Home is where the art is. UC San Diego is a home for art on the move, art that invites stillness, art by our community, and art that expands community beyond our boundaries. With the addition of the Strauss Family Meta Gallery in Triton Center, our campus broadens our vibrant arts ecosystem with an exhibition venue that will illuminate the edges of human ingenuity. It will create a new sense of home as it offers a new type of welcome to visitors from near and far seeking the experience of art in a destination.

What is a Meta Gallery? The Strauss Family Meta Gallery is designed to maximize interactions with art across the full spectrum of material possibilities, traditional and new. In two dimensions, through painting, drawing and photography. Three dimensions, through installations incorporating time, space and sound. Augmented reality, virtual reality. UC San Diego is a campus of creation.

The Strauss Family Meta Gallery produces innovative culture through its convergence of contemporary art with science, technology and culture. Cutting-edge work by global, emerging, mid-career, and established artists and collectives. While the space will be unique for the forms of art it facilitates, no less important is the substance of expression. Productive collisions of technologies will drive constructive conversations between diverse populations, subjects and creators.

Taking its place in a tapestry of world-class venues across our binational region, the Strauss Family Meta Gallery joins the Stuart Collection, Mandeville Art Gallery and the Joan K. Jacobs Healing Arts Collection at UC San Diego Health, among an array of campus art instances and experiences. Visitors will relish our new home for art alive in those who experience it.

At UC San Diego, we believe that what we don’t know today will forever change our tomorrows. Empowered by generosity and fueled by curiosity, we are unafraid to chase the unknown — to ask the questions no one has asked before and to push the boundaries of possibility. Together, we unite diverse people and unconventional perspectives to propel limitless impact. Because we know that when we come together, nothing is beyond us.
PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITY

Join us with a gift to support the Strauss Family Meta Gallery in Triton Center. Together with contributions from like-minded alumni, students, parents and friends, we’ll elevate the distinctions of our audacious and culturally remarkable campus to transform our world.

EXPERIENCING EXPRESSION

Art in the Strauss Family Meta Gallery will be displayed throughout four galleries plus a sculpture terrace, each focusing on different experiences with art — formal, immersive and a blend of modes customized to different themes and objectives for interpretation. The lobby will be both an entryway and a destination in itself, with sophisticated projection for art installations and presentations by visiting lecturers and curators. The two-story Street Front Gallery will be designed for permeability and welcome. Higher up, the Immersive Gallery will draw visitors more deeply into interactive art encounters. And the Formal Gallery will offer exhibitions combining various traditions and aims.

All of us are students of experience, with art the constant catalyst. Balancing wonder and reflection, the Strauss Family Meta Gallery will be as prominent in our community’s conception of a UC San Diego visit as our rising athletics program and cherished Birch Aquarium at Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

OUR CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY

UC San Diego seeks contributions in support of the Strauss Family Meta Gallery from Triton alumni and all those committed to facilitating access to thought-provoking, astonishing art — by members of our campus community, those touring the campus as visitors, and those drawn to campus specifically for the experience of this remarkable new space.

Significant donations to construction of the Strauss Family Meta Gallery in Triton Center may be recognized with a naming of an interior gallery. The location of the naming will be contingent on the size of gift and visibility of the named gallery.

Together with your philanthropic support for the Strauss Family Meta Gallery, we can continue to challenge convention, to be the place where education passes along a spirit of curiosity and boldness to question tradition.

The new Strauss Family Meta Gallery will unite our campus and community in the experience of diverse art — the kind that transforms perspective and inspires awe.

We invite to help us create a space that celebrates the spirit of artistic creation that permeates the Triton experience.

Learn more at advancement.ucsd.edu/triton-center.

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