



APRIL 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April is Arts, Culture & Creativity Month – a month of free events, resources, and advocacy opportunities across the state with the goal of engaging arts advocates and raising awareness of the impact of the arts within communities.

- Monday, April 1** Visit the California for the Arts website and learn about [Arts Culture and Creativity Month](#). Lots of resources to get you engaged. [Register](#) to attend the San Diego kickoff of ACCM on April 5.
- Tuesday, April 2** Attend the launch of the National Endowment for the Arts “Indicators Project,” a new online research tool designed to disclose key facts and figures about the role of artists and the arts in our lives and communities. [Advanced registration](#) is required.
- Wednesday, April 3** Do you live in the City of San Diego? Visit the [San Diego City Council website](#), find your representative and learn about their policy priorities.
- Thursday, April 4-7** Be an arts advocate and demonstrate your support by participating in the arts. Attend the 4-day La Jolla Playhouse WOW [Festival](#).
- Friday, April 5** Join us for the San Diego Kick-Off of ACCM at UC San Diego Park and Market. [Register](#) here. It’s FREE!
- Monday, April 8** Get the facts. Download [Ten Reasons to Support the Arts](#) and have your advocacy talking points ready to go.
- Tuesday, April 9** Sign up to receive [Action Alerts](#) from California Arts Advocates and take action on State and Federal arts policies with a click of a button.
- Wednesday, April 10** Do you believe arts education is a student right? Join [Create CA](#), our statewide arts education advocacy organization, and demand the arts education your schools deserve.
- Thursday, April 11** Champion the City of San Diego Arts + Culture “Penny for the Arts” campaign by attending an upcoming budget hearing. Contact advocacy@artsandculturesd.org for more info.
- Friday, April 12** It’s easy to find all your elected officials. Just click [here](#) and enter your street address and zip code. Put them in your contacts for future communications.
- Saturday, April 13** Write to your elected officials (yes, people still write letters) and tell them why their support of arts and culture matters.
- Sunday, April 14** Want to start a conversation with school leaders about arts education? Use this [list of questions](#) to begin a dialogue.
- Monday, April 15** Schedule coffees with other local leaders in arts and culture to build your network of arts advocates.
- Tuesday, April 16** Attend the [ACCM Arts Summit](#) in Sacramento and network with likeminded statewide advocates.



- Wednesday, April 17** Bring your voice to Sacramento for [Arts Advocacy Day](#). Meet with your legislator and build support for the arts in San Diego.
- Thursday, April 18** Send a letter to [Governor Newsom](#) thanking him for supporting the arts in California.
- Friday, April 19** Dial into the California Arts Council monthly board [meeting](#) and make a public comment about how public support for the arts matters in our community.
- Saturday, April 20** Commemorate the 54th Anniversary of Chicano Park, a gathering place established through grassroots cultural advocacy. This year's theme: "Bringing Back the True Spirit and Energy of the Chicano Park Takeover". Visit <https://www.chicano-park.com/> for more information.
- Sunday, April 21** Grab a cup of coffee and pen a letter to the editor of your local newspaper advocating for greater public investment in arts and culture.
- Monday, April 22** Take your advocacy work national and [join](#) the Americans for the Arts Action Fund. It's FREE!
- Tuesday, April 23** Arrange an office visit with your California Assemblymembers by visiting the legislator's [website](#) and submitting a scheduling request. It takes time, so start now!
- Wednesday, April 24** Wondering how your organization can safely and legally engage in the voting process, particularly during this heated election year? Visit [nonprofitvote.org](#), the leading provider of nonpartisan resources to help nonprofits integrate voter engagement into their ongoing activities.
- Thursday, April 25** The [San Diego County Arts and Culture Commission](#) is celebrating its one-year anniversary and releasing its first strategic plan to the community. Come hear what's in store at a community networking event. It's FREE!
- Friday, April 26** Attend the [City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture Meeting](#) and make a public comment in support of ACCM.
- Saturday, April 27 - 28** [Mission Fed ArtWalk](#) will give you a new appreciation of visual artists and why our advocacy to protect and preserve the work of artists is important. Get out and get inspired for two full days.
- Monday, April 29** Secure a time on your board agenda meetings to report on the status of arts-related advocacy developments. Create a culture of advocacy within your organization.
- Tuesday, April 30** Change starts with advocacy. Join the movement and become a member of [San Diego ART Matters](#) and [California for the Arts](#).