

**SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

Meeting Date: August 11, 1993
4:00-6:00 p.m.
Sacramento Marina
2710 Ramp Way, Sacramento

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COMMISSIONERS:

Gloria Burt	Mary Anne Payne
Lynn Ericksen	Susan Sinclair
K. George Klumb	Freeman Tinnin
Anthony P. Marquez, Chair	Sandra Yee
Paula Munson	Dennis Yep

- I. CALL TO ORDER - At the hour of 4:15 p.m. ROLL CALL: All present except Commissioners Ericksen, Payne and Sinclair.
- II. APPROVE AGENDA OF AUGUST 11, 1993
Moved: Burt; seconded: Tinnin
Ayes: Unanimous
- III. APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 14, 1993
Moved: Yep; seconded: Klumb
Ayes: Unanimous
- IV. PRESENTATION(S) - None.
- V. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Priscilla Demo - It is her hope that with funding cuts still possible, advocacy efforts continue. She urged the Arts Coalition to meet with elected officials to keep them aware of the activities of the arts community.

VI. ACTION ITEMS (A-D):

A. VOTE ON 1993-94 CHAIR OF ARTS COMMISSION (BURT DESIGNATED ACTING CHAIR)

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE ANTHONY MARQUEZ FOR A SECOND TERM AS 1993-94 ARTS COMMISSION CHAIR.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Burt; seconded: Tinnin
Ayes 5 Noes 0 Absent 4
Abstain 1 (Marquez) (Yee absent for this vote)
Motion passed unanimously.

B. APPROVE 1993-1994 VICE-CHAIR OF ARTS COMMISSION (MARQUEZ)

A MOTION WAS MADE TO ACCEPT THE CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION OF SANDRA YEE FOR 1993-94 VICE-CHAIR.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Tinnin; seconded: Klumb
Ayes 6 Noes 0 Absent 3
Abstain 1 (Yee)
Motion passed unanimously.

C. APPROVE NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS (MARQUEZ)

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS: JOHN-ANN CARLILE (AWARDS COMMITTEE); SCOTT ECKERN AND JAMIE OPIE (ALTERNATE) (PERFORMING ARTS COMMITTEE). INTERVIEWS WILL TAKE PLACE WITH OTHER APPLICANTS PRIOR TO APPROVING ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Klumb; seconded: Burt
Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 3
Motion passed unanimously.

D. APPROVE ADDITIONS TO AWARDS PANELIST POOL (HELLER)

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Burt; seconded: Yep
Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 3
Motion passed unanimously.

VII. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Marquez met yesterday with Council members Ortiz and Kastanis regarding Metro Arts and the budget. The meetings were very successful and fruitful in terms of support received. Chair Marquez is hopeful that they will support Metro Arts' budget as previously adopted by Council.

The City is looking at a possible additional \$8 million in reductions. The City is not locked into a formula. Each agency will be evaluated on its own merit. City staff is looking at the activities of the Arts Commission as core issues that need to be considered in terms of the arts education and community outreach programs which it sponsors.

Marquez was contacted by the California Arts Council (CAC) and was asked to meet with a Japanese delegation of Arts and Culture on the 18th of this month. They are interested in meeting with local arts agency's officials. Senator Mello and Arts Education and Outreach Committee member Paul Minicucci were also asked to participate.

Actress Jane Alexander was appointed to head the National Endowment of the Arts.

At the State level, the CAC's funding was left intact. Joanne Kozberg and Ken Larsen attended the Confederation's meeting in Los Angeles. It was a very constructive meeting. The CAC will move forward with their programs. At the State, County and City levels, it is hopeful that matters can be worked out regarding funding.

VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Art in Public Places Consultant Nancy Esajian attended the California State University Summer School for the Arts "Painting and Drawing with Electronic Media" workshop at the CSU Humboldt campus. She is planning to hold a technical workshop in the fall on computer capabilities.

Director Walker has been working with Council member Ortiz, La Familia Counseling Center and the Parks and Recreation Division to develop an arts plan for the Oak Park Community Center site. Artists Juanishi Orosco and Senai Dennis are working with 12 youths to paint murals. Concurrently, the artists are working with a community arts advisory group to implement an aerosol art project on sound walls. These will be temporary aerosol artwork murals painted over each month. Youths would go through a series of aerosol art training programs and then submit proposals of their designs. This project would be a model for other community centers. Photo documentation will be kept. Director Walker would like to give a slide presentation of the youths' artwork to Commissioners at the next meeting.

Art Education Consultant Victoria Plata met with Alamo Rent-A-Car officials after receiving a proposal to sponsor a regional youth artwork exhibition at the Sacramento Executive Airport. The proposal will be brought to the APP Committee as well as the Arts Commission at a later date. The rehearsals for the RAP opera are going very well. The Arts Education program will look for a part-time assistant with an arts education background.

The Regional Alliance for Arts Planning Steering Committee is working on the strategy to get survey information out to the county. Information from the survey will be used by the task force.

The Sacramento Cultural Arts Awards application deadline is Friday, August 13.

The Fringe Theatre Festival Planning Committee meets next month and is looking for sub-committee members. Commissioner Burt is Chair of the Volunteer Sub-committee.

Commissioners and Committee members are invited to attend a staff picnic at Oki Park, August 28, 9 am to 4 pm.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. PERFORMING ARTS (Burt) - The Committee met this morning with the Fringe Theatre Festival group. Director Walker shared research information she's received on various festivals. It is important to have the community "buy into" the idea of a festival. Planning needs to happen very fast. Location and timeframe needs to be discussed. Volunteers are needed to help with the enormous amount of work necessary to put this on. The Committee is dedicated to the festival. Ideas for a festival name are welcomed--artwork will then be developed. A "Friends" group will be established to raise funds.
- B. VISUAL ARTS (Tinnin) - The Committee welcomes Dean Moniz as a new member. Additional recommendations were discussed. The Committee has asked Tinnin to remain as Acting Chair until a Chair has been appointed. Proposals were due today at SHRA for development of the live/work space at 58 Arden. This site could be low down payment condominiums with low monthly payments. Tinnin proposed having a monthly arts/crafts sale downtown, directly to the public. The sale could coincide with the 2nd Saturday series. The Committee is very interested with this idea. Proceeds could support the Committee. The Committee would like to participate with the Regional Alliance for Arts Planning.
- C. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (Tinnin) - The Committee did not meet in July.
- D. ARTS EDUCATION AND OUTREACH (Plata) - Interviews continue with committee members applicants. The Committee meets tomorrow to revise their mission statement.

- E. AWARDS (Heller) - The Sacramento Cultural Arts Awards (SCA) application deadline is Friday, August 13. The New Works panels meet this Monday and Tuesday. The SCA funding allocations workshop is September 1. Policy procedures will be developed at the workshop, before rankings are approved.
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X. AD HOC REPORTS

- A. Master Cultural Plan/Regional Alliance for Arts Planning (Burt) - Consultant Jennifer Franz has been working with the group to develop a survey. Ms. Franz felt it wise to develop a survey for Sacramento County first, then write up an evaluation before developing surveys for other counties. On August 4, the Steering Committee and Advisory Committee approved the organizational plan. The Committee will initially give the survey to arts organizations to pass along to individuals artists living in Sacramento County. The next RAAP meeting will be August 25.
- B. Downtown District (Burt) - The Planning and Development Committee did not meet this summer; they will resume meeting in September. The Thursday Night Market is becoming a great venue and is very successful. There are musicians, food vendors and a farmers market. It could piggyback the opening of the Fringe Theatre Festival. Director Walker stated that Metro Arts was there last Thursday for its open house for the Community and Visitor Services Department. Metro Arts' booth featured hands-on artwork of paper "tiles" for a mural. Children and adults participated in creating tiles.
- C. Memorial Auditorium (Marquez) - Marquez read in the paper that minimum funding is recommended to open the doors. No major changes are recommended.
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XI. FRIENDS REPORT

President Kitty Simpson stated that Friends support actions of Metro Arts, the Fringe Festival, reprinting of promotional t-shirts and reprinting of the Cultural Resource Directory. Memberships to the Board are open.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Klumb stated that an article in the paper stated that the mayor will hold an Economic Development Summit in October. Members of the Urban Land Institute have been invited to speak. There was no mention of including the arts in urban developments.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS - None.

XIV. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED - None.

XV. INFORMATION REPORTS - None.

- XVI. ADJOURNMENT - At the hour of 5:17 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn. Moved: Burt; seconded: Tinnin. Motion passed unanimously.

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