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Summary Minutes

Tacoma Arts Commission

Community & Economic Development

These minutes accompany the recorded meeting of the Tacoma Arts Commission, which are available at www.tacomaculture.org/arts/tac.asp.

Staff

Amy McBride, *Tacoma Arts Administrator*
Naomi Strom-Avila, *Cultural Arts Specialist*

Date: August 9, 2010
Location: City of Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 16
Time: 5:00 pm

Commission Members in Attendance:

Robin Echtle, Chair
Jan Brazzell
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Janice Karroll
Traci Kelly
Don Lacky
Bill La Vergne
Janet Matzke
Aimee Mell
Dane Meyer
Jacqueline Peterson
Jana Wennstrom

City Council Members Present:

Lauren Walker

City Council Members Absent:

Marty Campbell

Staff Present:

Amy McBride, Tacoma Arts Administrator
Naomi Strom-Avila, Cultural Arts Specialist

Guests Present:

Dan Bryant
Rosemary Ponnekanti
Robert Hill

Commission Members Excused Absence:

Sarah Idstrom, Vice-Chair
Mike Sweney

Commission Members Unexcused Absence:

Rachel Cardwell

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| 1. Call to Order | 5:00 pm (00:34) | Chair Echtle |
| 2. Excusal of Absences | 5:00 pm (00:36) | Chair Echtle |
| Vice Chair Idstrom and Commissioner Sweney had an excused absence. Commissioner Cardwell had an unexcused absence. | | |
| 3. Approval of Minutes and Agenda | 5:00 pm (00:51) | Chair Echtle |
| Motion: Bill La Vergne | | |
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Second: Jan Brazzell

Motion: Carried

4. Chair's Report: 5:01 pm (01:12) Chair Echtle

Chair Echtle reminded Commissioners that Art at Work month is in November and will require Commissioner attendance and volunteers.

5. Staff Check-In 5:02 pm (2:04)

The City of Tacoma's Arts Program did not receive the NEA City Design grant that was applied for. The program will be applying for an NEA Planning Grant for the Prairie Line trail.

Sound Transit has an upcoming call for public art for a new Sounder station.

Jill Anholt will soon be installing her public art on the 12th Street Hillclimb/Pacific Plaza.

The mural being painted by Fab-5 on the back of the Rialto theater is almost complete.

The deadline for the Cheney Stadium call to artists is August 16.

6. Action Item

A. AMOCAT Award nominations 5:10 pm (10:29)

Commissioners made nominations for the 2010 AMOCAT Awards; they will vote in September. Nominations are as follows:

Category: Community Outreach by an Artist

Oliver Doriss

Angela Jossy

Category: Community Outreach by an Organization

Mandolin Café

Tacoma Musical Playhouse

Fab-5

Proctor Business District

D.A.S.H.

Free Ya Mind

Grand Cinema

Category: Arts Patron

Greater Tacoma Community Foundation

Urban Grace Church

Tacoma Weekly

7. Reports/Updates

A. Art at Work: Tacoma Arts Month 5:31 pm (31:54)

Art at Work Month planning is underway. Secured sponsorships include Click! Cable TV, Weekly Volcano, Showcase Magazine, Premier Media Group, and KUOW.

Chad Hall is doing the design package this year. Arts activities are still being gathered.

The opening party will be November 4, 6 – 8:30 pm at the Tacoma Art Museum. Programming was discussed.

The Studio Tours will be on November 6 & 7, 10 am – 4 pm and will feature 71 artists and 44 locations. Ideas were discussed for future tours.

The Art Slam will be on November 17, 7 – 9 pm at the Rialto. The call for submissions will be opened up to include live performances as well as projected art.

The Arts Symposium will be on November 13 & 14 at the University of Puget Sound. Programming was discussed.

B. Spaceworks Tacoma/Artsclapes 6:00 pm (1:00:00)

Information about the Spaceworks/Artsclapes artists/projects and the block party was discussed.

C. Mural Arts Training Program 6:10 pm (1:10:13)

Participating artists have completed four training sessions and several workshops with lead artists. They completed a training mural on the Portland Avenue Community Center restroom building and are now moving on to murals at five community sites. The youth training program is working on a mural at St. Vincent de Paul.

D. Urban Waters 6:20 pm (1:20:38)

Robert Horner's public art piece for the Center for Urban Waters is under construction.

E. Welcome Figure 6:22 pm (1:22:23)

The Welcome Figure will be installed on September 12 with a celebration on September 18.

F. People's Pool: Human Rights Legacy 6:26 pm (1:26:07)

A \$30,000 budget call is being put together for an artist/artist team to conduct a series of community engagement conversations and then develop a project related to human rights. The American Leadership Forum Class XVI is helping coordinate community involvement for the project.

8. Report Back 6:34 pm (1:34:34)

Commissioners reported back about arts events they had attended.

9. Good of the Order

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm