

LACMA Surpasses \$750 Million Campaign Fundraising Goal

Construction of the David Geffen Galleries Passes the Halfway Mark, As Peter Zumthor–Designed Building Spans Wilshire Boulevard



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(Los Angeles, CA—August 22, 2023) Michael Govan, CEO and Wallis Annenberg Director of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, announced today that the *Building LACMA* campaign has reached and exceeded its fundraising goal of \$750 million. The campaign is funding construction of the David Geffen Galleries, the museum’s new home for its diverse, global, and historic collections, which is now more than 65% complete and spans Wilshire Boulevard. In addition to the County of Los Angeles and David Geffen, major contributors to the historic public-private partnership include LACMA board of trustees co-chair Elaine Wynn, the W.M. Keck Foundation, LACMA’s board of trustees, and many other donors from a wide range of industries and creative communities. Among the series of generous gifts that put LACMA over the \$750 million goal, the largest was from LACMA trustee and major donor Steve Tisch. The David Geffen Galleries, which will be owned by the County of Los Angeles, is funded 80% by private donations and 20% by the County, representing a landmark collaboration.

“We have reached this milestone thanks to the extraordinary generosity and hard work of so many people,” Michael Govan said. “We offer heartfelt thanks to all those who propelled us to this achievement—from our trustees to first-time donors—and to LACMA’s countless supporters from every part of Los Angeles. The David Geffen Galleries will be not only a sublime new home for LACMA’s collections, but a testament to a remarkable wellspring of civic pride and an incredible gift to Los Angeles.”

Designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Peter Zumthor, the David Geffen Galleries will enable LACMA to present artworks from all eras and cultures on a single, inclusive, non-hierarchical plane, highlighting connections across time and place that are resonant with L.A.'s diverse populations. The building's design will also create 3.5 acres of new outdoor space for public sculpture, outdoor programming and events, and education activities, enhancing LACMA's role as a cultural center and gathering place for all of Los Angeles.

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Image captions: Exterior view southwest from Hancock Park, Pavilion for Japanese Art on the far right, rendering of David Geffen Galleries at LACMA, courtesy: Atelier Peter Zumthor/The Boundary; aerial view of the construction site of the David Geffen Galleries, July 2023, photo © Museum Associates/LACMA

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