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KCCLA, Jeollanamdo co-present Flowing Wind, Blowing Waves

- A special exhibition highlighting *Sumukhwa* (Korean Ink Painting) and celebrating the 2025 Jeonnam International Sumuk Biennale

Celebrating the 2025 Jeonnam International Sumuk Biennale



Exhibition Title:	Sumukhwa Exhibition: Flowing Wind, Blowing Waves
Date:	September 26(Thursday) – October 31(Thursday), 2024
Opening Reception:	Wednesday, September 25, 2024 / 6:00 pm-8:00 pm
Location:	Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles Museum Art Gallery (2 nd FL) 5505 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036
Exhibition Presenters	Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles (KCCLA) & Jeollanamdo
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The Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles (KCCLA, Director Jung Sang-won), in collaboration with Jeollanamdo Province (Governor Kim Yung-rok), proudly presents the special exhibition, *Flowing Wind, Blowing Waves*. The exhibition will take place from **September 26th – October 31st, 2024** at the Korean Cultural Center's Art Gallery at 5505 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90036.

This exhibition, held in the U.S. for the first time, introduces the beauty and excellence of Korean ink painting to the American art scene. It also aims to promote the upcoming **2025 Jeonnam International Ink Biennale**, featuring 10 large-scale works from the Jeonnam Museum of Art that blend traditional and contemporary elements of Korean *Sumukhwa*.

Sumukhwa, translating to ink wash painting, embodies the harmony between nature and humanity, highlighting the depth of simplicity. This shared cultural heritage across Asia, particularly in Korea and China, will be featured in a diverse array of works. The exhibition showcases both traditional techniques and contemporary approaches, exploring themes of everyday life, spirituality, and expanded artistic expression.

The concept of saui (sketching the intention) in traditional Korean painting merges realism and abstraction, offering a dynamic interplay of energy (chi). The exhibition features work by ten prominent contemporary Korean artists, including Hur Jun, Huh Daljae, Jo Yongbaek, Kim Hodeuk, Laurent Grasso, Kim Sundoo, Kim Seungyoung, Kim Chenil, Jo Byeongyeon, and Kim Hyungjin.

Director Sangwon Jung stated, "This exhibition was planned to promote traditional Eastern ink painting and celebrate the forthcoming *2025 Jeonnam International Ink Biennale*. We hope visitors will immerse themselves in the unique lines and colors of Korean ink painting and that its charm will spread throughout the U.S., starting here in Los Angeles."

The opening ceremony will take place on **Wednesday, September 25th at 6:00 PM** at the KCCLA's 2nd Floor Art Gallery. Jeollanamdo's Vice Governor for Economic Affairs, Park Chang-hwan, will attend the ceremony, and a curator from the Jeonnam Museum of Art will provide an exhibition tour. The exhibition is open to the public and runs until October 31, 2024. /End/