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**TORRANCE ART MUSEUM ANNOUNCES AN ULTRA!
ADVENTUROUS SUMMER SCHEDULE
JULY 17 - AUGUST 28, 2021**



TORRANCE, CA (June 2, 2021) – The Torrance Art Museum (TAM) proudly presents the schedule for the Summer 2021 exhibitions, beginning with an adventurous new community-based public art exhibition called *Ultra!* from July 17 through August 28, 2021.

Torrance Art Museum serves as the hub station for the exhibition, which features more than 20 artworks from some of the region's most exciting contemporary artists in accessible locations throughout Torrance. Sculpture, installation, video projection, and interactive experiences are among the works that visitors will find in various parks, storefronts, schools, and government buildings.

The current roster of Ultra! artists include: Luciana Abait, Richard Ankrom, Badly Licked Bear, Joshua Beliso, Reed van Brunschot, Juan Capistran, Ana Carolina Estarita-Guerrero, Fallen Fruit, Finishing School, Jeff Frost, Narsiso Martinez, Julie Orser, Matthew Pagoaga, Esther Ruiz, Abram Santa Cruz, Sonja Schenk, Allison Stewart, Jan van der Ploeg, Dan S Wang, Glen Wilson, and Yarn Bombing LA.

On Saturday, July 17 at noon, the public is invited to celebrate the **Ultra! Kickoff & Museum Reopening Ceremony** with a thrilling afternoon of events. It begins with a dedication in front of the museum of a mural at TAM designed by artist Jan van der Ploeg. Afterwards, a series of durational and interactive performance art will take place by artists Yozmit, Zac Monday, Mary Anna Pomonis, and Justin Stadel. Additionally, an engaging drive-through / walk-through sculpture park by High Beams Project will occur in the Cultural Arts Center Parking Lot from 12pm-3pm. No reservations are required. Check the TAM website for updates and details.

Ultra! includes more performances at the TAM on Saturday, August 21 at 3pm, featuring artists Ibuki Kuramochi and Beck + Col with Tetiana Sklyarova and Kayla Aguila.

An Ultra! guidemap is available as a handout in print and viewable on the TAM website, giving the location of all the artworks and activity sites. Visitors can tour the Ultra! exhibition sites by walking, driving, or bus.

The Torrance Art Museum building hosts three indoor exhibitions. The Main Gallery will feature works by some of the Ultra! artists, providing a wonderful complement to the outdoor exhibition.

TAM Gallery Two hosts ***Even Sparkles Have Shadows***, an exhibition that dazzles the viewer with colorful, playful, radiant images - at first glance. Closer examination reveals a curious undertone of hidden meaning and darker stories beneath their glittering veneer. Curated by Jason Jenn, it features artwork by Michael Craig Carrier, Zāra Monet Feeney, Chuck Hohng, David Hollen, Stevie Love, Haleh Mashian, Ken Gun Min, and Alison Ragguette.

TAM Dark Room hosts ***Seconds to Last***, a solo exhibition by Cynthia Minet. It features an illuminated inflatable sculpture made of repurposed camping tents that brings attention to the nearly extinct Northern White Rhinoceros.

TAM Summer Exhibitions are on view from Saturday, July 17 - Saturday, August 28, 2021.
Ultra! Kickoff & Museum Reopening Ceremony on Saturday, July 17 at 12pm.
More Ultra! performances on Saturday, August 21 at 3pm.

As always TAM is free and accessible to the public. There will be some new procedures in place to keep all physical visitors to the museum safe and secure.

All programs, schedules, and locations are subject to change. For the latest information on Ultra! and other museum programming, please visit [TorranceArtMuseum.com](https://www.torranceartmuseum.com).

Torrance Art Museum:

Founded in 2005, the Torrance Art Museum is the premier visual art space to view contemporary art in the South Bay. The museum encourages all people to develop and increase their understanding and appreciation for modern programs, artist talks, lectures, and symposia. Through its emphasis on contemporary artistic expression in Southern California and globally, the Torrance Art Museum brings together visual artists and community members; fosters experiences in the arts to strengthen creative and critical thinking skills; and builds bridges between the visual arts and other disciplines in the humanities and sciences. Torrance Art Museum is a program of the City of Torrance Cultural Services Division of the Community Services Department.

For more information visit www.TorranceArtMuseum.com or call 310-618-6388

Museum Hours:

Tuesday - Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Admission to the Torrance Art Museum is Free.

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