

The Chinese Center of the San Francisco Public Library presents

THE ART OF PROTEST

EXHIBITION

On view September 11, 2021 through January 7, 2022

Chinese Center — Main Library, 3rd Floor




Left: Poster created circa 1970–71.

Right: Poster by Benny O'Hara,
San Jose, January 2017.



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This exhibit showcases reproductions of original silk screen political posters from the 1960s and 1970s through the present day collected by Sharat G. Lin in the San Francisco Bay Area.

The exhibit honors the 50th anniversary of the Great Poster Workshop at the University of California at Berkeley in May 1970, which was triggered by the killing of four students at Kent State University in Ohio. The original posters were created during mass protests and prolonged student strikes against the Vietnam War and the draft, for Black liberation and ethnic studies, and a variety of other struggles for social justice. Additional posters continue to be added, demonstrating that the artistic legacy of protest continues to be felt in the social movements of today.