Detach this page before mailing in your ballot.



Voting Instructions, March 2019

1. IF YOU WANT TO VOTE ONLINE, ignore this ballot and go to this link:

https://goo.gl/forms/GZHtlkZQR1Jk3VQA2

Continue here only if you want to fill out and mail in a paper ballot.

- 2. Print out the ballot.
- Fill out the Ballot Certification form, the second page of this document. This will be separated from your ballot in order to certify that you are a member in good standing.
 (Your member number is on your membership card. If you do not have your card, and do not know your number, send email to membership@theexiles.org)
- 4. Fill out the ballot by checking the box next to the candidates you wish to vote for, or provide a writein candidate, or vote None if you do not support the candidate.
- 5. Mail ONLY pages 2, 3, and 4 of this document to:

The Exiles PO Box 14338 San Francisco, CA 94114

The ballot must be <u>received</u> no later than Wednesday, March 13th, so be sure you mail it early enough to be received on time.

If you have any questions about the election or anything in this ballot, please contact <u>marilyn@theexiles.org</u>.



Ballot Certification, March 2019

This page will be removed from your ballot before the ballot is viewed or counted, to allow anonymity.

Your Member Number: (required, contact <u>membership@theexiles.org</u> if you don't know it):

Your Scene Name or Legal Name



Election Ballot, March 2019

Co-Coordinator (2-year term)		Treasurer	
	Keaolani		Pat
	Write-in:		Write-in:
	None		None
Membership Officer		Recorder	
	Meryl		Shayna Madel
	Write-in:		Write-in:
	None		None

ARTICLES CHANGE

The Exiles is run according to our Articles of Association. In order to make changes to these articles, the business group has to approve a change being put before the membership, and the membership must vote on the change. There is one Articles change being voted on this year, regarding the process for electing officers.

Essentially, this updates the section on voting to accommodate online voting, clarifies the process, adds candidate statements to the newsletter for contested offices, and removes the ability to nominate someone at the March program and for speeches at that program.

You can find the complete Articles of Association here: <u>http://theexiles.org/exilesarticlesandpolicies-april-</u>2017/

Please review the Articles changes on the next page, and vote here.

Do you agree to these changes in the Articles of Association?			
	Yes		
	No		

CURRENT VERSION:

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Absentee ballots are to be provided to the membership no later than March 10. In order to be counted in the election, the ballot must be returned by mail by 5:00pm Pacific Time two days prior to the March program meeting or, if a paper ballot, brought to the March program meeting. Any member who attends the meeting may turn in their absentee ballot OR vote in person but not both.

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