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**CLAREMONT HERITAGE ANNOUNCES - *SUPERNOVA*
EXHIBITION | FEATURING Norma Tanega**

Saturday, April 6, 2019.

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm | Opening Reception | FREE



Claremont Heritage will present ***SUPERNOVA***, an exhibition featuring artwork by Norma Tanega on April 6, 2019 from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm. ***SUPERNOVA*** will feature paintings and mixed-media artworks that span several decades.

A lifelong artist and musician, Norma Tanega attended both Scripps College and the Claremont Graduate School, where she received her B.A. in art history and painting and her M.F.A. in painting and graphics. Upon graduation, Norma moved to New York City and earned a recording contract with Bob Crewe and the New Voice record label. Her debut album, *Walkin' My Cat Named Dog* (1966), spawned the single of the same name, which rose to #22 on the U.S. Billboard charts and reached #1 in England. Shortly thereafter, Norma was invited over for a U.K. tour and an appearance on *Top of the Pops*, where she met Dusty Springfield. Norma and Dusty formed a strong connection and Norma moved to England for several years. Tanega worked as a songwriter for both Dusty and her brother, folksinger, Tom Springfield. Moving back to Claremont in the early 1970s, Norma pursued a career in teaching, both as an adjunct professor in art at Cal Poly, Pomona and as an E.S.L., art appreciation, and music teacher at the Claremont Adult School. Throughout it all, Norma has remained an artist at heart and continues to create works of art in her Claremont home and studio, a modernist masterpiece designed by Foster Rhodes Jackson, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright.

SUPERNOVA will be hosted in the Ginger Elliot Conference and Exhibition Center, located just behind the Garner House in Memorial Park. The exhibition is free and open to the public and will feature libations and hors d'oeuvres. An accompanying DJ set in the Garner House courtyard by dj diA ("Radio Realness", "Cloud Villa" – KSPC 88.7FM) and multimedia slideshow will showcase Norma Tanega's musical career. All artworks in addition to CDs and other ephemera will be available for sale.

For more information about ***SUPERNOVA*** and Claremont Heritage please email info@claremontheritage.org, visit our website at www.claremontheritage.org, or call (909) 621-0848.

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