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THE ARTEXCHANGE TO REOPEN DOORS OF ACRES OF BOOKS ONE LAST TIME

LONG BEACH, CA– By popular demand, the **ArtExchange (ArtX)** will be opening the doors of the historic **Acres of Books** one LAST time for a fundraiser on Saturday, August 28 from 2:00pm to 7:00pm. Located at 240 Long Beach Blvd, **Acres of Books** will be open for one final sale before construction begins on the new **ArtExchange** facility. Guests will be able to purchase one of the remaining **vintage crates** for \$25.00 and fill it with as many **books** as the crates can hold. There are still over 15,000 books on the shelves of **Acres of Books**, and guests will have full access to them.

Keynote speaker **John Thomas**, RDA member and local historic preservationist, will provide a history of the building's site at 3:00pm. Local bands and solo artists will busk for wooden nickels outside the building as a preview to **Summer and Music's (SAM) BuskerFest**, which will be beginning at 5:00pm in the **East Village** at First Street between Linden and Elm. Music and refreshments will be available inside our site. The ArtExchange is partnering for the event with **Summer and Music (SAM), ALIVE Theatre, Phantom Galleries, and Vayden Roi Galleries.**

For more information, log onto www.ArtExchangeLB.org

About the ArtExchange

The ArtExchange will support local and regional artists through the development of a premier visual arts center and connect diverse and cultural groups working to enrich the City of Long Beach. It will provide the community with opportunities to experience the arts and serve as a catalyst for the growth of the Long Beach arts community. It is our vision to have an innovative regional visual arts center that provides the public with unique access to artists, their work, and a slate of educational programs and will make a substantial impact on the creative ecology of the Long Beach area. The center is a public-private partnership between the ArtExchange, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, and the Long Beach Redevelopment Agency (RDA).

Links:

[Long Beach RDA](http://www.LongBeachRDA.org)
[ALIVE Theatre](http://www.ALIVetheatre.org)
[Summer and Music \(SAM\)](http://www.SummerandMusic.com)
[Phantom Galleries LB](http://www.PhantomGalleriesLA.com/long_beach/index.htm)
[Vayden Roi Galleries](http://www.vaydenroi.com)

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