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City of Ontario  
Ontario Museum of History & Art

## **Culture Fest 2023**

In conjunction with the quarterly Ontario Art Walk, the Ontario Museum of History & Art is excited to present Culture Fest 2023, which will be held May 20, 2023 from 6 – 9pm. The event is an evening-long celebration through the arts of the different cultural experiences that exist within Ontario's diverse community. Enjoy live performances, an interactive public art installation, artist vendors, food trucks, art-making activities, exhibitions, and more.

Culture Fest will thematically focus on water, in celebration of the opening of the Museum's new permanent exhibition, *Built on Water: Ontario and Inland Southern California*. Five years in the making, the exhibit focuses on the history and future of water in the Ontario region, and brings together the story of local water agencies, regional tribes, agriculture, water conservation, and the establishment of the City of Ontario.

Additionally, Culture Fest will feature public artist Luciana Abait's large-scale immersive video projection installation, *The Glass Wall*. Originally featured in 2022 as a part of LUMINEX 2.0 in downtown Los Angeles, the artwork draws attention to water as a resource, and the realities and metaphors involved in the struggle to control it. The video will be projected onto the northwest façade of the Ontario Museum of History & Art, a historical landmark originally built in the 1930s as Ontario's City Hall.

A roster of performers, varying from a Tongva performance by Motivating Action Leadership Opportunity (M.A.L.O.) and marionette puppetry, to a rendition of Handel's *Water Dance* by the Southland Symphony's brass quintet, will be featured. High school bands with the Southern California Percussion Ensemble will close out the evening.



Culture Fest is free and for all ages. It will occur from 6 PM – 9 PM on Saturday, May 20, 2023, at the Museum of History & Art, 225 S. Euclid Avenue, Ontario, CA 91762.

To learn more about Culture Fest, visit: [OntarioMuseum.org/CultureFest](https://OntarioMuseum.org/CultureFest).

**About the Ontario Museum of History & Art**

The Ontario Museum of History & Art is located at 225 S. Euclid Avenue, Ontario, California 91762. Gallery hours are Thursday, Noon to 8 PM, and Friday through Sunday Noon to 4 PM. NOTE: Starting December 1, gallery hours will change to Thursday and Friday, Noon to 4 PM, and Saturday and Sunday, 11 AM to 5 PM. Admission is free. For more information call (909) 395-2510, email [MuseumInfo@ontarioCA.gov](mailto:MuseumInfo@ontarioCA.gov), or visit [www.OntarioMuseum.org](http://www.OntarioMuseum.org). The Ontario Museum of History & Art is a public-private museum operated by the City of Ontario with support from the non-profit Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates.

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**About the City of Ontario**

The City of Ontario is enhancing the quality-of-life by creating urban lifestyle districts that create sustainable places to live, work and play. Located just east of Los Angeles and Orange counties, the City of Ontario is ideally situated as a gateway to Southern California. With major freeways, rail transportation and an International Airport, Ontario invites the rest of the world to be a part of a culturally diverse community with rich history that is well positioned for quality development and economic sustainability for its residents. Complementing its business and residential core, Ontario offers premium entertainment venues such as the Ontario Convention Center, Toyota Arena, and Ontario Mills. To learn more about the City of Ontario, visit [OntarioCA.gov](http://OntarioCA.gov) or call (909) 395-2000.

