



Message from the Executive Director

Dear Tulsans,

We're here together. I want to take a moment to thank everyone who has stayed home, supported local artists, and worked on the front lines during this unprecedented time. Since we announced a prolonged closure on March 16, ahha has sought to share joy and support creativity in the ways we could in this new normal. I'm proud to say that we've been able to continue to support working artists (although in a diminished capacity) and that none of our full-time or part-time staff have faced furloughs.

Back in March, we announced a closure through mid-May. That time is now here, and reopening as originally planned is not something we see as safe for our staff, guests, or artists. We want to be here keeping Tulsa creative for the long term. *As a result, ahha will remain closed through at least July 1.* In the meantime, our staff is working hard to ensure ahha will be safe and sanitary for everyone. This means increased cleaning, new ticketing procedures, and new ways to use art supplies once we reopen. We'll be wearing masks in all public areas of the building, and we ask that if you visit, you do the same. Each one of our supporters and staff is important to us and our community. By wearing masks, we'll help them feel safer to visit and do their jobs.

We also understand and respect the decision not to visit large public places in the near future. The decision to close was a wrenching one for many organizations Tulsans hold dear, and it's one that was made with public health in mind. Cultural attractions need public support now more than ever. Daily admission financially supports our staff, artists, and the programs we organize in the community; however, so do memberships and small donations. If you want to help ahha during this tough time and are able to do so, you can make a donation or become a member.

We'll continue to monitor the situation. As things evolve, so may our plans. Tulsa is strong, and ahha is proud to be part of its cultural fabric. Stay safe and well, and we'll see you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Holly".

Holly Becker
Executive Director