



Kay Kimpton Walker to be Honored at California College of the Arts 2018 Gala

CCA recognizes Walker's years of service to the college and support of art and design in the Bay Area at the annual benefit for student scholarships

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San Francisco, CA—April 11, 2018—California College of the Arts is pleased to announce Kay Kimpton Walker as the 2018 honoree at its annual gala, CCA's People Party, to raise funds for student scholarships and recognize an outstanding member of the community. Walker has served on the college's Board of Trustees since 2006 and chaired or co-chaired seven gala fundraisers. Thanks in part to her dedicated leadership, these galas raised over \$4 million for CCA scholarships—helping hundreds of students access a world-class arts education.

This year's gala, co-chaired by **Cathy Podell** and **Stanlee Gatti**, will showcase Walker's commitment to supporting those around her. The evening's remarks will be delivered by Walker's daughter and **Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jennifer Egan**. An exhibition of alumni art, curated by Tanya Gayer (MA Curatorial Practice, Visual and Critical

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Studies 2016), will feature works by Dalia Anani (MFA Social Practice 2013), Patricia Leal (Sculpture 2017), Dionne Lee (MFA 2017), Weston Teruya (MFA, MA Visual and Critical Studies 2007), and Ann Weber (MFA 1987). The décor by **renowned San Francisco event designer Stanlee Gatti** will create an ambiance of refined elegance and sophistication for the evening's celebration. Notable sponsors of the 2018 CCA's People Party gala are **Brooks & Danielle Walker, Jack & Susy Wadsworth, Diane Wilsey, and Arthur Gensler.**

About Kay Kimpton Walker

Kay Kimpton Walker owned K Kimpton Contemporary Art (formerly the Ivory/Kimpton Gallery) in San Francisco, from 1980 to 2006. She was an active member of SFADA (San Francisco Art Dealers Association) and its president in 1990 and 1991.

For many years she has been a passionate advocate for mental health issues. She chaired two fundraisers for Langley Porter Psychiatric Hospital and Clinics in San Francisco, and—with the help of many generous donors—founded a Fitness Center at McLean Hospital in Belmont, Massachusetts. Also at McLean, she redecorated Appleton House, a 30-patient live-in facility.

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She earned her BA from Vassar College.

CCA's People Party honoring Kay Kimpton Walker

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

Cocktails at 6:30pm | Dinner at 7:30pm | Program at 8:30pm

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Valet parking

Tickets can be purchased [here](#). | More info at: cca.edu/gala

Cocktail reception by Rye. Catering by Taste. Wine generously supplied by Peregrine Ranch, Vintap, and RMH—River Myst Haven.

About California College of the Arts

Founded in 1907, California College of the Arts (CCA) educates students to shape culture and society through the practice and critical study of art, architecture, design, and writing. Benefitting from its San Francisco Bay Area location, the college prepares students for lifelong



creative work by cultivating innovation, community engagement, and social and environmental responsibility.

CCA offers a rich curriculum of 22 undergraduate and 11 graduate programs in art, design, architecture, and writing taught by a faculty of expert practitioners, and attracts promising students from across the United States and from 55 countries around the world. Graduates are highly sought-after by companies such as Pixar/Disney, Apple, Intel, Facebook, Gensler, Google, IDEO, Autodesk, Mattel, and Nike, and many have launched their own successful businesses.

CCA is creating a new, expanded college campus at its current site in San Francisco that will open during the 2021–2022 academic year. Spearheaded by Studio Gang architects, the new campus design will be a model of [sustainable construction and practice](#); will unite the college's programs in art, crafts, design, architecture, and writing in one location to create new adjacencies and interactions; and will provide [more student housing](#) than ever before.

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