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## An Invitation from Mayor Jean Quan

Dear Jean,

The [Art & Soul Festival](#) is a symbol of downtown Oakland's renaissance and a great entertainment value that sizzles with two music-packed days featuring Jazz, Rock, Gospel, Latin, R&B, Acoustic and Blues performed by national recording artists and top local talent on four stages!

- Youngsters will love the kid-friendly carnival rides, interactive art projects, face painting and roaming costumed characters.
- Stroll through the Artisan Marketplace, sample exotic foods and tasty treats from a multicultural menu and view great art.
- The Bay Area's coolest festival, has direct transit access by BART, AC Transit, the free Broadway shuttle on Saturday and free parking for thousands of cars.
- Afterwards enjoy one of our [hot new uptown restaurants](#) or the [great regional cuisines of nearby Chinatown](#).

Bring your family and friends and meet me at Art & Soul. **See below for money saving coupons for the festival and other Oakland attractions. My staff, volunteers, and I will have our own booth at 14th & Clay.** Please stop by and say hello!

*Jean*

## This Weekend