

PUBLIC NOTICE

City Arts Commission

Thursday, February 11, 2010, 5:00pm
Central Library Conference Room

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are invited to comment on non-agenda items of public interest. Speakers are limited to three minutes. No action can be taken by the City Arts Commission on this date unless agendaized. This is the time to address the Arts Commission regarding items of interest or on agenda items other than public hearings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 14, 2010

(Item #1)

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Staff Report/Calendar

(Item #2)

2. Correspondence/Press

3. Committee Updates:

Fine Arts Committee

Performing Arts Committee

Arts Foundation Liaison Committee

Budget Committee

Art in Public Places Committee

Cultural Arts Grant Committee

NEW BUSINESS

4. Wendy Brooks Report on Mariners Medical Building

COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Matters which a member may wish to place on a future agenda or raise for discussion

ADJOURNMENT

Next Arts Commission Meeting: March 11, 2010

City of Newport Beach

**Newport Beach City Arts Commission
January 14, 2009 – 5:00pm
Central Library Conference Room**

Convened at 5:03pm

Call To Order and Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Robyn Grant, Chair
Gilbert Lasky
Carole Boller
Christopher Trela
Rita Goldberg, Secretary
Robert Smith, Vice Chair

Commissioners Absent: Wendy Brooks

Staff Present: Jana Barbier, Staff Liaison, Cultural Arts Coordinator

Public Present: Patty Koffman, Carmen Smith, Lila Crespin

Public Comments:

Patty Koffman attended the meeting as a representative of muralist William Stout and discussed the artist's desire to create a mural for Newport Beach. Discussion ensued and commissioners suggested Stout's providing a letter describing the intended project; it was suggested that the artist visit the McFadden Square site.

Lila Crespin and Carmen Smith stated that Homer Bludau was made an honorary member of the Newport Beach Arts Foundation at their holiday party.

Approval of Minutes:

It was MSP (Lasky/Boller) to approve the December 10, 2009 minutes with the following changes: Wendy Brooks should have been listed as present.

Continued Business:

Staff Report /Correspondence - Reviewed and filed. Robyn Grant noted that the Balboa Theater Foundation had recently unveiled and placed a model in the library for their fundraising efforts.

Correspondence/Press – Reviewed and filed. Staff passed around a draft of the entry form for the 2010 Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale.

Budget Review – A commissioner thanked staff for providing a budget worksheet. Commissioners and public noted that the money from the museum tours should not be inadvertently credited to the Arts Foundation though the group was assisting with reservations and details. There was a discussion regarding getting the money back immediately from the

Foundation, and that this event should be controlled by the Arts Commission. Commissioners discussed the Additional Department Supplies Budget (\$2700 profit from the 2009 OC Juried Show plus \$5,000 provided this fiscal year for art cabinets) and agreed that the \$5,000 given by Councilman Rosansky for library art display cabinets be used immediately for this purpose. Commissioner Smith noted that he doesn't feel that the library is excited about the placement of public art in the building and that he was very upset that the display cabinets had not been placed in the library by this time. He asked the Arts Commission to use \$2,700 for a public art project. Commissioners considered this and agreed unanimously to use the funds for public art.

Committee Updates:

Fine Arts Committee – Commissioner Boller noted that the entry fee had been omitted from the "Call for Entries" draft. Boller asked if the commissioners were still thinking about the definition of the Artist Laureate program. She stated that she had been given names for potential Laureates and that Commissioner Brooks had forwarded her thoughts on the program. Commissioners agreed to table this discussion until another time. Boller asked how the art in the cabinets would be selected and suggested that the Fine Arts Committee could convene to discuss this.

Performing Arts Committee – The committee members were planning to meet very soon to discuss the talent, dates and parks for this year's concerts and it was noted that the Shakespeare productions were slated to take place on July 10 and 11 in 2010.

Arts Foundation Liaison Committee – Foundation members were excited about the upcoming museum tour and were hoping that Art in the Park would take place on June 19th this year.

Budget Committee – The budget had already been discussed.

Art in Public Places Committee – Commissioner Smith noted that he, Commissioners Grant and Trela, along with Mayor Curry and Councilman Webb had met with various organizations to discuss potential collaborations in creating a sculpture garden in the City Hall and Park site. Commissioner Grant thanked Commissioner Smith for all of his hard work and stated again the Mayor Curry and Councilman Webb were very supportive of the effort to include public art in the City Hall and Park site.

Cultural Art Grant Committee – Commissioner Brooks was absent so there was no report. However, Commissioner Grant used this opportunity to share some thoughts sent to her by Commissioner Brooks regarding the Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale. Commissioner Brooks thought the word 'juried' could be used in the title. Commissioners discussed this and noted that the new format of the exhibition did not actually include the jurying process.

New Business:

Staff provided materials and asked Commissioner Goldberg to share the information on an upcoming opportunity to attend "Renoir in the 20th Century" and "American Stories: Paintings of Everyday Life 1765-1915" exhibitions at the Los Angeles County Museum. The date being discussed was noted as Monday, March 1. There was discussion about which tour to see and it was decided that if possible the group would like to see both exhibitions. Staff to look into the costs for both tours or one. Commissioner Goldberg suggested advertising the Renoir exhibit, but having a decent tour of the American Stories exhibition and Commissioners agreed. The

Commissioners agreed that Monday, March 1 would be a suitable date and staff noted that the advertising would have to be done immediately.

Future Agenda Items:

Commissioner Announcements: Commissioner Grant complimented Commissioner Smith on his new glasses. Commissioner Trela had attended a performance recently by Newport Beach student Samantha Smith.

It was MSP (Lasky/Trela) to adjourn the meeting.

Adjournment: 6:47p.m.