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EVENT: Saturday, November 2, 2024, 6 - 8 PM Project Director: Margaret Prescod 323.646.1269 Event RSVP: Grace Montgomery 323.272.9413

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Reclaiming Our Sisters Everywhere (R.O.S.E) - Day of the Dead Remembrance Ceremony

Los Angeles, CA – <u>Black Coalition Fighting Back Serial Murders</u> presents <u>ROSE:SouthLA</u> with the first of a series of events memorializing the missing and murdered women and girls of South Los Angeles supported by a development grant awarded by California State Parks, the California Arts Council, and Parks California.

On Saturday November 2nd, from 6 - 8 PM, join us at the Big House at 180 East 35th Street Los Angeles, CA 90011 for a *Dia de los Muertos* remembrance ceremony with live music. Participants will contribute pictures and mementos to our community's ancestral altar and create flower garlands. Amplifying the Day of the Dead tradition as a cathartic practice, natural healing modalities will be offered.

For close to 40 years, the <u>Black Coalition Fighting Back Serial Murders</u> has worked toward recognition of and justice for the hundreds of South LA Black women and girls who were victims of a series of serial murders or who are missing and presumed to have been victims.

Reclaiming Our Sisters Everywhere (R.O.S.E):SouthLA joins 30 other organizations statewide in bringing cultural programming and art installations to neighborhood outdoor spaces. The full list of grantees can be found at https://artsincaliforniaparks.org/.

"These first-of-their-kind grants will bring community-centered art projects directly to the heart of local parks," said California State Parks Director Armando Quintero. "We hope these projects will foster a sense of pride and belonging, showcasing the unique stories and creative spirit that make our local parks cherished gathering places for all."

Please RSVP to Grace Montgomery to join our first ROSE:SouthLA event on Saturday, November 2, 2024, from 6 - 8 PM at the Big House. Visit https://rosesouthla.org/ to learn about future programs and how to join the memorial movement for the missing and murdered.