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OAKLAND MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA ANNOUNCES EVENTS & PROGRAMS FOR MARCH & APRIL 2020

Join Us for a Special Conversation with Liam O'Donoghue, Jenny Odell, Alexis Madrigal, and Dr. Brandi Thompson Summers about Mapping Untold Stories

Don't Miss the Widely-Popular White Elephant Sale on Saturday and Sunday,
March 7 and 8

(OAKLAND, CA) February 24, 2020—The **Oakland Museum of California (OMCA)** announces upcoming **events and special programs in March and April**. Northern California's biggest and best rummage sale, the **61st annual White Elephant Sale**, returns the weekend of **Saturday and Sunday, March 7 and 8**. All proceeds from the sale, organized by the Oakland Museum Women's Board, help support OMCA's programming, exhibitions, and events.

As part of OMCA's new exhibition, *You Are Here: California Stories on the Map*, **In Conversation: Mapping Untold Stories** on **Saturday, April 25** will bring together notable artists, journalists, and educators to consider the way in which invisible patterns and powers are made real on maps. Join the conversation with **Liam O'Donoghue**, host and producer of acclaimed podcast East Bay Yesterday; **Jenny Odell**, multi-disciplinary artist and author of *New York Times* Best Seller *How to Do Nothing: Resisting the Attention Economy*; **Alexis Madrigal**, journalist and staff writer at *The Atlantic*; and **Dr. Brandi Thompson Summers**, assistant professor of Geography and Global Metropolitan Studies at the University of California, Berkeley.

OMCA's year of 50th anniversary programming continues on **Saturday, March 21** with **OMCA at 50 Community Conversations: Food and Well-Being**. Hear from prominent Oakland and Bay Area chefs as they explore where our food comes from, the practice of making a meal and what it means to gather and share food together.

For more information about OMCA's events and exhibitions, please visit museumca.org.

CALENDAR EDITOR PLEASE LIST:

**FAMILY EVENTS; MUSIC EVENTS; COMMUNITY EVENTS; ART EVENTS; FOOD EVENTS;
SHOPPING EVENTS; CHARITY EVENTS**

First Sundays at OMCA

Sunday, March 1 & Sunday, April 5

11 am–5 pm

Spend your weekend with us at First Sundays at OMCA! Discover how maps can be used as tools to imagine a better future in *You Are Here: California Stories on the Map* and experience iconic photography of 20th century America in *Dorothea Lange: Photography as Activism*. 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. Spend a day with us and find out why *East Bay Express* calls OMCA “the best museum for the people, by the people.”

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.

Friday Nights at OMCA

Every Friday from 5–9 pm

March 6, 13, 20, 27

April 3, 10, 17, 24

Join OMCA for the 8th season of Oakland-favorite Friday Nights at OMCA, including Off the Grid food trucks, DJs, music, family programs, late-night gallery access, and other activities for the community every Friday night. Friday Nights will continue throughout OMCA’s campus renovations, with performances and activities moving to Oak Street Plaza. Stay tuned for more updates about the Friday Nights at OMCA experience, or find more details on our [Friday Nights at OMCA webpage](#).

White Elephant Sale

Saturday, March 7 and Sunday, March 8

10 am–4 pm

Serious shoppers take note: the biggest and best rummage sale in Northern California returns for one grand weekend with free admission for all. Held in a 96,000-square-foot warehouse at 333 Lancaster Street, near the Oakland Estuary, the sale offers something for everyone including clothing, jewelry, books, tools, art, sports equipment, furniture, household items, and more. Organized and presented by the Oakland Museum Women’s Board, all sale proceeds benefit the Oakland Museum of California.

Free admission and free shuttle to and from the Fruitvale BART station. Please note that parking is extremely limited in the area.

OMCA @ 50 Community Conversations: Food and Well-Being

Saturday, March 21

2 pm

Food not only provides nourishment for our bodies—it also impacts our emotional and social health. Hear from prominent Oakland and Bay Area chefs as they explore where our food

comes from, the practice of making a meal, and what it means when we gather and share food together.

Tickets are \$20 for OMCA Members and \$25 for general admission. Ticket does not include gallery admission.

In Conversation: Mapping Untold Stories

Saturday, April 25

2–3:30 pm

As part of OMCA's new exhibition, *You Are Here: California Stories on the Map*, consider the ways in which invisible patterns and powers are made real on maps in this special program. How do maps help tell under-told stories? How does collecting data enable us to understand the histories of oppression and imbalance of power? What do maps help reveal for future generations?

Join the conversation with Liam O'Donoghue, host and producer of acclaimed podcast *East Bay Yesterday*, Jenny Odell, multi-disciplinary artist and author of *How to Do Nothing: Resisting the Attention Economy*, Alexis Madrigal, journalist and staff writer at *The Atlantic*, and Dr. Brandi Thompson Summers, assistant professor of Geography and Global Metropolitan Studies at the University of California, Berkeley. The program will be moderated by *You Are Here* guest curator, Sarah Seiter.

Tickets available soon.

ABOUT THE OAKLAND MUSEUM WOMEN'S BOARD

The sole purpose of the Oakland Museum Women's Board (OMWB), a dedicated group with 114 year-round members, has been to raise money to support the Oakland Museum of California acquisitions, exhibitions, educational programs, capital improvements, and more. Since 1959, the OMWB has contributed over \$22 million to the Museum. With the help of a thousand dedicated volunteers, they work year-round to organize and present the White Elephant Sale held annually during the first weekend in March which attracts shoppers from the Bay Area and beyond.

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. The Museum is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year as 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 \$16 general; \$11 seniors and students with valid ID, \$7 youth ages 9 to 17, and free for Members and children 8 and under. There is a \$5 charge in addition to general admission pricing for special exhibitions. OMCA offers onsite underground parking 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 1000 Oak Street main entrance to the Museum. museumca.org

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