

2026 EAA OFFICER ELECTION CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Rosie Lee Hooks

Running for **Unit Council MOU 20 (4 Seats Available, Term Expires 2029)**

Candidate Statement:

I am petitioning to run for the office of UNIT COUNCIL for MOU 20. I have been with the City of Los Angeles, Department of Cultural Affairs for 30 plus years. I am currently the Director of the Watts Towers Arts Center Campus, a role I have held for approximately 24 years.

Before coming to the Department of Cultural Affairs, I was in management in Washington D. C. First with Educational Projects Inc, then University Research Corporation, and lastly, the Smithsonian Institution, where I produced the African Diaspora Program of the Festival of American Folklife. This festival celebrated the bicentennial of the United States of America. Under the signature of Henry Kissinger, then Secretary of State, I traveled under Official Passport to delivered the official invitation from the Smithsonian Institution, the United States of America's National Museum, to Ministers of Culture in Africa, South America and the Caribbean.

I am interested in working toward equity and equitable treatment for employees of MOU 20.

Thank you for your consideration.