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LEAGUE OF INDEPENDENT THEATERS ENDORSES ART CHANG FOR NYC MAYOR

New York, NY -- The League of Independent Theaters (LIT) has endorsed Art Chang as their #1 choice for the 2021 Mayoral election.

On Monday afternoon, LIT announced the endorsement with the following statement: “Chang reached out proactively to the League before the election began and has spoken directly to the issues impacting our community. Since our forum, he has been speaking out for our platform planks at other forums and joined the Arts Workers Rally on May 8. He advocates for restorative justice and a justice-centered budget. His experience as a small business owner and his service under 4 Mayors and 2 Governors give him the experience to be a passionate and effective advocate for the independent performing arts.”

Chang was the first candidate to release an Arts & Entertainment policy. Surprisingly, most candidates do not have an Arts & Entertainment platform on their website. The sector brings tens of billions of dollars into the city’s economy every year -- more than every major NJ & NY sports team combined -- and from film to TV, to theater, to visual art and more, art is one of our most unique and valuable exports. “New York City can’t come back until the arts & culture are back. That’s why it’s a core part of my platform. In addition to the nearly 100,000 Arts Workers that rely on this sector for employment, our hotels, restaurants, cab drivers, and more depend on the draw of Broadway and other cultural institutions to get tourists into their businesses,” Chang says.

The League of Independent Theaters has endorsed Shaun Donovan as their #2 choice, and Maya Wiley as their #3 choice, as well as candidates in every City Council race. The full LIT Voter Guide, released Monday, can be found here: <https://www.litny.org/mtc2021>

You can read Chang’s full Arts & Entertainment policy here: www.chang.nyc/arts-and-entertainment

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