

SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 17, 2000
4:00-6:30 p.m.

Central Library/~~WEST~~ Meeting Room-Floor Level
828 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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COMMISSIONERS:

Michelle Egan

Valerie Drew

Marcy Friedman

Gerry N. Kamilos

Quan Van Le

Yvonne Bonacci

John Wong

R. Burnett Miller

Kendall Person

Gloria A. Woodlock

Bernadette Chiang

CALL TO ORDER at the hour of 4:20 by Commissioner Miller

Present: Chiang, Drew, Egan, Friedman, Le, Miller, Woodlock Absent: Person Excused: Bonacci, Wong, Kamilos

II. APPROVED AGENDA OF MAY 17, 2000

Moved: Miller Seconded: Woodlock Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Absent: 4

III. APPROVED MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2000

Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Chiang Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Absent: 4

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS (10 MINUTES) - None

V. ACTION ITEMS:

A. APPROVED COMMITTEE MEMBERS (KAMILOS):

- Victor Selinsky, Arts Education & Outreach

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: APPROVE Meeting May 17, 2000 Moved: Egan Seconded: Drew
Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 4

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Drew Seconded: Woodlock Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 4

B. APPROVED WILKERSON FELLOWSHIP FOR THE TECHNICAL ARTS GUIDELINES AND NOMINATION/ APPLICATION (HELLER):

AWARDS COMMITTEE ACTION: APPROVE Meeting No vote/no quorum Ayes Noes Absent

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Woodlock Seconded: Egan Ayes 7 Noes 0 Absent 4

Weston presented the information on Wilkerson Fellowship for the Technical Arts which will recognize and honor outstanding contributions of professional artists working behind the scenes in the technical fields related to the visual, performing, media and literary arts. Research was conducted throughout the nation to seek other fellowship programs. The findings indicated that no other Technical Arts programs exist, therefore, making the Commission the first to implement such a program. Staff formed a local advisory committee with various areas of technical expertise, to make recommendations and provide input on finalize the Guidelines and Nomination/Application.

The awards categories for the Technical Fellowship Programs are: Arts Education, Community Arts, Emerging Artist, Achievement Award, Commissioners' Award and Mayor & county Supervisors' Award. Disciplines include but are not limited to designers, bookmakers, film editors, conservators, animators, scenic painters, illustrators, instrument makers, computer graphics, and sound engineers, etc. However, the creator of the primary work is not eligible because they were included in prior year Fellowships. Fellowships are awarded in a competitive process. Applicants must submit support material evident of artistic expression, professional activity and achievements, resume, and letters of recommendations. Approximately \$35,000 has been set aside for the fellowships.

Heller discussed policy with the Commission regarding eligibility issues specifically, who is eligible to apply?

Woodlock questioned whether the program should support commercial productions in addition to non-profit organizations. Friedman stated that the criteria should be based on creativity and innovation of the artist's work rather than focusing on the non-profit verse for profit. Walker stated the panel will review the art background, experience and body of work of the artist. Commission agreed to leave it to the panel to decide.

VI. PRESENTATION(S): None

VII. DISCUSSION ITEM(S): None

VIII. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Miller announced on May 24th, an APP presentation will be made of Chris Janney's artwork at the airport by local artist/apprentice Brad Stark. Also, the Center For Contemporary Art, located on Del Paso Blvd., will host *The Family Show* art show. It opens the second Saturdays of the month. The show represents all know local artist in Sacramento. A special reception will be held on June 1st.

IX. CHAIR'S REPORT - Arts Development Committee (Woodlock/Heller)

Woodlock discussed three major issues regarding the Arts Development Committee:

1. ArtsMarket will be conducting a marketing study on June 1st. Also, National Arts Stabilization (NAS) will conduct a financial assessment.
2. A "Grants Makers in the Arts" conference will be held in October. The committee will invite local philanthropist and funders to meet with national philanthropist for a networking session.
3. The Arts Development Committee will offer a Board Recruitment and Training Program. The program will also serve as a support group for those who are currently serving boards.

X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT: None

XI. OLD OR NEW BUSINESS: None

XII. ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Kamilos at 5:02 p.m.