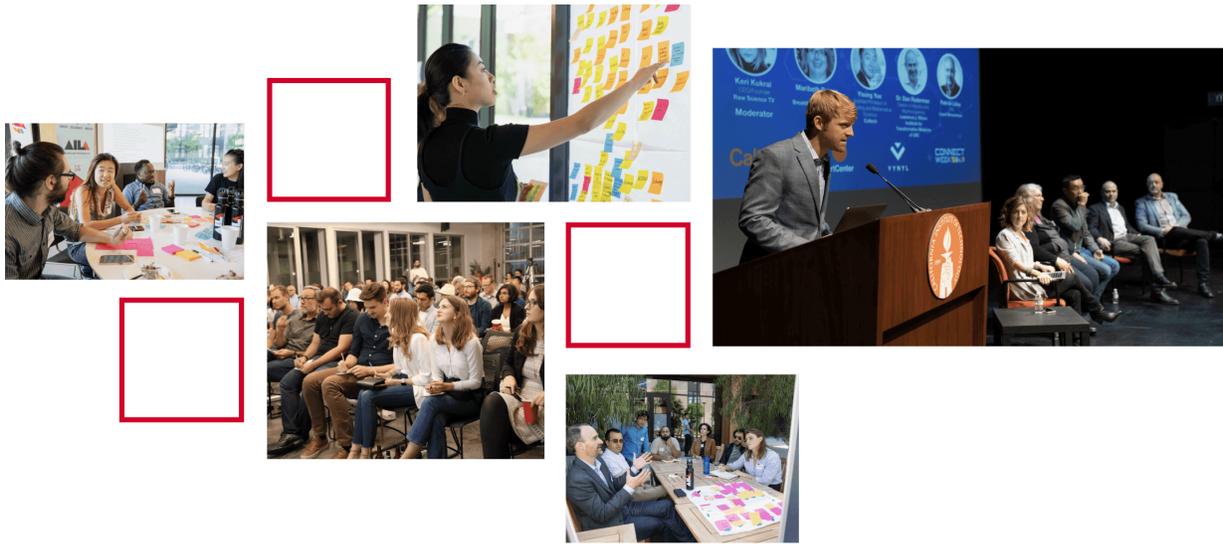


WHO WE ARE



Artificial Intelligence Los Angeles (AI LA) is a public benefit 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization; supporting the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics) communities of the Greater Los Angeles area.

Our mission is to catalyze innovation through education, conversation, and collaboration. Our dedicated community explores the impacts of artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning, and other emerging technologies on humanity. We offer guidance and create professional and industry development opportunities by delivering programs and initiatives—on contemporary topics and multidisciplinary applications of AI— to serve our region.

On this journey, we have helped many professionals and organizations find jobs, business partners, new hires, funding, friends, lovers (yep), and a general sense of belonging.

Since 2016, we have been trusted conveners of cross-disciplinary groups of academics, industry experts, and the general public to explore the impacts of artificial intelligence, machine learning, and other frontier technologies, on our personal and professional lives. So far, we have hosted over 100 in-person and virtual events; including panel discussions, technical workshops, hackathons, design workshops, summits, symposia, and (soon) citizen science projects.

Our story has only begun, and we hope you'll join us, as we transform the Greater Los Angeles region into a hub for responsible AI research, development, and application.

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GRANT HOSFORD



Ameer Taylor merges his entrepreneurial and cloud expertise with his roles in Cloud ERP, Analytics, and AI. His work focuses on medical and aerospace sectors, utilizing advanced models and tools like GPT-4, Google Gemini, and LangChain. Ameer excels in enhancing AI models for diverse applications, including multimodal and computer vision.



Grant has been building successful technology businesses in Seattle and Los Angeles for over 20 years. His company codeSpark, the most used coding platform for young kids, was recently acquired by BEGiN. He currently runs Sun Gem an AI Consultancy and advises several early stage start-ups, including Nexa AI.



**BIOTECH
AMBASSADOR**

JULIANNA MONTANO



Julianna Montano is a law student under Southwestern Law School's Two-Year Accelerated Program. She is a recent graduate of USC, where she was a member of the AI Safety Governance Fellowship and pursued a dual-degree in Philosophy and Pharmacology. Through AI LA and Students for Technology Law and Entrepreneurship, she is exploring the social and political impact of AI technologies across the biotech industry. (edited)



IDEAS MENTOR

REX ORDONEZ



Rex Ordonez, studying his Masters in Computer Science at USC, specializes in utilizing AI to change education. With direct experience as a software engineer and program mentor he is committed to enhancing educational experiences.



**IDEAS PROGRAM
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AMBASSADOR**

RITA SARGSYAN



With an Applied Mathematics background from UCLA and active involvement in the VC and startup landscape, Rita is dedicated to fostering innovation within the entrepreneurial community. Her passion for AI, particularly in healthcare and biotech, has fueled her efforts to mentor and inspire, bridging the gap between technology and human-centric solutions. Through collaboration and education, Rita aims to empower the next wave of innovators, driving meaningful advancements in the AI realm.



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RADHAKRISHNAN**

**EXECUTIVE
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TODD TERRAZAS



Shree is a technologist dedicated to accelerating human progress with AI. His experience spans building, advising, and investing in startups, where his passion lies in empowering entrepreneurs and catalyzing innovation in the venture universe. Shree is a fierce techno-optimist, and believes that AGI will emerge as the most transformative force in humanity's existence. 



As an innovator in the tech information and education space, Todd focuses on creating a robust ecosystem of resources and collaborative partnerships that can enhance LA's AI literacy, catalyze innovation, and advance workforce development opportunities.



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WHAT TO EXPECT

Attendees will enjoy presentations from thought leaders, hands-on workshops about practical applications, screenings of landmark AI films, and an enthusiastic crowd excited to meet each other. Expect a day full of learning and connecting.

WHO YOU'LL MEET

At AI on the Lot, you'll meet filmmakers, AI startups, media executives, investors, and all the people making a career in the emerging space of AI film. Every year attendees meet new friends, collaborators, and even business partners.