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Artadia and Marciano Art Foundation Establish \$25,000 Award for Los Angeles Artists

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The nonprofit Artadia and the Marciano Art Foundation have joined forces to create the Marciano Artadia Award, which will be given annually to a Los Angeles-based artist. The inaugural prize, to be presented in March, will include an unrestricted grant of \$25,000.

The application period for the award runs through February 1, and it will be followed by a two-tiered jury process, with curators and artists serving as panelists. After six finalists are selected in the first round, second-round jurors will visit the artists' studios. The jurors will then select three artists as the 2019 Los Angeles Artadia Awardees, one of whom will be chosen as the recipient of the Marciano Artadia Award.



Olivia Marciano.
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This is Artadia's fifth year providing unrestricted prizes of \$10,000 to Los Angeles-based artists through its annual awards program. Three artists will receive unrestricted prizes of \$10,000. One will be named the Marciano Artadia Awardee with an additional \$15,000 in prize money.

Artadia's executive director, Carolyn Ramo, said in a statement, "Artadia is thrilled to partner with the Marciano Art Foundation. We share a common goal of supporting the diverse Los Angeles artistic ecosystem. As L.A. increasingly becomes a city for artists, we are pleased to be recognizing and providing vital funds and validation to the talent found here."

Olivia Marciano, artistic director of the Marciano Art Foundation and Artadia board member, added, "We are so excited to be partnering with Artadia through the new, annual Marciano Artadia Award, offering an unrestricted grant to emerging Los Angeles-based artists. It has always been essential to keep the L.A. art community at the center of everything we do at the foundation and, through this grant, we hope to offer a critical opportunity to help artists develop and grow."