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Dear Art Department Community,

We are shaken and horrified by the murder of eight people in Atlanta, including seven women, six of whom were of Asian descent. We denounce the anti-Asian racism and violence that has been growing across the United States. We recognize that many in our campus community have been directly subject to anti-Asian racism, harassment, and violence. We denounce violence against women and female-identified people. We recognize that many in our campus community have been subject to sexual and gender-based harassment and violence, which continue to pervade our society.

We recognize that what we can offer in moments like this is never enough. Building solidarity, reducing hate and violence, and creating communities of care require sustained commitment.

Campus resources for Asian and Pacific Islander students, staff, and faculty facing discrimination, harassment, or violence can be found here: https://equity.ucla.edu/know/resources-on-anti-asian-discrimination/

Campus resources for victims of sexual and gender-based violence can be found here: https://careprogram.ucla.edu/

Campus resources for emotional well-being can be found here: https://www.counseling.ucla.edu

In solidarity,
Art Department Faculty