



# County of Monterey

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 26-057

Adopt a resolution designating April 2026 as Arts, Culture, & Creativity Month, and recognizing the Arts Council for Monterey County as the county's official local arts agency....

WHEREAS, in 2019, the California Legislature adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 33 proclaiming every April as Arts, Culture, & Creativity Month; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey recognizes that arts, culture, and creativity are key drivers of economic vitality, contributing to job creation, small business growth, cultural tourism, and the overall competitiveness of our region; and

WHEREAS, investment in arts and culture enhances downtown corridors, enriches public spaces, and attracts visitors, residents, and businesses seeking a vibrant cultural identity; and

WHEREAS, arts education and creative workforce pathways prepare students and emerging professionals with critical skills in innovation, collaboration, and problem-solving that underpin Monterey County's future economic success; and

WHEREAS, Monterey County's unique blend of coastal beauty, agricultural heritage, and cultural diversity makes arts and culture vital in promoting the region as a destination for visitors, enhancing quality of life for residents, and sustaining economic growth for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, the Arts Council for Monterey County leads efforts to advance the arts through programs, partnerships, and the community-building initiatives such as enriching visual and performing arts education programs, specialized arts as healing programs and funding and support for local artists, arts nonprofits and cultural organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Arts Council for Monterey County partners with the major state-level arts agencies such as California for the Arts, CREATE CA, and California Arts Council; and

WHEREAS, this collective work at the local and regional level and throughout the state encourages racial equity, uplifts our community, and changes our lives for the better; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors on behalf of all the County and its residents, thereof, hereby recognizes April 2026 as Arts, Culture, & Creativity Month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the Arts Council for Monterey County as the official local arts agency. The County of Monterey supports the Arts Council for Monterey County in its goals, thereby enabling it to seek funds from federal, state, and local entities and other private sources to help support its projects and initiatives.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026

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