

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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### SELA ARTS FOUNDATION

(A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation)

## ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation is the SELA Arts Foundation.

# ARTICLE II.

- A. This corporation is a nonprofit public benefit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for public and charitable purposes.
  - B. The specific purposes of this corporation are to:
- 1. To engage and carry on charitable, educational and literary activities.
- 2. Without limiting the foregoing, the specific purposes of the corporation are:
- (a) to encourage activities and promote education in the field of art, including but not limited to visual and performing art, and the promotion and advancement of the culture of the communities including but not limited to those communities located in southeast area of Los Angeles County by assisting, supporting, supplementing, aiding, augmenting, promoting, providing and advancing artistic, cultural, literary and educational activities, programs and initiatives.
- (b) to aid, endow, assist or otherwise promote and forward the work of artists, cultural groups, schools or art and cultural institutions in any way or manner that is compatible with the purposes of the corporation.
- (c) to promote art and culture through reading and education materials including the publication of literary material such as books, brochures, and other publications regarding the vitality and diversity of arts in the southeast area of Los Angeles County and Los Angeles County in general;
- (d) to receive gifts and grants, to use such gifts and grants, proceeds of such gifts and grants, and income from the investment of such gifts and grants, or to make distributions thereof, for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and as may be deemed necessary or convenient to carry on the work and/or the purposes of this corporation.

- (e) to provide funding for the construction, management and/or operation of buildings and/or facilities as may be deemed necessary or convenient to carry on the work and/or purposes of this corporation or as may be authorized by law.
- (f) to purchase or otherwise acquire, hold and dispose of property (real or personal) and to rent and use such property and construct buildings and equipment thereon as may be deemed necessary or convenient to carry on the work or purposes of this corporation or as may be authorized by law.
- (g) to operate facilities that provide spaces for artists and others to engage in artistic and cultural activities and/or provide art and culture education, instruction, exhibitions and outreach to the community;
- 3. To engage in any and all lawful activities incidental to and in pursuit of the foregoing purposes, except as restricted herein.

## ARTICLE III.

A. The name and address in the State of California of this corporation's initial agent for service of process is:

Roxanne Diaz 350 S. Grand Avenue, 37th Floor Los Angeles, California 90071

B. The initial address of this corporation is:

SELA Arts Foundation c/o Roxanne Diaz 350 S. Grand Avenue, 37th Floor Los Angeles, California 90071

### ARTICLE IV.

- A. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- B. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of lobbying or propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; this corporation shall not participate or intervene in (including publishing or distributing statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

#### ARTICLE V.

- A. The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes. No part of the net earnings or assets of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any of its directors, trustees, officers, private shareholders or members, or to any private individual.
- B. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to one or more nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation that is organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes that benefit the residents of the southeast area of Los Angeles County and which has established its tax exempt status under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or to one or more of the municipal corporations located in the southeast area of Los Angeles County and/or the County of Los Angeles for public purposes, as selected by the corporation's board of directors in their sole discretion.

Dated: October 4, 2024

By: ANthony Rendow

I hereby declare that I am the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, which execution is my act and deed.

(Signature of Incorporator)