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INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED ARTIST "ZHU" TO HEADLINE CHINATOWN NIGHT MARKET AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

SAN FRANCISCO – Mayor-elect Daniel Lurie today announced live performances for the Chinatown Night Market and Community Celebration, set to take place on January 8th, 2025 as part of the inaugural day celebration. The festival will feature live performances headlined by internationally acclaimed artist and San Francisco native, ZHU along with an opening DJ set from renowned artist DJ Ruckus.

"I'm excited to mark this historic moment of change with a community-led celebration in Chinatown. When Chinatown does well, we all do well," **said Mayor-elect Daniel Lurie**. "This event is for every San Franciscan who wants to be part of turning around our great city. I hope to see you all there."

The Chinatown Night Market celebration, co-hosted by the inaugural committee and BeChinatown, will highlight San Francisco's vibrant cultural and artistic scene, providing a platform for local artists, restaurants, and small businesses. The inaugural event underscores the important role nightlife plays in the city's revitalization and San Francisco's long-standing reputation as a hub for creativity and culture.

"As we work to bring nightlife back to our city, events like the Chinatown Night Market celebrate our rich diversity, support local entrepreneurs, and showcase the creativity that makes San Francisco unique," **said Mayor-elect Daniel Lurie**. "Events like these are critical to revitalizing our economy and public spaces, and in reclaiming our status as a worldwide destination for arts and nightlife."

The <u>nightlife</u> scene alone employs 40,000 workers and generates \$5 billion annually in economic activity, while nonprofit arts organizations contribute <u>\$1.7 billion</u> and support 36,000 full-time equivalent jobs. By fostering initiatives like the Chinatown Night Market, the Mayor-elect aims to rebuild the city's creative and economic foundation, bringing residents and visitors back to San Francisco's iconic neighborhoods.

"The Chinatown Night Market and Community Celebration is a testament to the resilience, creativity, and cultural richness of our community," **said Lily Lo**, **BeChinatown President and Co-Founder.** "This event showcases the best of Chinatown's vibrant spirit while supporting local businesses, artists, and entrepreneurs. We're thrilled to partner with the Mayor-elect to create an experience that not only celebrates our heritage but also brings renewed energy to San Francisco's cultural and economic revival."

The special night market inaugural event will run from 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM on January 8th along Grant Avenue between Sacramento and Jackson Streets.

ZHU



Grammy-nominated electronic artist and producer ZHU is renowned for his electronic music and immersive performances. A San Francisco native and St. Ignatius College Preparatory graduate, ZHU has performed at top music festivals worldwide, including Coachella and Lollapalooza, and is one of the most prolific electronic music producers in the world.

DJ Ruckus



Hailed as one of "the most sought-after DJs in the world," DJ Ruckus has been a staple in the global music scene for over a decade. DJ Ruckus plays upwards of 180 shows a year, including his Las Vegas residencies, is a regular at top nightclubs, and frequently performs at festivals around the world. In 2012, DJ Ruckus joined Run-DMC as a touring member of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame band.

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Daniel Lurie is the Mayor-Elect of the City and County of San Francisco.