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THREE THOUSAND PEOPLE ATTEND ART ON THE WATERFRONT EVENT AT THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES

The First-Annual Event is a Huge Success Featuring Art Exhibits and Performance Artists



425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731 Tel: 310/732-3508 After 5:00 p.m.: 310/732-3500 **SAN PEDRO, Calif.** – Three thousand people enjoyed the first annual Art on the Waterfront festival that took place at the Port of Los Angeles on Saturday, April 29. The festival included more than 40 artists displaying and selling their art, interactive art installations in 20-foot cargo containers, dance performances, chalk artists, an artist-led children's activity tent, and skateboard demonstrations.

"We're thrilled with the response to our pilot festival. The response was very positive from a lot of different constituencies," said Nathan Birnbaum, executive director of Angels Gate Cultural Center. "We are already planning for next year's festival with many of the same events as this year, but with some exciting additions."

In addition to the activities of the Art festival, more than 1,200 people enjoyed free rides on the Port's Waterfront Red Car Line, a 1.5-mile vintage trolley line connecting attractions along the San Pedro waterfront. Restored and replicated Pacific Electric Red Cars were designed to serve the area with both transportation and enjoyment purposes.

Art on the Waterfront was sponsored by the Angels Gate Cultural Center, San Pedro Arts Association, the Port of Los Angeles, Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn, the City of Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department and the City of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department.