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FARMWORKER JUSTICE TO RECOGNIZE SOCIAL JUSTICE LEADERS AT ITS 2019 LOS ANGELES AWARDS

Los Angeles, CA – Farmworker Justice will host its 2019 Los Angeles Awards recognizing the social justice impact of four nationwide and community leaders at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24 at Studio-MLA in Los Angeles.

Farmworker Justice’s events provide an opportunity to bring together supporters and contributors from the business, legal, government, and nonprofit communities to report and highlight its important work. They also serve in recognizing individuals, businesses and other organizations that have demonstrated leadership, commitment, dedication and sacrifice to address the ongoing plight that farmworkers face each and every day in America.

Farmworker Justice President Bruce Goldstein will provide keynote remarks on the state of farmworkers in Los Angeles and California. Bel Hernandez and Naibe Reynoso, television hosts for *The TrendTalk* TV Show, will serve as event hosts. Master Chicana artist and philanthropist Yolanda Gonzalez will feature exclusive paintings of her work for the silent auction.

This year’s honorees are *Paul Schrade*, longtime organizer and farmworker activist, The Dolores Huerta Award; *Barbara Carrasco*, Chicana artist, activist and muralist, Lifetime Achievement Award; *Jim Garrison*, President of Pacific Federal, Corporate Responsibility Award; and *Sophie Cruz*, nine-year-old immigration rights activist, Community Service Award.

“Farmworker Justice is pleased to honor four individuals, ranging in age from pre-teen to nonagenarian, who, each in his or her own way, have been fighting for justice for America’s farmworkers. We appreciate our volunteers from the entertainment industry and art world who are joining us to make the Los Angeles Farmworker Justice Award Reception a very special and memorable evening as well as an impactful contribution to the quest for justice for farmworkers in the fields, in the courts, in government agencies and in Congress,” stated, Bruce Goldstein, President of Farmworker Justice. “During the first half of the 20th century, Los Angeles County was the largest farm producer among counties in the U.S.; despite urbanization, the value of L.A. County’s agricultural products exceeds the entire farm production in three states.”

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WHAT:

2019 Farmworker Justice Awards

WHEN:

Wednesday, April 24, 2019, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Studio-MLA, 251 S Mission Road, Los Angeles, CA 90033
6 p.m. Reception
7 p.m. Dinner and Awards Program

EVENT HOSTS

Bel Hernandez and Naibe Reynoso, Hosts of *TheTRENDTalk* TV Show

HONOREES

Lifetime Achievement Award, *Barbara Carrasco*
The Dolores Huerta Award, *Paul Schrade*
Corporate Responsibility Award, *Jim Garrison*
Community Service Award, *Sophie Cruz*

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE:

Catie Waters

An All-Star Cast Reading in Honor of Dolores Huerta's 89th Birthday

DOLORES HUERTA: IN HER OWN WORDS

*Cast to be announced soon.

SILENT AUCTION:

Yolanda Gonzalez
Master Chicana artist and philanthropist

Founded in 1981, Farmworker Justice is a nonprofit organization that seeks to empower migrant and seasonal farmworkers to improve their living and working conditions, immigration status, health, occupational safety, and access to justice. For more information, please visit www.farmworkerjustice.org