

Oakland Museum of California



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**OAKLAND MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA PRESENTS  
ZIGGURAT, A POWERFUL FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH  
PERSONALITY AND PURPOSE**

**MAY 19 EVENT INSPIRED BY OMCA'S RESPECT: HIP-HOP STYLE &  
WISDOM EXHIBITION, INCLUDING A HEADLINING LIVE  
PERFORMANCE BY OAKLAND'S OWN HIEROGLYPHICS**

(Oakland, CA) May 3, 2018– Oakland Museum of California (OMCA) will present **the third annual Ziggurat**, a fundraising event on Saturday, May 19 that is uniquely “Oakland”. At Ziggurat, Oakland’s vibrant local community comes together to celebrate the Museum with a party that is far from the typical fundraising event.

OMCA’s popular exhibition **RESPECT: Hip-Hop Style & Wisdom** inspires the evening, from atmosphere to entertainment, with **Oakland’s own legendary Hip-Hop collective Hieroglyphics headlining Ziggurat Late Night**. Ziggurat guests will begin their evening at 6 pm with cocktails on the garden terrace and exclusive access to **RESPECT: Hip-Hop Style & Wisdom**, followed by dinner catered by Barbara Llewelyn Catering and a live auction and fund-a-need. A Hip-Hop dance performance by Destiny Arts Center’s Junior Company will follow the auction. Craft cocktails will be provided by St. George Spirits, wine by Purple Wine and Spirits, and music by DJ heyLove\*.

Immediately following the dance performance, guests can stay and enjoy Ziggurat Late Night, with mouth-watering bites, open bars, and **live entertainment by Souls of Mischief, Casual, Domino, DJ Toure, Pep Love and Del the Funky Homosapien of Hieroglyphics**. Guests may choose to attend the Late Night event only, from 9 pm to 12 am, by purchasing a Ziggurat Late Night ticket. Tickets for the full evening start at \$625, lounges at \$5,000, and Ziggurat Late Night tickets at just \$85. All ticket sales support OMCA’s innovative programs that impact more than 320,000 families, children, and adults each year. For more information, visit

[museumca.org/ziggurat](http://museumca.org/ziggurat) and for an invitation, contact [ziggurat@museumca.org](mailto:ziggurat@museumca.org) or call 510-318-8502.

“Oakland Museum of California is Oakland's premier cultural institution and gathering place, hence the name of its annual fundraiser, Ziggurat—the name of a meeting place in ancient Babylonia,” explains Ziggurat Event Chair Valerie Corvin. “This year's Ziggurat promises to be the best one yet. What could be more exciting than a Hip-Hop theme with iconic old videos playing in the background and top-notch local Hip-Hop dance and musical artists entertaining?”

The Ziggurat Event Chair is Valerie Corvin. The Event Committee includes Sasha Bainer, Rachel Benham, Melissa Davis, Karen Eichler, Silvia Fernandez, Doug Heske, Laurie Johnson, Tim Johnson, Cynthia Karasik, Estrella Parker, Rachelle Sessions, Ann Thompson, and Penelope Wong.

### ***Ziggurat Sponsors***

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### **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 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**

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 10 pm Fridays. [museumca.org](http://museumca.org)

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