

**Creating Community through Celebration** 

## **California Revels Land Acknowledgement Statement**

California Revels offices are located on unceded traditional Lisjan Ohlone land.

We are guests here and wish to acknowledge and pay respect to the Lisjan Ohlone Chochenyo-speaking peoples in the territory of Huchiun, and to their elders and Tradition Bearers past, present, and emerging, who continue cultural and spiritual connections to this region.

This is their homeland and they are the traditional custodians of the land on which we work and perform, and we recognize their continuing connection to the land, water, and air that California Revels consumes.

This acknowledgment is part of the education and inclusion we must practice in recognizing our institutional history, responsibility, and commitment. By offering this Land Acknowledgement, we affirm Indigenous sovereignty and will work to hold California Revels accountable to the needs of Native American, First Nations, and Indigenous peoples.

We hope that our greater community will read this statement and join us in the work to acknowledge and honor the original owners of this land.

While this Land Acknowledgement is not enough, and only a start, it is an important social justice and decolonial practice that promotes indigenous visibility as well as a reminder that we are on settled indigenous land.

We recognize and support the sovereignty of **Ohlone** nations, for historic Indigenous communities in California, for Indigenous individuals and communities who live here now, and for those who were forcibly removed from their homelands.

The California Revels community looks for opportunities to participate in the furthering of land awareness, paying of land tax, honoring the **Ohlone** culture, and participating in rematriation work.