

## Chumash Land Acknowledgement

Before we begin today, we feel it's appropriate to acknowledge that our event is being held on the land of the first people of our area – the Chumash people. The Chumash have occupied this land since time immemorial. Their connection to the land is deeply rooted – from the native plants, to the sacredness of the mountains to the ocean. Historically, Chumash land stretched as far north as Paso Robles, as far south as Malibu, as far inland into the San Joaquin Valley, and included beautiful areas, such as the location of today's event.