

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, promoting and prioritizing the arts and humanities is central to remembering history and inspiring creativity for today and tomorrow;
- WHEREAS, arts and humanities bridge diverse populations by helping create dialogue and understanding, as well as drawing out commonalities between people and cultures;
- **WHEREAS**, the City of Redmond's Arts and Culture Commission and Cultural Arts Program strive to make arts accessible to everyone in the community by providing unique arts and cultural experiences;
- WHEREAS, the Redmond Arts Studio encourages accessible and inclusive learning environments for artists of all levels and ages throughout the City and actively fill gaps in public art education;
- WHEREAS, the City continues to build a high quality of life in Redmond through the Redmond Poet Laureate and Artist in Residence Programs, the public art program, and the cultural and artistic performances at community events;
- **WHEREAS,** Redmond is a dynamic city where art is intrinsic to its character, and where public and private sectors work together to create art, cultural spaces, and visual public art;
- WHEREAS, the City invests in artists and arts organizations through grants, partnerships, and commissioning public art, and Redmond is proud to see cultural arts organizations grow and strengthen Redmond's cultural, creative, and economic vibrancy; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN MARCHIONE, Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim October 2019 as

ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

and encourage residents to participate in city, non-profit, and private venue cultural arts programs that can be found on ExperienceRedmond.com.

John Marchione, Mayor

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