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# MURAL DEDICATION



**"Oil, Life and Ecology"**

by Eva Cockcroft

**October 24, 1990**

**9:30 a.m.**

California National Guard Seventh Street Armory  
845 East Seventh Street  
Long Beach

Sponsored by

Long Beach Parks and Recreation Department

Long Beach Community Development

California National Guard

# Project Summary

The Long Beach Parks and Recreation Department, California National Guard and The City's Community Development Department congratulate artist Eva Cockcroft and her assistants Raymond Jackson, Celia Ko, Kenneth Leach and volunteer Alessandra Moctezuma for the mural entitled "Oil, Life and Ecology." The mural was produced through the Mural Mentor Project, part of the Parks and Recreation Department's Mural Arts Program. It is now enjoying its fifth year of producing public art for the community as part of the City's graffiti prevention effort. The Mural Arts Program, under the direction of Coordinator, Heather Green, is collaboratively sponsored by the Community Development and Parks and Recreation Departments. The project being dedicated today, is the first public art project to be produced on a California National Guard Site.

The goals of the Mural Arts Program are diverse and focus on reinforcing the development of youth participant's talents, self esteem, learning about the arts and positive ways to participate in the community while enhancing the neighborhood.

The Mural Mentor Project provides paid training for youths who possess artistic talent. These youth are then mentored by a professional artist to learn about mural production, community art history and the skills needed to produce their own temporary mural.

We would like to extend special thanks to The California National Guard and its staff for providing not only a mural site, but for the moral support and respect it provided the artists while working on this mural. We also appreciate the loan of scaffolding needed to produce "Oil, Life and Ecology" by the Social and Public Arts Resource Center of Venice, California.

This project exemplifies shared community involvement by the City of Long Beach, the California National Guard, and the greater Los Angeles area who are all striving together to positively strengthen community participation through the arts.

# Dedication Agenda

Welcome

Introductions

Formal Dedication of Mural

Remarks From Staff Artists

Closing Remarks

Reception Afterwards

Refreshments Served

*City of Long Beach, Department of Parks and Recreation,  
the California National Guard  
and  
the Long Beach Community Development Department  
cordially invite you to attend the mural dedication of*

*"Oil, Life and Ecology"*

*By Eva Cockcroft*

*The first community sponsored  
public work of art to be pro-  
duced on a National Guard  
site in California*



*Mural Dedication*  
*October 24, 1990*

*Ceremony begins promptly at 9:30 a.m.  
and concludes at 10:30 a.m.*

*California National Guard Seventh Street Armory  
854 East Seventh Street  
Long Beach*

*RSVP (213) 421-9431, ext. 3392  
before October 22, 1990*



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