

# SAN JOSE MUSEUM OF ART

## SJMA ANNOUNCES PROGRAMS FOR FALL 2021

For Immediate Release

San José, California (September 30, 2021) — The San José Museum of Art (SJMA) announces a new season of in-person and online public programs for fall. Highlights include an artist talk between world-famous artists Hito Steyerl and Trevor Paglen; a museum lecture about the life of artist Sonia Gechtoff; and the return of Art 101: Booze + Brushes in a new online format. Upcoming programs that are fun for the whole family include SJMA's annual Día de los Muertos celebration at Community Day, Third Thursday: Holiday Edition, and free First Fridays.

SJMA also invites the public to attend the opening of two brand new exhibitions at First Fridays, *Beta Space: Trevor Paglen* on November 5 and *Our whole, unruly selves* on December 3. Free admission for everyone starting at 6pm.

Learn more about SJMA's upcoming programs and events in October, November, and December at [sjmusart.org/calendar](http://sjmusart.org/calendar).

### October

#### [First Friday + CityDance San José](#)

**Friday, October 1, 2021; 6–9pm. Free admission**

Join us for an evening of art in the Museum and open-air dancing at the Circle of Palms Plaza.

#### [Artists in Conversation: Hito Steyerl and Trevor Paglen](#)

**Tuesday, October 12, 2021; 12pm PDT, online. Free, registration required.**

Watch a conversation between artists Hito Steyerl and Trevor Paglen.

#### [Community Day: Día de los Muertos](#)

**Saturday, October 23, 2021; 11am–6pm, in-person free admission;**

**12–2pm online at [twitch.tv/sanjosemag](https://www.twitch.tv/sanjosemag) and [facebook.com/SJMAG](https://www.facebook.com/SJMAG).**

Celebrate Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) with live entertainment, cultural demonstrations, and an eclectic mix of artmaking experiences. Note: these experiences happen online only. Visit the Museum to celebrate with free admission. Presented with San José Multicultural Artists Guild (SJMAG).

### November

#### [Lunchtime Lecture | Sonia Gechtoff: Abstractions and Icons](#)

**Wednesday, November 3, 2021; 12pm PDT, online. Free, registration required.**

Take a closer look at the life and works of abstract expressionist Sonia Gechtoff with Rachel Middleman, associate professor of art history at CSU, Chico.

**[First Friday | Beta Space: Trevor Paglen Opening Reception](#)**

**Friday, November 5; 6–9pm. Free admission.**

Celebrate the opening of Trevor Paglen’s first sound commission.

**[Third Thursday with Mosaic America](#)**

**Thursday, November 18; 6–7pm PDT, online. Free.**

Mosaic America returns to SJMA.

**December**

**[First Friday: Our whole, unruly selves Celebration](#)**

**Friday, December 3; 6–9pm. Free admission.**

Celebrate the opening of *Our whole, unruly selves*.

**[Art 101: Booze + Brushes](#)**

**Friday, December 10; 6–7pm PDT, online. \$15 (\$10 for SJMA members).**

Enjoy an inspiring evening of painting based on works in the exhibition *Break + Bleed*.

**[Third Thursday: Holiday Edition](#)**

**Thursday, December 16; 6–7pm PDT, online. Free.**

Celebrate the holidays online with SJMA!

**Other Opportunities**

Special offers for reduced admissions include the Bank of America Museums on Us free first weekend for Bank of America cardholders. For more special offers available at SJMA, go to [sjmusart.org/special-offers-and-discounts](https://sjmusart.org/special-offers-and-discounts).

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**SAN JOSÉ MUSEUM OF ART**

SJMA is located at 110 South Market Street in downtown San José, California. The Museum is open Friday through Sunday, 11am to 6pm and until 8pm or later on the first Friday of each month. For up-to-date information about SJMA, visit [SanJoseMuseumofArt.org](https://SanJoseMuseumofArt.org). Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and free to members, college students, youth and children ages 17 and under, and school teachers (with valid ID). For more information, call 408.271.6840 or visit [SanJoseMuseumofArt.org](https://SanJoseMuseumofArt.org).

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