

Anderson .Paak to Perform at LACMA's 2019 Art+Film Gala**Ninth Annual Gala on Saturday, November 2, 2019 Honors Betye Saar and Alfonso Cuarón****Co-Chaired by Eva Chow and Leonardo DiCaprio and Presented by Gucci**

(Los Angeles, October 17, 2019) The Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA) announced today that acclaimed singer, rapper, and producer Anderson .Paak will perform at the 2019 Art+Film Gala honoring artist Betye Saar and filmmaker Alfonso Cuarón. Co-chaired by LACMA trustee Eva Chow and actor Leonardo DiCaprio, this celebration of art and film will take place on Saturday, November 2, 2019. Gucci provides generous support to LACMA for the ninth consecutive year as the presenting sponsor of the annual event. For the second year, additional support for the gala is provided by Audi.

“Anderson .Paak’s sound brings together a soulful variety of music styles including R&B, hip-hop, and dance,” said Eva Chow. “Anderson is one of the most versatile and dynamic artists of our time, and we’re so pleased that he will be performing at this year’s Art+Film Gala.”

About Anderson .Paak

Born Brandon Paak Anderson in Oxnard, California, the artist honed his musical chops playing drums in his church band as a teen. While glimpses of his extraordinary talent were evident in his first incarnation as Breezy Lovejoy, it was fully realized in his transformation into Anderson .Paak, with his debut album *Venice* (2014) and a stellar

six-song run on Dr. Dre's certified Gold *COMPTON* album that led to the release of his acclaimed sophomore release, *Malibu* (2016). In 2016, .Paak won the Grulke Prize at South by Southwest, the Soul Train Music Award's Best New Artist, and Album of the Year at Gilles Peterson's Worldwide Awards in London. Later in 2016, as part of the duo NxWorries with collaborator/producer Knxwledge, came the release of the album *Yes Lawd!*, which reached #3 on *Billboard's* Top R&B/Hip-Hop chart.

In 2017, he established the nonprofit organization .Paak House, committed to creating safe havens for the next generation and cultivating alliances with like-minded nonprofits for a greater united impact. .Paak's third album *Oxnard* (2018) marked a career high for him, debuting as the #1 Independent Album in the Country according to *Billboard*. Following the album's release, .Paak played a sold-out tour in both the U.S. and Europe. .Paak won his first Grammy for Best Rap Performance in 2019.

More recently .Paak released his newest album *Ventura* in April 2019. The tour to support the album included his first Madison Square Garden headline show and 24 other stops across the US and Canada.

Art+Film Gala

The Gala Host Committee are outstanding patrons, visionaries, and leaders from the worlds of film, art, music, and fashion. The 2019 Art+Film Gala Host Committee includes Host Committee Chair Alessandro Michele, H.E. Sheikh Fahad N. Al Thani, Regina and Gregory Annenberg Weingarten, Ambassador Nicole Avant and Ted Sarandos, Willow Bay and Robert Iger, Allison and Larry Berg, Marlyn and Robert Day, Jami Gertz and Tony Ressler, Salma Hayek and François-Henri Pinault, Jeffrey A. Hirsch, Bobby Kotick, Dana Norris and Steve Tisch, Viveca Paulin-Ferrell and Will Ferrell, Lynda and Stewart Resnick, Julie and Bennet Roberts, D'Rita and Robbie Robinson, Irene and Joe Roth, Wendy and Eric Schmidt, Elizabeth Segerstrom, Susan and Eric Smidt, Laura and Casey Wasserman, Elaine Wynn, Jeff Yabuki and Gail Groenwoldt.

At the 2018 Art+Film Gala, more than 850 prominent guests celebrated the achievements of artist Catherine Opie and filmmaker Guillermo del Toro. The evening included a lively musical performance by Beck as well as a special menu prepared by renowned chef Joachim Splichal of Patina. Last year's Art+Film Gala raised more than \$4.5 million, with proceeds supporting LACMA's film initiatives and future exhibitions, acquisitions, and programming.

For more information about the 2019 Art+Film Gala tickets and table sales, contact artandfilm@lacma.org or 323 857-4770.

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