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The Center for Cultural Innovation Awards ARC Grants To 11 Los Angeles County Artists

The Center for Cultural Innovation (CCI) today announced eleven (11) recipients in the 2013 Third Quarter round of funding under its **ARC (Artists' Resource for Completion) grants program**, which is designed to enhance the careers of Los Angeles artists by enabling them to take the best advantage of imminent opportunities to present their work.

The ARC program provides rapid, short-term assistance to enhance work for a specific, imminent opportunity that may significantly benefit an artist's career. CCI took over administration of the ARC program from the Durfee Foundation in January 2011. The Durfee Foundation and the Center for Cultural Innovation are excited to partner in continuing to make this important and vital resource available to L.A. artists. With the extension of the ARC program for a final five rounds of funding in 2013 and 2014, CCI is pleased to focus on artists who have never received an ARC grant and would be "first-time" ARC grantees.

The following eleven (11) Los Angeles County artists received 2013 Third Quarter ARC grants:

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- **David Bridel** (Theater)
- **Jeff Cain** (Visual Arts)
- **Kevin Cooley** (Multidisciplinary)
- **Nova Jiang** (Media Arts)
- **Flora Kao** (Visual Arts)
- **Jennie Liu** (Dance)
- **Shana Mabari** (Visual Arts)
- **Nicole Mitchell** (Music)
- **Suzan Pitt** (Media Arts)
- **Clarissa Tossin** (Visual Arts)
- **Amanda Yates Garcia** (Multidisciplinary)

"We are extremely pleased to support this excellent pool of Los Angeles County artists and first-time ARC grantees, and to recognize the significance of their contributions to the community," said CCI President and CEO Cora Mirikitani.

The ARC grants program was established by the Durfee Foundation in 2000 in an effort to provide a dedicated resource for individual artists living in Los Angeles County. Over the last decade, the ARC program has had an extensive impact on the Los Angeles arts community, helping advance the careers of nearly 600 individual artists, working in all disciplines.

About CCI: The Center for Cultural Innovation (CCI) was founded in 2001 as a California 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Its mission to promote knowledge sharing, networking, and financial independence for individual artists and creative entrepreneurs by providing business training, grants, and incubating innovative projects that create new program knowledge, tools, and practices for artists in the field.

For more information about the Center for Cultural Innovation and the ARC grants program please go to CCI's website at www.cciarts.org