

TONY DELAP | A SURVEY OF WORKS: 1960s-2000s

7 MARCH - 4 MAY 2024



The Honarkar Foundation for Arts & Culture proudly presents “Tony DeLap | A Survey of Works: 1960s-2000s”.

Tony DeLap (b. 1927, Oakland, CA; d. 2019, Newport Beach, CA) was a pivotal figure on the West Coast and was at the nexus of significant art movements throughout his six-decade career. Recognized as a pioneer of West Coast Minimalism and Op Art, DeLap’s influence extended to the development of hard-edge painting, the California Light and Space movement, and site-specific installation.

This exhibition at The Honarkar Foundation features over fifty paintings, sculptures, and drawings, and offers an opportunity to witness the evolution of DeLap’s visionary oeuvre, from his pioneering “floating” sculptures of the 1960s to his mesmerizing explorations of form and illusion in the 2000s. Spanning decades, the exhibition highlights DeLap’s iconic geometric forms, meticulous craftsmanship, and intriguing optical illusions, offering insight into his early studies of perception and space, as well as his later explorations of color, shape, and material.

Tony DeLap’s influence extends far beyond his own artwork. As a founding faculty member and esteemed teacher at the University of California, Irvine, he inspired subsequent generations of artists and scholars, leaving an indelible mark on the contemporary art landscape. This exhibition not only celebrates DeLap’s remarkable achievements but also pays homage to his enduring legacy and ongoing impact on the art world.

EXHIBITION DATES: 7 March - 4 May 2024

OPENING RECEPTION: Thursday 7 March, 5-9pm

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ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

Founded in 2019, The Honarkar Foundation is a cultural organization dedicated to supporting and promoting arts, culture and education in Laguna Beach. The Foundation envisions a world where the arts and humanities are not exclusive privileges, but rather cherished resources that inspire, empower, and connect.

Launched in 2023 and situated within the historic former post-office building at 298 Broadway Street, our expansive 4,200-square-foot exhibition space is dedicated to showcasing a rotating series of curated shows, with a specific focus on Southern California artists. The space will also play host to a diverse range of public programming and collaborations, including performances, screenings and discursive events.

The Foundation's overarching mission is to create a welcoming and inclusive space where art becomes a conduit for dialogue, exploration, and community engagement. We aspire to enrich the communities we serve with free, public programming that is intellectually stimulating and that has creative, cultural, and educational value.

