



**MEDIA ALERT
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**DOWNTOWN LONG BEACH ALLIANCE AND ARTS COUNCIL FOR
LONG BEACH CELEBRATE DTLB UNFILTERED PHOTO CONTEST WITH
GALLERY EVENT AT COMMONGROUNDS WORKSPACE**

- WHAT:** DLBA and Arts Council for Long Beach will host gallery showing of the 20 finalists for the DTLB UNFILTERED photo contest launched during the month of this past October. Additionally, announcement of the four Viewfinder category awards will be made.
- WHO:** Griselda Suarez, Executive Director of the Arts Council for Long Beach
Kraig Kojian, President & CEO, Downtown Long Beach Alliance
Photo Finalists
The community is invited to participate.
- WHEN:** Saturday, December 8, 2017
5:00PM – 7:00PM
- WHERE:** CommonGrounds
145 W. Broadway
Long Beach, CA 90802
- WHY:** DTLB UNFILTERED is a signature public art program and Downtown's first photography contest that will archive the cityscape through the lenses of its residents and visitors. Contest participants acted as envoys providing their take on five photo submission categories: people/place, events, architecture, environment, and skyline. Submissions were made October 1-31, 2018. A panel of judges selected five photos from each category as finalists, and then one finalist from each category as a Viewfinder award recipient. The gallery event is to showcase the finalists photos to the community and award the Viewfinders.
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About DLBA: The Downtown Long Beach Alliance is a non-profit, community-based organization whose mission is to cultivate, preserve and promote a healthy, safe and prosperous Downtown. By balancing the interests of the residents, as well as businesses, the DLBA creates tangible progress by way of vested interest and solidified partnerships across local, municipal, and commercial lines. For additional information, visit www.downtownlongbeach.org.

The **Arts Council for Long Beach** is a private 501(c) 3 non-profit organization that promotes, advocates for and helps fund the arts. Our mission is to foster creativity and culture, enliven communities and enable a thriving creative economy.