the Winter Season of Friday Nights @ OMCA on November 2**. Every Friday, explore the Museum's 110,000 square feet of gallery space until 9 pm, including hands-on exhibitions with interactive activities for the whole family to enjoy. Find inspiration in a new artwork, connect with new and old friends, and kick off the weekend at one of Oakland's favorite things to do every week.

Don't miss the fifth annual Indian Market held November 3 & 4, special docent-led tours of the new exhibition *The World of Charles and Ray Eames*, and a celebration of the **Bay Area's many diverse winter traditions**, including Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, Balinese, and Latin American winter festivities, during **Winter Fest on December 14**. Experience OMCA's **new family-friendly exhibition *Cruisin' the Fossil Coastline***, opening November 10 in the Gallery of California Art. For more details, visit museumca.org.

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[Friday Nights @ OMCA Winter Season](#)

Every Friday, 5–9 pm

November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

December 7, 14

**NOTE: The last Friday Nights @ OMCA for 2018 will be Friday, December 14*

As the days get shorter and the seasons change, OMCA invites you to bring your Friday Nights @ OMCA fun inside this Winter Season! Find inspiration in a new artwork, connect with new and old friends, and kick off the weekend at one of Oakland's favorite things to do every week. Enjoy free expanded DJ sets from the Bay Area's finest, hands-on family activities, Off the Grid food trucks, cash bar, and more.

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Beginning Friday, November 2, admission to all of the Museum's galleries and exhibitions will be regular price from 11 am to 9 pm: \$15.95 General Admission, \$10.95 for Seniors & Students, \$6.95 for Youth ages 9–17, with a \$4 Great Hall special exhibition admission fee. OMCA is always free for ages 8 and under and Members. The price of admission helps make possible all of OMCA's exhibitions, programs, events, and Friday Nights @ OMCA activities.

[5th Annual Indian Market at Oakland Museum of California](#)

Friday, November 2, 3–9 pm

Saturday, November 3, 10 am–3 pm

In celebration of Native American Heritage Month—and just in time for the holidays—shop the 5th annual Indian Market at OMCA featuring jewelry, baskets, prints, and other modern interpretations of Indian artistry. Find exquisite creations to share with your loved ones, and meet and support artisans from the California Indian community. Included with Museum admission. On Friday after 5 pm, enjoy the late-night gallery access during [Friday Nights @ OMCA](#), featuring Off the Grid food trucks, live music, family activities, and more.

[\(Not Your Typical\) Teacher Lounge: Reflections of Native California](#)

Friday, November 2

4–7 pm

For the first [Teacher Lounge](#) of the year, join us for critical conversations with and about Native communities and learn strategies for integrating diverse stories and experiences of California Indians into the classroom. Bring your team, make new friends from neighboring schools, and learn about OMCA's teacher resources while you relax. This event is free for teachers and chaperones. No RSVP required to attend. During [Friday Nights @ OMCA](#), from 5 to 9 pm, enjoy food trucks from Off the Grid, late-night gallery access, live music, family-friendly art activities, and more.

[The World of Charles and Ray Eames Docent Tours](#)

Select Saturdays and Sundays

November 3, 11, 17, 25

December 1, 9, 15, 23

12 pm

Experience [The World of Charles and Ray Eames](#) with a Docent as your guide. Discover the innovative husband and wife duo Charles and Ray Eames, two of the most influential designers of the twentieth century. Go beyond their well-known designs in an intimate and inspiring exhibition portraying their legacy and lives in California. There is an additional \$4 charge for special exhibition *The World of Charles and Ray Eames*.

The World of Charles and Ray Eames is curated and organized by Barbican Art Gallery, London. The Oakland Museum of California presentation is made possible by Herman Miller and the Oakland Museum Women's Board, in collaboration with the Barbican Art Gallery and

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Eames Office, with support from Terra Foundation. Paint for the exhibition is generously provided by Farrow & Ball.

[First Sundays @ OMCA](#)

Sunday, November 4 & Sunday, December 2

10 am–6 pm

Visit OMCA's new special exhibition [The World of Charles and Ray Eames](#) and go beyond their most well-known designs. Unearth what motivates local urban farmers and gardeners in [Take Root: Oakland Grows Food](#) and experience all that our Galleries of California Art, History, and Natural Sciences have to offer. Pick up a treat for yourself or a loved one in the OMCA Store. Enjoy a lunch or snack in Blue Oak café. Spend a day with us and find out why TripAdvisor reviewers call OMCA "a hidden gem."

Suggested donation for general admission: \$5 per person. No advance online tickets are available for First Sundays. Your contribution helps us provide access to other visitors in the community.

[Cruisin' Book Signing with Artist Ray Troll](#)

Friday, November 9

6–7 pm

Join us for a special book signing of *Cruisin' the Fossil Freeway* with Ray Troll, artist of exhibition *Cruisin' the Fossil Coastline*, on view in the Gallery of California Art November 10, 2018–March 17, 2019. Troll, along with paleontologist Kirk Johnson, paint a vivid picture of the land and creatures that once roamed the West Coast thousands of years ago in this exciting new exhibition. The exhibition is organized by the Anchorage Museum.

[OMCA Store Member Sale](#)

Sunday, November 25

10 am–6 pm

OMCA is celebrating [Museum Store Sunday](#), an international event inviting holiday shoppers to support local museums. OMCA Members will receive an additional 10% off, for a total of 20% off of regularly priced items in store and online. Save on unique and carefully curated products to suit everyone on your gift list this holiday season. Shop online at shop.museumca.org

[Museum Store Sunday](#)

Sunday, November 25

10 am–6 pm

Shop local, and support your Museum! The [OMCA Store](#) is participating in Museum Store Sunday, an international campaign and annual event. Give with meaning by shopping the OMCA Store for unique products and support OMCA in the process. The OMCA Store is full of treats and treasures for everyone on your gift list, specializing in California-themed gifts by local

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artisans, a book selection from art catalogs to cookbooks, exhibition-themed favorites, and more.

[Friday Nights @ OMCA: Winter Fest](#)

Friday, December 14

5–9 pm

Celebrate diverse winter traditions reflected in the Bay Area, including Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. Enjoy story time with the Oakland Public Library, winter-themed activities, strolling carolers, and a special Balinese dance and music performance by Gamelan Sekar Jaya Ensemble. Create a candle to take home as we wrap up the final Friday Nights @ OMCA for 2018.

ABOUT FRIDAY NIGHTS @ OMCA

The Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) presents *Friday Nights @ OMCA*, a weekly evening series every Friday from 5 to 9 pm, in partnership with *Off the Grid: Lake Merritt @ OMCA*--the first major food truck market in the East Bay. Friday Nights @ OMCA features extended Museum hours, in-gallery programming, a beer garden from Blue Oak café, live music, dancing, hands-on family activities, and more. Outdoor performances are free and accessible to all, including OMCA's Go Local stage, featuring top Bay Area musicians and performers. Gallery admission is free for Members and ages 8 and under. Event parking in the Museum garage is \$7. *Friday Nights @ OMCA* is presented in partnership with *Off the Grid: Lake Merritt @ OMCA*. *Friday Nights @ OMCA* is made possible in part by generous support from Bank of America, the Oakland Museum Women's Board, The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, and the Koret Foundation. museumca.org/friday-nights-omca

ABOUT OMCA FAMILY

The Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) is committed to being a welcoming and lively place for multi-generational Bay Area families to visit, learn, and engage through **OMCA Family**, with art activities, storytelling, and hands-on, drop-in projects throughout the Museum. OMCA's other family-friendly offerings include free **Family Guides to the Galleries** available at ticketing desks, **free activity Books & Blankets** available for check-out anytime the Museum is open, and three **large annual festivals**: Lunar New Year in February, the Summer Reading Celebration in August with the Oakland Public Library, and the Days of the Dead Celebration in October. *OMCA Festivals are made possible in part by generous support from the Oakland Museum Women's Board and the Koret Foundation.* museumca.org/family

ABOUT THE OAKLAND MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA

The Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) tells the many stories that comprise California, creating the space and context for greater connection, trust, and understanding between people. Through its inclusive exhibitions, public programs, educational initiatives, and cultural

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events, OMCA brings Californians together and inspires greater understanding about what our state's art, history, and natural surroundings teach us about ourselves and each other. With more than 1.9 million objects, OMCA brings together its multi-disciplinary collections of art, history, and natural science with the first-person accounts and often untold narratives of California, all within its 110,000 square feet of gallery space and seven-acre campus. OMCA is a leading cultural institution of the Bay Area and a resource for the research and understanding of California's dynamic cultural and environmental heritage for visitors from the region, the state, and around the world.

VISITOR INFORMATION

The Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) is at 1000 Oak Street, at 10th Street, in Oakland. Museum admission is \$15.95 general; \$10.95 seniors and students with valid ID, \$6.95 youth ages 9 to 17, and **free for children 8 and under** and Members. There is a \$4 charge in addition to general admission pricing for special exhibitions. OMCA offers onsite underground parking, with validation for Museum visitors, and is conveniently located one block from the **Lake Merritt BART** station, on the corner of 10th Street and Oak Street. The accessibility ramp is located at the new 1000 Oak Street main entrance. Regular hours are 11 am to 5 pm, Wednesday through Sunday, 11 am to 9 pm Fridays. museumca.org