

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## ROE AT 46: *A Night of Resistance + Stories of Resilience*

**WHAT:** Honoring the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision, NCJW | LA hosts an engaging program exploring abortion access from 1973 to today. Hosted by Tony Award winning actor/activist, L. Scott Caldwell, the program will feature true stories from the Women's Reproductive Rights Assistance Project and Shout Your Abortion. Experts will address abortion access challenges faced by individuals and clinics. The program will be followed by opportunities to take action on policy, engage in a community art project, and participate in reflection and sharing.

"For every single day of the 46 years since the Supreme Court declared that a person has a legal right to choose an abortion, opponents have actively fought to take this right away," said Selina Vazquez, Event Chair. "Thousands across the country are already living without access to basic reproductive care and, unless we ACT, that number will continue to grow. Roe at 46 will engage the Los Angeles community on what we can do to guarantee reproductive freedoms."

**WHO:** Community members, media, educators, policy experts, activists

**DETAILS:** Wednesday, January 23, 2019  
6:30-9:00 pm  
NCJW | LA Council House  
543 N. Fairfax Ave, Los Angeles, CA, 90036  
Free parking available in lot off of Clinton Ave.

### SPEAKERS:

**Host:** L. SCOTT CALDWELL, *Actor and Activist;*

**Featured Speakers include:** MYRA GISSEL DURÁN, *Policy Advocate, The SIA Legal Team,* NOURBESE FLINT, *Policy Director and Manager of Reproductive Justice Programming, Black Women for Wellness,* MARISOL FRANCO, *Associate Director of Programs, California Latinas for Reproductive Justice,* ADITI FRUITWALA, *Staff Attorney, LGBTQ, Gender & Reproductive Justice Project, ACLU of Southern California,* HAYLEY PENAN, *Staff Attorney, National Health Law Program,* CELINDA VAZQUEZ, *Vice President of Public Affairs, Planned Parenthood Los Angeles and Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project;*

**Featured Facilitators include:** Lili Bernard, *Artist and Activist,* Rachel Donaldson, LCSW, *Psychotherapist, Mindfulness Facilitator, Consultant/Trainer*

**CO-SPONSORED BY:** ACLU of Southern California, Black Women for Wellness, California Latinas for Reproductive Justice, California Women's Law Center, City of West Hollywood (Premier Sponsor), Feminist Majority Foundation, Hollywood NOW, LA for Choice, Lady Parts Justice League, Lenore Wax, Loom, Los Angeles Coalition for Reproductive Justice, National Health Law Program, Planned Parenthood Los Angeles, Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, Shout Your Abortion, Temple Israel of Hollywood, and Women's Reproductive Rights Assistance Project.

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