

Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

RECOGNIZING THE CULTURAL ARTS AND DIVERSITY RESOURCE CENTER
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ (UCSC) FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS
TO UCSC, THE ARTS, AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center (CADrc) at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC), is a pioneering theater program dedicated to the success and well-being of students, fostering an inclusive and vibrant campus community that promotes intercultural learning, innovation in programming, and personal growth; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center serves as a cultural bridge by bringing national theater productions to UCSC, including grassroots community theater as well as Broadway performances, enabling students, faculty, and the local community to experience award-winning performances and national trends in the performing arts; and

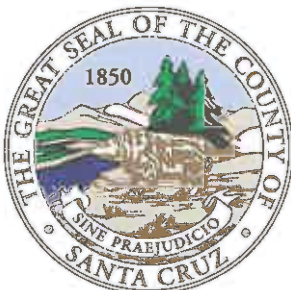
WHEREAS, through collaborations with high schools, community colleges, and local community leaders, CADrc plays an essential role in introducing theater to young people and encouraging them to pursue higher education, nurturing the next generation of scholars and artists; and


WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center provides invaluable professional experience to students by offering leadership opportunities, fostering teamwork, and encouraging strategic planning, decision-making, and attendance at professional conferences, preparing them for a future in various fields; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center promotes empathy and understanding by producing works that highlight the diverse histories and experiences of everyday people, creating a platform for the exploration of different perspectives and fostering a deeper appreciation for cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center includes Rainbow Theater and the African American Theater Arts Troupe (AATAT), two organizations that were founded over 30 years ago by students to represent stories often overlooked in mainstream media and classrooms, and which have grown to become pillars of UCSC's cultural and artistic landscape.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Felipe Hernandez, Chair of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, hereby recognize and commend the Cultural Arts and Diversity Resource Center for its outstanding contributions to UCSC, the arts, and the broader community.




Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

February 20, 2025

Date