

What is Haunting History? Help Us Develop Our Next Play!

By: Kevin Foster

We have a major event coming up that I am very excited for -- a preview of our next play, *Ghosts of Placer County*! Last year, we wrote and produced our first local history play, which focused on the railroad roundhouses of 1905-1908. This year, we are developing *Ghosts of Placer County*, which follows the relationship of a mother and daughter over 30 years as it shares both admirable and dark history, as well as local ghost stories, from ten Placer County population areas.

Ghosts of Placer County is a dark comedy about how individual and community history haunts us and how we haunt history to define ourselves. I find it to be both delightful and poignant -- the actors, myself included, laughed so hard that we cried at the initial table read of this work!

We want your feedback to help develop this new play! I invite you to join us at Haunting History June 23 & 29 to celebrate our region, enjoy comedy, refreshments, and live music, meet the actors, maybe win some door prizes from local businesses, and help fund the upcoming world premiere of *Ghosts of Placer County*!

I hope every one of you will feel Placer County Proud!

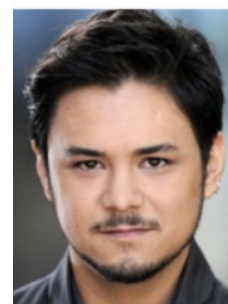
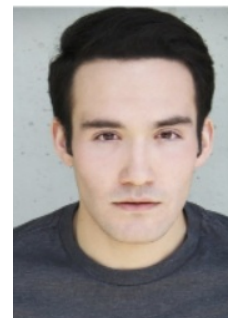


Haunting History on Broadway World!

<https://www.broadwayworld.com/thousand-oaks/article/HAUNTING-HISTORY-Comes-to-Placer-Repertory-Theater-20220603>

Anne Merino Stars in Ghosts!

<https://www.broadwayworld.com/sacramento/article/Anne-Merino-Stars-In-Placer-Reps-HAUNTING-HISTORY-20220615>



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Tickets to the June 23rd & June 29th stage readings are available on Eventbrite.com! Audiences have the opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions to support this work's development! Donations are also welcome for those who you aren't able to make it to our Haunting History event.

Tickets to performances of Haunting History, since it benefits play development and production at Placer Rep a 501(c)3 nonprofit, should be tax deductible.



**Lincoln June
23**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/haunting-history-lincoln-tickets-354408935667>



Donate Here!

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**Rocklin June
29**

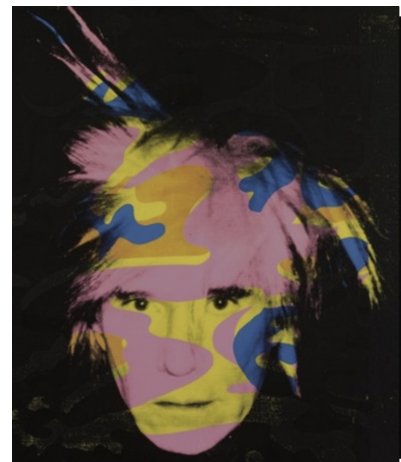
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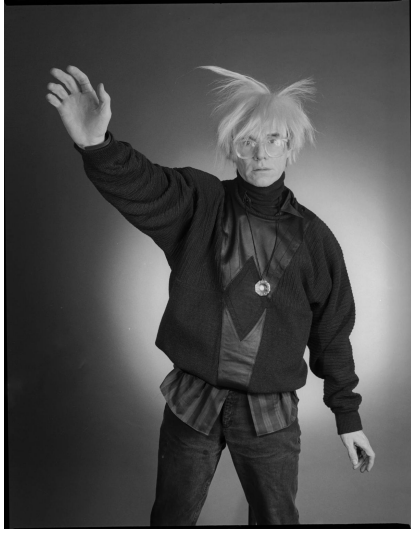
The Facets of Andy Warhol

By: Kevin Foster

As we look forward to our next COLLABoration LAB on June 22 on the theme Prismatic Views-- which encourages participants to examine the various facets of works, roles, and the self--I'm reminded of Andy Warhol's body of work. His exploration of various artistic mediums, his manufactured public persona, as well as his silk screening process, help epitomize this theme. This ability to reproduce the same image with different treatments can evoke multiple primary moods and, accordingly, highlight copious facets of one subject.

Warhol's automation of creative product, as well as the aspects of his works which are emblematic of the overlap between commercialism and inventiveness, immortalized him in the world of sixties kitsch and, in turn, influenced pop art itself. Please enjoy the following links to see some of his works:





Walker Art's Profile of Warhol

<https://walkerart.org/collections/artists/andy-warhol>



Silk Screening in Action

<https://www.sfmoma.org/watch/andy-warhol-makes-a-silkscreen/>

New Poetry Out Loud Champion

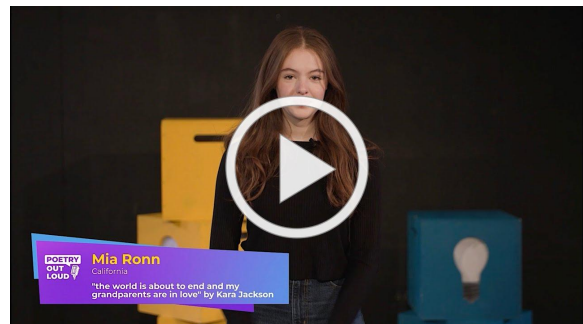
By: Teresa Stirling Forsyth

California's own Mia Ronn, a junior at the Archer School for Girls in Los Angeles, is the 2022 Poetry Out Loud National Champion, and the recipient of a \$20,000 prize.

You can read more on the National Endowment for the Arts' website, and view her winning recitations on their Youtube channel.

[Full Article Here](#)

<https://www.arts.gov/news/press-releases/2022/mia-ronn-california-named-2022-poetry-out-loud-national-champion>



Jon Batiste's 'We Are' Wins Album of the Year at 2022 Grammys

By: Kathryn Carner

Oscar winner and band leader of The Late Show Jon Batiste was awarded 5 Grammy Awards, including Album of the Year.

In 2020, during the protests following the murder of George Floyd, Batiste performed on the steps of the Brooklyn Public Library as part of the Juneteenth celebrations. Batiste recently married, and will portray Grady in an upcoming film adaptation of *The Color Purple*.

Jon Batiste at the TIME100 Summit



<https://time.com/6184347/jon-batiste-time100-summit/>

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