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— GROUP OF FRESNO, CA —

STANDING ON THEIR SHOULDERS



Art Exhibit & Student Scholarship Opportunity

OCTOBER 9–10, 2026 | FRESNO CITY COLLEGE

Taste of Freedom Project and Clay Hands are pleased to announce the **Standing on Their Shoulders Art Exhibit**, taking place in conjunction with the *Standing on Their Shoulders* celebration at Fresno City College on October 9–10, 2026.

This special exhibit will give an opportunity for artists, students, families, and community members of all ages to share their creativity and artistic interpretations of the event's theme.

ART EXHIBIT

Artists of all ages are invited to submit original artwork that embraces the theme of "Standing on Their Shoulders." Entries may reflect the legacy, contributions, courage, leadership, sacrifices, accomplishments, culture, history, or inspiration passed from previous generations to those who follow.

We encourage artists to explore the many ways we stand on the shoulders of those who came before us—family members, community leaders, educators, activists, cultural icons, and everyday individuals whose lives and contributions have helped shape our communities.

All ages and artistic levels are welcome.



Artists will also have the opportunity to display and sell their artwork during the exhibit. This is an opportunity to showcase local talent while connecting with community members who value art, history, culture, and intergenerational storytelling.



STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

As part of the Standing on Their Shoulders initiative, two scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors.

Applicants must:

- ✓ Be a high school senior graduating in 2027
- ✓ Have a minimum 3.5 GPA
- ✓ Attend a high school in the Central Valley
- ✓ Demonstrate an understanding of, connection to, or appreciation for the values represented by the Standing on Their Shoulders theme.

The scholarships are intended to encourage and support the next generation of Central Valley students as they pursue their educational and career goals.

For specific information regarding student scholarship submissions, including paintings, sculptures, poetry, and other eligible artistic works, please contact **Timothy Padilla** at the **Downtown Artists Gallery** at (559) 304-3424.



SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

The names of the two scholarship recipients will be announced in **April 2027**.

Through this exhibit and scholarship opportunity, the Taste of Freedom Project seeks to connect art, history, education, and community while recognizing both the shoulders upon which we stand and the young people who will become the shoulders for generations to come.



We invite artists, students, families, educators, and community members to participate and help us celebrate the power of legacy, creativity, and possibility.



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