



## Santa Cruz County Women's Commission

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### THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY WOMEN'S COMMISSION ANNOUNCES AN OPEN CALL FOR WOMEN ARTISTS IN SANTA CRUZ

In honor of the 100-year anniversary of women's suffrage in the United States, the *Santa Cruz County Women's Commission* is commissioning artwork for their 2020 "Be the Voice" art wall exhibit.

100 years ago, our foremothers won a major victory with women's suffrage, but the struggle for equal representation goes on. The Commission has selected six vintage suffrage posters to be re-imagined with more diversity. The new posters will depict underrepresented groups, including women farm workers, transgender women, senior women, Latina women, LGBTQ women, and women with disabilities. All re-imagined posters will reflect the ethnic diversity of our County in addition to the specified representational theme.

The project will feature the work of six local women artists who will be selected to create the more inclusive posters. The exhibit will be on display in the County building during the 2020 election season and will feature the new images alongside the vintage posters that inspired them. Artists selected will be given a small honorarium to complete the commissioned work and will retain ownership of their original work after the exhibit.

If you would like to be considered for the project, please contact [commissions@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:commissions@santacruzcounty.us) for additional information, and include a link to your portfolio or examples of your previous work. Submissions will be accepted through 1/31/2020.

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