

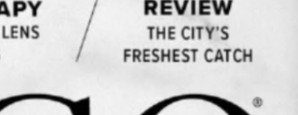


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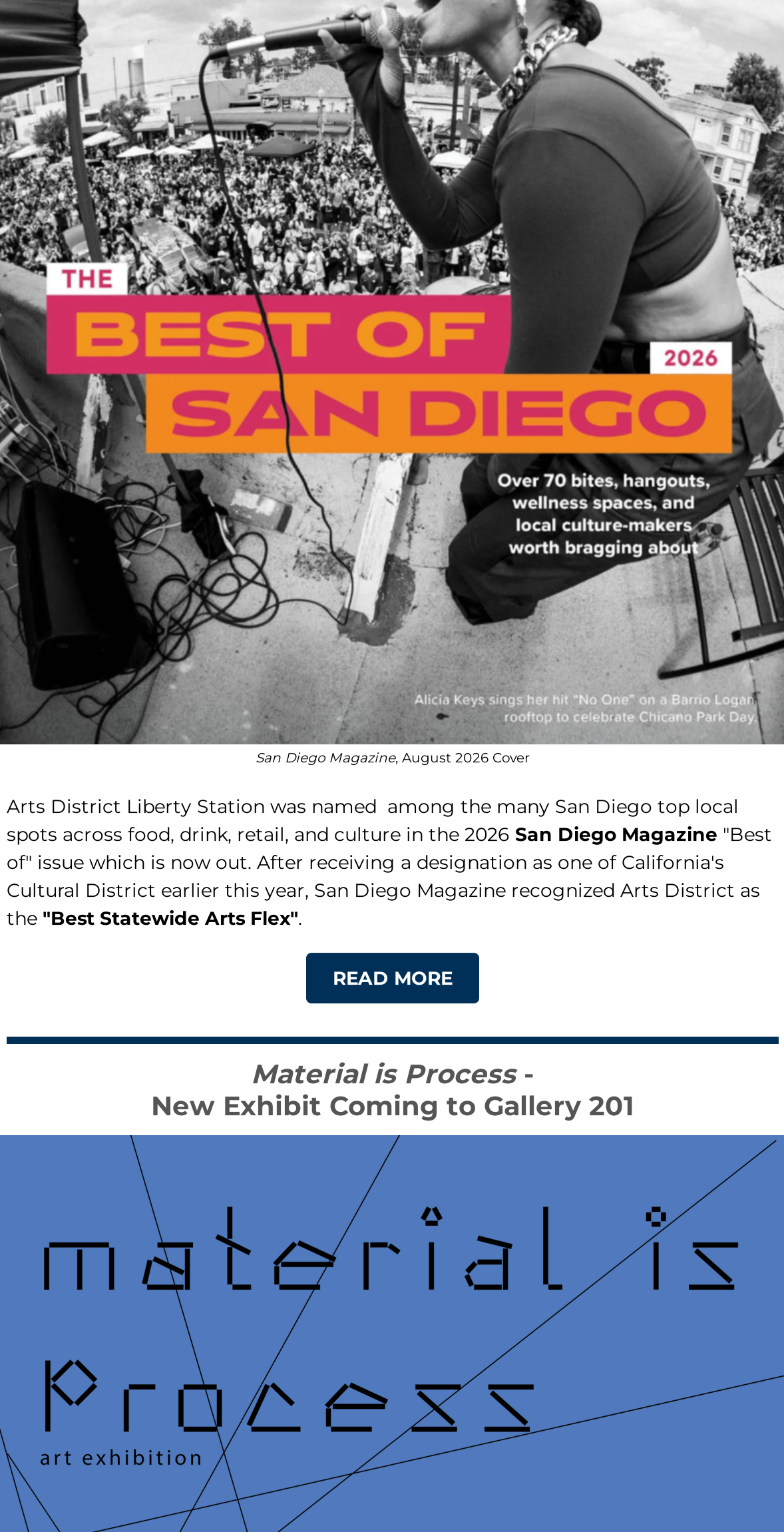
25th ARTS DISTRICT LIBERTY STATION

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Arts District Lands San Diego Magazine "Best Of" Nod



San Diego Magazine, August 2026 Cover

Arts District Liberty Station was named among the many San Diego top local spots across food, drink, retail, and culture in the 2026 **San Diego Magazine** "Best of" issue which is now out. After receiving a designation as one of California's Cultural District earlier this year, San Diego Magazine recognized Arts District as the **"Best Statewide Arts Flex"**.

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Material is Process - New Exhibit Coming to Gallery 201



Opening reception:
August 21, 2026, 4-6 PM
Gallery 201

Join us for the opening reception of ***Material is Process***, an exhibition showcasing artworks by artists [Audrey Gingras](#) and [Ana Saad](#) developed during their [Emerging Artist Residency](#), for Visual Arts at Arts District Liberty Station. This exhibition curated by Francisco Eme with The Front Arte y Cultura from Casa Familiar explores memory, transition, and play coming into form through touch. It considers studio practice not as a direct route toward a finished object, but as a physical, improvisational space where materials, bodies, accidents, and memories shape one another.

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First Friday at Arts District Liberty Station

First Friday is Friday, August 7th. Join our artists, galleries, and arts orgs for an evening packed with music, art, and community. Start your visit at the [opening reception](#) for *Figuratively Speaking* at The [San Diego Watercolor Society](#) before exploring one of [Visions Museum of Textile Arts](#) exhibits while enjoying some [local tunes](#). Visit the Barracks to meet artists like [Lisa E. Fine Art](#), [Susie Zol](#), [Artist Leslie Pierce](#), [JWL Art Designs](#), [Fatsip Studios](#) [Weston Rifle](#), [M. Fischbeck Studio Gallery](#). Get a crafty at [San Diego Craft Collective's Open House](#) and finish your night with a [spy thriller](#) at [Mockingbird Improv](#). Find a full list of activities at the link below.

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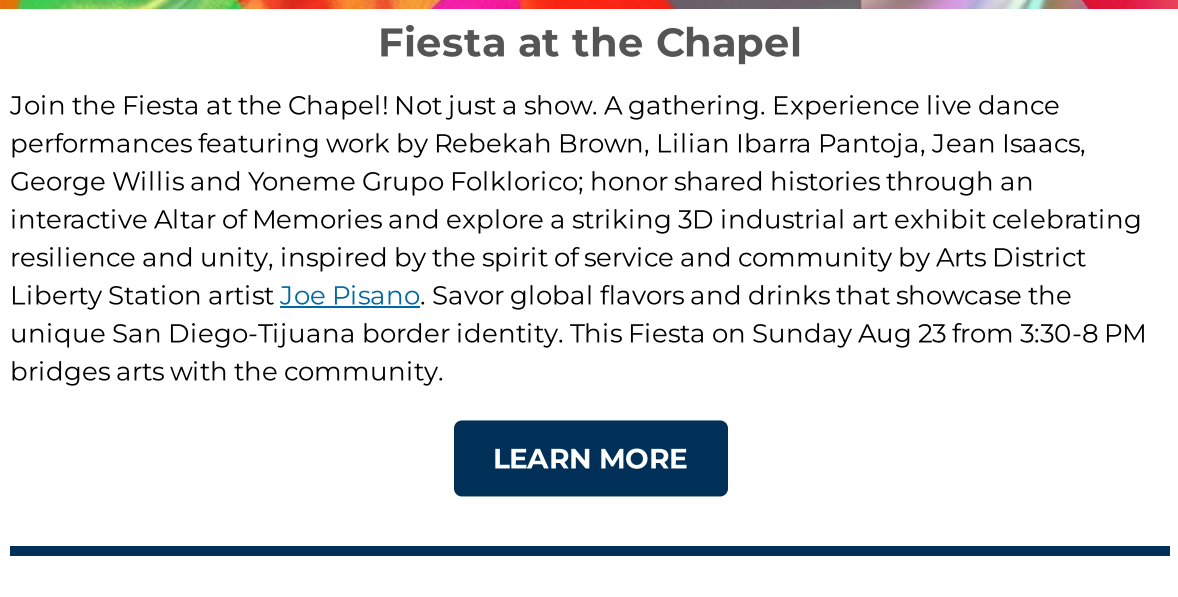
Celebrating 2 Years of Beatty-ful Art



Join [Nikusha Beatty](#) for her [2-year anniversary in Arts District Liberty Station!](#) On **Friday August 7**, stop by for a live painting experience followed by a Q&A with the artist. Nikusha will be using a unique technique combining drawing and painting. They will leave surprised by the use of new materials, spontaneous decision making, vivid color mixing, and achievement of a specific tonality and color harmony. Light refreshments will be served.

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26-27 Emerging Artist Residency Recipients Dance Arts



Welcome to our New Emerging Artist in Residency

We are happy to announce the new Emerging Artists in Residence for Dance Arts. Local (San Diego/Tijuana) artists [Aisha Reddick](#), [Diane Campaña](#), [Nick McGhee](#), and [Odessa Uno](#) have been selected to participate in our 11-month residency at Arts District Liberty Station. This residency is designed to uplift and empower local, developing artists by helping them create meaningful works, collaborate, and invite the wider community to engage with their practice. Stay tuned to follow their journey and upcoming events!

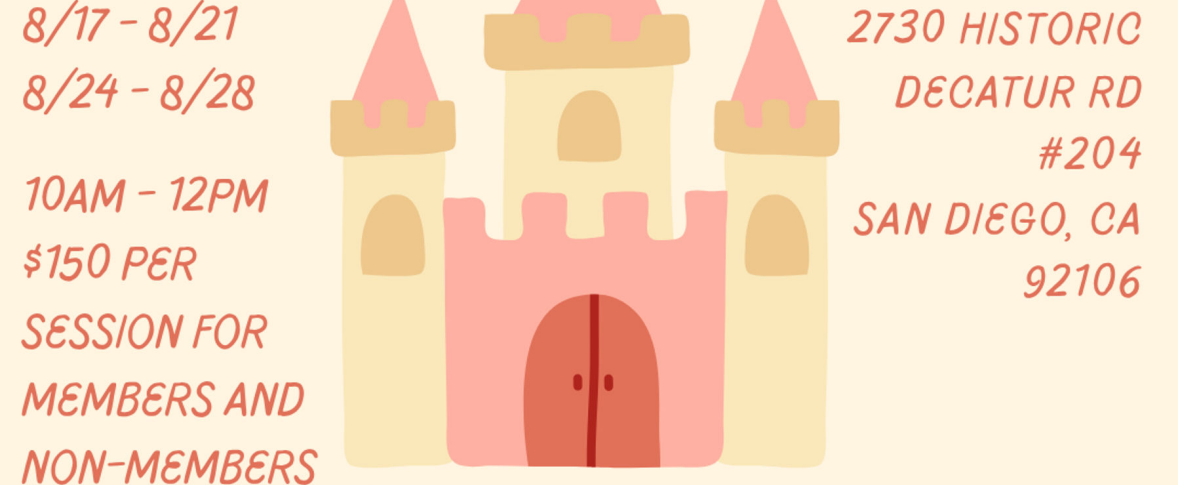
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Fiesta at the Chapel

Join the Fiesta at the Chapel! Not just a show. A gathering. Experience live dance performances featuring work by Rebekah Brown, Lilian Ibarra Pantoja, Jean Isaacs, George Willis and Yoneme Grupo Folklorico; honor shared histories through an interactive Altar of Memories and explore a striking 3D industrial art exhibit celebrating resilience and unity, inspired by the spirit of service and community by Arts District Liberty Station artist [Joe Pisano](#). Savor global flavors and drinks that showcase the unique San Diego-Tijuana border identity. This Fiesta on Sunday Aug 23 from 3:30-8 PM bridges arts with the community.

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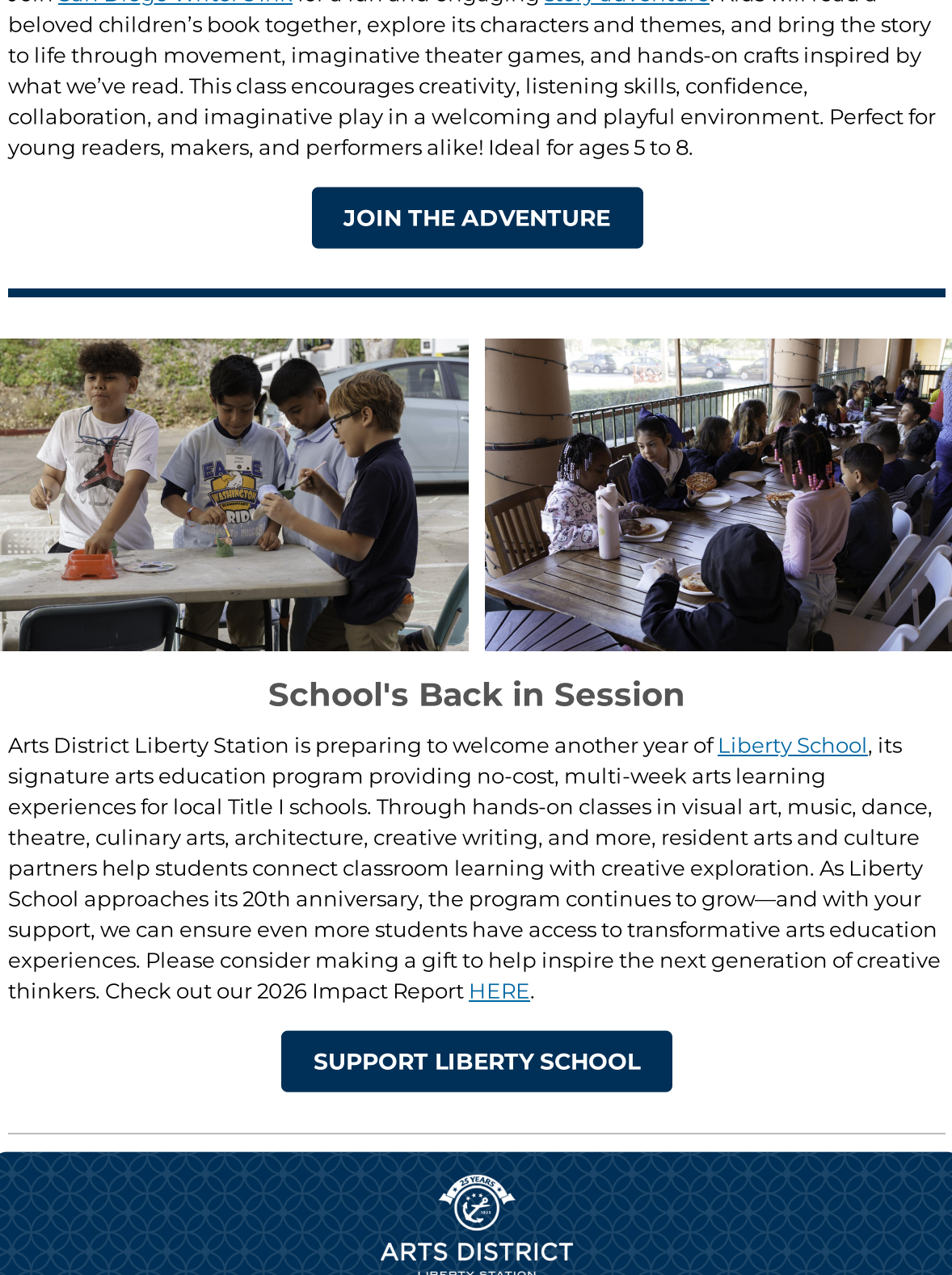


San Diego Made Endless Summer Market

Enjoy a great summer day outdoors at the [San Diego Made Summer Market](#) happening August 15 and 16 from 10 am-5pm. This family-friendly two-day outdoor festival celebrates the creative community and small businesses in San Diego with over 120 local vendors, live music, delicious food and drinks, crafts, photo ops, and more.

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San Diego Writer's Ink, Once Upon a Craft Camp



Join [San Diego Writer's Ink](#) for a fun and engaging [story adventure](#)! Kids will read a beloved children's book together, explore its characters and themes, and bring the story to life through movement, imaginative theater games, and hands-on crafts inspired by what we've read. This class encourages creativity, listening skills, confidence, collaboration, and imaginative play in a welcoming and skillful environment. Perfect for young readers, makers, and performers alike! Ideal for ages 5 to 8.

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School's Back in Session

Arts District Liberty Station is preparing to welcome another year of [Liberty School](#), its signature arts education program providing no-cost, multi-week arts learning experiences for local Title I schools. Through hands-on classes in visual art, music, dance, theatre, culinary arts, architecture, creative writing, and more, resident arts and culture partners help students connect classroom learning with creative exploration. As Liberty School approaches its 20th anniversary, the program continues to grow—and with your support, we can ensure even more students have access to transformative arts education experiences. Please consider making a gift to help inspire the next generation of creative thinkers. Check out our 2026 Impact Report [HERE](#).

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