

Reopening Exhibition at City Hall

Opening the week of September 20, 2021

Artists in Community and at COVID Command

This exhibition will feature six artists that worked deeply within diverse communities during the pandemic.

Mabel Jimenez, S. Renee Jones, Ajuan Mance and Bo Rittapa were artists in residence at SF COVID Command Center from December 2020 – March 2021.

Yesica Prado and Felix Uribe were 2020 Bay Area Fellows with the local organization Catchlight.



SF COVID Command Artists in Residence

Only Artists in Residence in the nation working inside a citywide COVID Command operational headquarters.

The residents had unprecedented access to Moscone Center and various community operations.

Each resident created portfolios that will be submitted into the SFPL's COVID Community Time Capsule housed inside the official City Archive.

Mabel Jimenez





S. Renee Jones



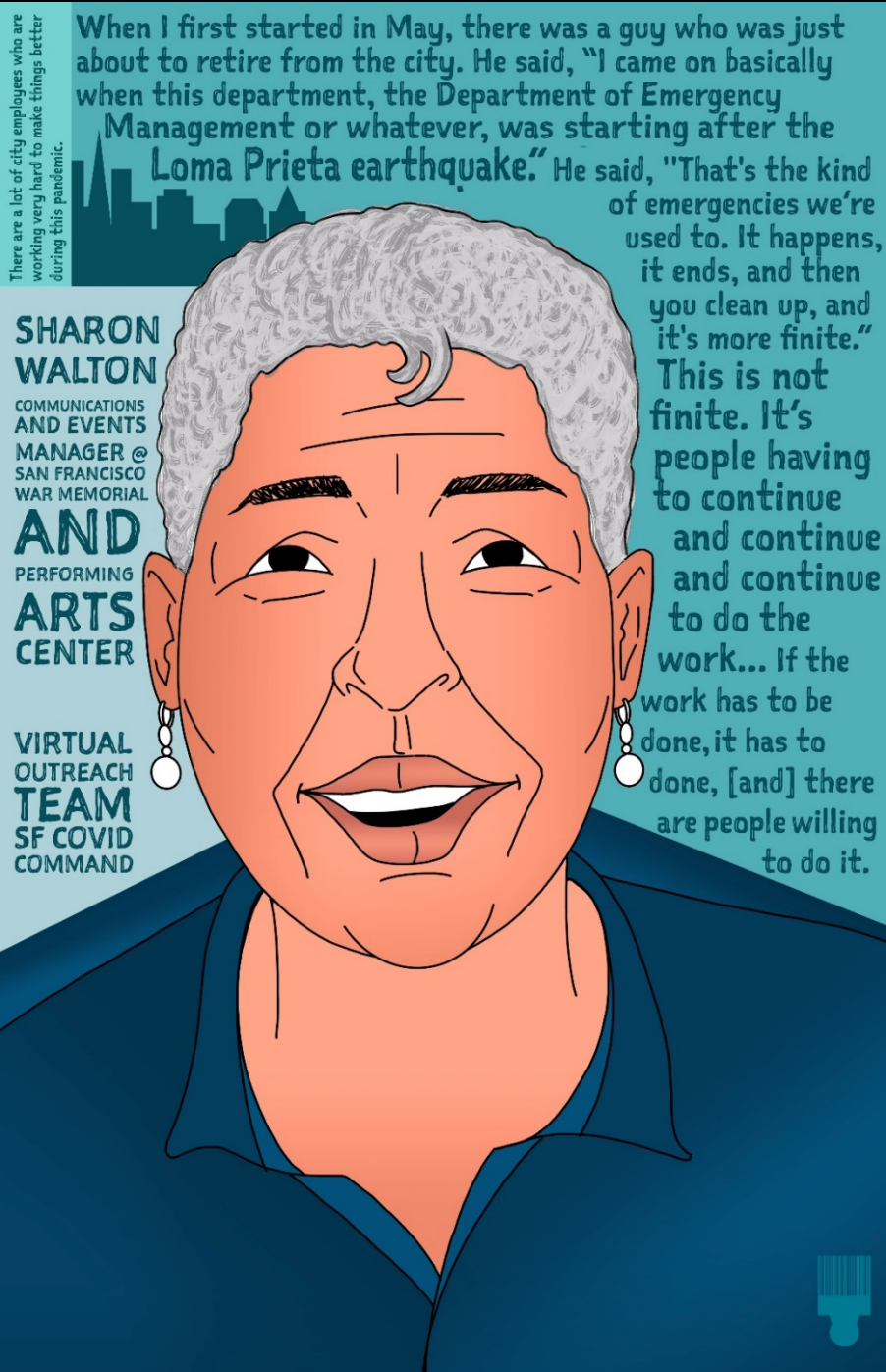


Ajuan Mance
&
Bo Rittapa

There are a lot of city employees who are working very hard to make things better during this pandemic.

When I first started in May, there was a guy who was just about to retire from the city. He said, "I came on basically when this department, the Department of Emergency Management or whatever, was starting after the Loma Prieta earthquake." He said, "That's the kind of emergencies we're used to. It happens, it ends, and then you clean up, and it's more finite." This is not finite. It's people having to continue and continue and continue to do the work... If the work has to be done, it has to be done, [and] there are people willing to do it.

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COMMUNICATIONS AND EVENTS MANAGER @ SAN FRANCISCO WAR MEMORIAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
VIRTUAL OUTREACH TEAM SF COVID COMMAND





Catchlight Local: 2020 Bay Area Fellows

CatchLight Local's pilot program fortifies community-engaged creative practices and to produce nuanced visual stories to better equip communities and policymakers to understand problems and pursue viable solutions. Paired with newsrooms including *The Salinas Californian*, *San Francisco Public Press* and *Bay City News Service*, selected Fellows work with communities on long-term visual stories representing how economic inequality affects their lives.



Yesica Prado: *Home is where your heart is...*



Felix Uribe: *Bay Area Equity Ripples*

