

SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES

Meeting Date: January 11, 1995

4:00-6:00 p.m.

Sacramento Marina

2710 Ramp Way, Sacramento

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COMMISSIONERS:

Vera L. Davis

Gerry N. Kamilos

Quan Van Le

Anthony P. Marquez

Freeman Tinnin

Sandra Yee

Dennis Yep

I. CALL TO ORDER - At the hour of 4:09 pm. All present except Commissioners Kamilos and Tinnin.

APPROVE AGENDA OF JANUARY 11, 1995. Agenda approved.

Moved: Marquez; seconded: Le

Ayes: Unanimous

III. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 1994. Minutes approved.

Moved: Le; seconded: Marquez

Ayes: Unanimous

IV. PRESENTATION(S) - "Ad Hoc Cultural Awards Committee" - Laurie Heller, Grants Program Coordinator

Ms. Heller referred to and discussed the staff report in the Commission packet. Three pre-planning Ad Hoc Committee meetings took place in December and January regarding key issues relating to large vs small organizations as well as cultural equity. Sal Street was introduced. Mr. Street is the facilitator employed to assist the Ad Hoc Committee and arts organizations with upcoming community meetings. A series of community meetings are planned for January 20 and February 13 to solicit input from the arts community into the policy and procedures of the regranting program. The facilitator, staff and a representative of the Commission and Awards Committee will participate. All Commissioners are encouraged to attend and provide input as well. The Ad Hoc Committee will reconvene in March, respond to and possibly revise the guidelines, procedures, and panelist handbook. Revisions will go to the Awards Committee, Commission, Council and the Board for approval. Guidelines will be distributed in June for the 1996 funding cycle. It was agreed that community input into the process is very important.

V. PUBLIC TESTIMONY - None.

VI. ACTION ITEM(S) (A-C):

A. APPROVE NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS (YEE)

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE DAPHNE GAWTHROP AND VICKIE-MARIE PARKER, PERFORMING ARTS COMMITTEE; MARY COLE, VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: Le; seconded: Davis
Ayes 5 Noes 0 Absent 2 (Kamilos, Tinnin)
Motion passed unanimously.

CHAIR YEE APPOINTED THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE CHAIRS: ED HURLEY, VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE; COMMISSIONER GERRY KAMILOS, ADVOCACY COMMITTEE.

B. APPROVE ARTIST FOR SITE A OF THE CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT (GEE)

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE ARTIST CHARLES GAINES FOR ONE OF THE TWO MURALS FOR SITE A OF THE CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT. HE WILL DEVELOP A NEW PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW IN A REPORT BACK AT THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: MARQUEZ; seconded: YEP
Ayes 4 Noes 1 (Davis) Absent 2 (Kamilos, Tinnin)
Motion passed.

C. APPROVE ARTIST FOR K STREET LOBBY WALL OF THE CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT (GEE)

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE ARTIST ALVIN LOVING FOR THE K STREET LOBBY WALL OF THE CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT.

COMMISSION ACTION: Moved: YEP; seconded: MARQUEZ
Ayes 4 Noes 0 Absent 3 (Davis, Kamilos, Tinnin)
Motion passed unanimously.

VII. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Yee has been meeting with Councilmembers to update them on the Commission's current programs. A letter was sent to Mayor Serna stating she would welcome the opportunity to work with the Art in Public Places (APP) Task Force.

VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/PROGRAM UPDATE

The Sixth Governor's Conference on the Arts, presented by the California Arts Council (CAC) and the California Assembly of Local Arts Agencies (CALAA), will be held February 10 and 11, 1995, in Santa Clara. The conference will focus on the "Arts and Technology." Scholarships are available through CALAA.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. VISUAL ARTS (Hurley) - The Committee met January 9 and recommended a new Chair. Goals for 1995 were discussed. Committee members will bring lists of goals and objectives to the next meeting, January 25. The Committee would like to consider repeating the "Phoenix" show as an annual event, as an opportunity to showcase young artists and provide greater exposure.

Maru Hoerber reported on Artist Live/Work Space. The 58 Arden project has been delayed because of the potential of a toxic spill on the site. The CADA warehouse is still being considered as a potential location. The "Phoenix" Artists' Exhibition will open February 11 and be open February 12, 18 and 19 as well. Two hundred fifteen artists have entered. An artist mixer will take place February 24, to allow opportunities for networking among artists and gallery owners in the greater Sacramento area. Performances by Patricia Pena, Gene Oldfield, instruction by James Nash, as well as the showing of video tapes by local artists, will take place from 8 to 10 pm. The band *Draw Pinky* will play from 10 pm to midnight. It was suggested that the Visual Arts Committee solicit the input of visual artists in the development of the goals and objectives of the Committee.

- B. PERFORMING ARTS (Le) - The Committee is working with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency in holding a public meeting January 23 regarding the possibility of creating a performing arts center in Sacramento. All are invited to attend and provide their input.
- C. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (Walker) - The Committee approved artists Charles Gaines and Al Loving for commissions for the Convention Center Expansion project. The Commission Directive to the APP Committee was discussed.
- D. ARTS EDUCATION AND OUTREACH (Walker) - The Arts in Schools Program will begin soon. Commissioner Yee was a member of the interview/selection panel. Consultant Alpha Bruton reported that 35 applications were received--28 were invited to interview, others will be listed in the Cultural Resource Directory. Sponsor contacts are being made--information will be sent out by Friday. The next groups of artworks at the Alamo Student Art Gallery at the Sacramento Metropolitan Airport will feature works from youth at the Short Center and two elementary schools. "Virgin-in-a-Sense" AIDS RAP Opera performances took place at McClatchy High School. The Committee would like to do collaborations with various social services agencies. Outreach will take place in the spring. The Committee is working with the City's Youth Commission in asking for their input into the various districts needs assessment, especially as they relate to Late Night Sacramento, and the Commission's YEA! Program. Brochures will be ready soon.
- E. AWARDS (Heller) - Cultural Awards Guidelines are being reviewed. Arts Program Assistant Mario Moreno is working on guidelines for the Fellowship Grants Program. Technical assistance is being developed for applicants not funded. A series of round-table discussions will take place. Appropriate classes may be recommended with regards to accounting needs, board development, etc.
- F. FUND AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Kamilos) - No report.
- G. FRINGE ARTS FESTIVAL (Heller) - FringeArts artists' applications have been mailed out.

X. AD HOC REPORTS

- A. Advocacy - No report.

XI. FRIENDS REPORT - No report.

XII. OLD BUSINESS - None

XIII. NEW BUSINESS - Commissioner Yep asked about the status of filling Commission vacancies. Director Walker stated that the County will make nominations on February 1; the City has re-opened the application period to January 27.

XIV. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED - None

XV. INFORMATION REPORTS - None

I. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:26 pm.

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