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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*
 Rebecca Solverson, *Public Art Assistant*

Date: September 12, 2011

Location: City of Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 16

Time: 5:00 pm

Commission Members in Attendance:

Sarah Idstrom, Chair
 Traci Kelly, Vice Chair
 Jan Brazzell
 Rachel Cardwell
 Robin Echtle
 Janice Karroll
 Don Lacky
 Dane Meyer
 Zach Powers
 Scott Ramsey
 Catherine Stegeman
 Mike Sweney
 Jana Wennstrom

City Council Member Present:

Lauren Walker
 Marty Campbell

Staff Present:

Amy McBride, Tacoma Arts Administrator
 Naomi Strom-Avila, Cultural Arts Specialist
 Martha Anderson, CEDD, Assistant Director

Guests:

Jane McKittrick
 Todd Bressi
 Lucy Begg
 Robert Gay

Commission Members Excused Absence:

Bill La Vergne

Commission Members Unexcused Absence:

Antonio Edwards, Jr.

1. Call to Order	5:06 pm (00:00)	Chair Idstrom
2. Excusal of Absences	5:06 pm (00:18)	Vice Chair Kelly
Commissioner La Vergne had an excused absence.		
3. Approval of Minutes and Agenda	5:06 pm (00:27)	Vice Chair Kelly
Motion: Dane Meyer		
Second: Mike Sweney		
Motion: Carried		



4. Chair's Report**5:07 pm (01:03)****Chair Idstrom**

New Commissioner Catherine Stegeman was introduced.

5. Staff Check-In**5:08 pm (02:09)**

Foss Waterway Development Authority invited the Commission to attend workshops Sept 27 – 29 to look at the master plan for the Foss.

The Broadway Center for the Performing Arts' Fall Free for All is October 8 & 9. The Commission will have a table at the event for Art at Work Month. Chair Idstrom and Commissioners Brazzell and Echtle volunteered to help staff the table.

Commissioners volunteered to conduct Tacoma Artists Initiative Program mid-project meetings as follows:

NAME	VOLUNTEER
Kareem Kandi	Traci Kelly
Ronald Lagman	Jan Brazzell
Anne Lyman	Sarah Idstrom
Jason Skipper	Rachel Cardwell

6. Presentation**A. Prairie Line Trail****5:13 pm (6:57)**

Toss Bressi, Lucy Begg, and Robert Gay gave a presentation about their inspiration for and work on the public art master plan for the Prairie Line Trail and demonstration project.

The public art plan will contain the main ideas/vision for artwork along the trail, a look at the types of projects that might emerge along the trail, and steps needed to implement those projects.

Thoughtbarn will create a temporary demonstration project inspired by prairie grass. The piece will be installed along the trail on November 12. Temporary projects created by teams of artists in the Public Art: In Depth program will also be installed along the trail.

A public meeting about the work will be held on September 13 at 9:30 am at Rain City Café in downtown Tacoma.

B. Art at Work**6:01 pm (55:50)**

The Opening Party will be held on November 3, 6 – 8:30 pm at the Museum of Glass. The AMOCAT awards will be at 7:15 pm and various performers will provide entertainment throughout the evening.

The Studio Tours will be November 5 and 6, 10 am – 4 pm.



The Art Symposium will be November 19 and 20, 9 am – 5 pm at UPS. Naomi gave an overview of all the sessions and presenters. This year's program will include a keynote address by Gigi Rosenberg. The Symposium will have a \$20 registration fee for 2-days of sessions or \$7 for a single session. Scholarships will be available. Commissioner Karroll suggested that a 1-day fee option be offered.

The Prairie Line Trail Public Art Tour will be on November 12 at 2 pm, leaving from Tollefson Plaza.

Art at Work sponsors include: Washington State Arts Commission, National Endowment for the Arts, Click!, Volcano, Premier Media Group, and Seattle Weekly.

Naomi provided updates on this year's advertising coverage, design pieces, and promo item giveaways.

Commissioners volunteered for Art at Work duties as follows:

Material Distribution - Sarah Idstrom, Rachel Cardwell, Zach Powers, Don Lacky, Scott Ramsey, Catherine Stegeman, Robin Echte, Dane Meyer

Opening Party -

Set-Up

5:00 – 6:00 pm – Traci Kelly, Rachel Cardwell, Jan Karroll, Don Lacky

Welcome Table

5:30 – 6:00 pm – Traci Kelly, Rachel Cardwell

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6:30 – 7:00 pm – Don Lacky, Catherine Stegeman

Mover

5:45 – 6:00 pm – Sarah Idstrom

6:00 – 6:15 pm – Jan Brazzell

6:15 – 6:30 pm – Catherine Stegeman

Meet and Greet

6:00 – 8:30 pm – Sarah Idstrom, Traci Kelly, Jan Brazzell, Rachel Cardwell, Jan Karroll, Scott

Ramsey, Robin Echte

Usher into Theater

7:05 – 7:15 pm - Sarah Idstrom, Jan Brazzell

Help with Wrap-up

8:30 – 9:15 pm - Don Lacky, Dane Meyer (tentatively)

Arts Symposium -

November 19

Set Up

7:45 – 8:30 am - Traci Kelly, Dane Meyer

Registration Table

8:30 – 9:30 am – Dane Meyer



9:30 am – 12:15 pm – Traci Kelly

12:15 – 4:45 pm – Jan Brazzell

Session Introductions & Assistant

12:45 – 2:45 pm - “Fund Your Projects: Grant Writing for the Visual, Literary and Performing Artist” - Traci Kelly

1:15 – 2:45 pm - “Starting a New Arts Group” - Sarah Idstrom

3 – 5 pm - “Behind Closed Doors: the Funding Panel” - Amy McBride

November 20

Set Up

8:15 – 8:30 am - Rachel Cardwell

Registration Table

8:30 – 10:30 am – Rachel Cardwell, Zach Powers

2:00 – 5:15 pm - Traci Kelly

Session Introductions & Assistant

12:30 – 3 pm - “Beyond the Elevator Speech: Writing and Talking About Your Work” - Traci Kelly

12:45 – 3 pm - “Public Art Perspectives” - Amy McBride

3:15 – 5 pm - “Non-Traditional Publishing: Experience from Writers Who’ve Done It” - Zach Powers

7. Recommendation Items

A. Sun King

6:29 pm (1:23:45)

Commissioners looked at digital mock-ups of what the Sun King would look like in two locations, and with and without a concrete base, on the site. There was some confusion over the size of the sculpture. Commissioners also discussed the placement of the Arbor Day tree next to it. Staff will visit the site again to get a better sense of scale of the piece on the North side of the park, when sited on a concrete base.

B. Arts Projects Guidelines

6:43 pm (1:37:29)

Commissioners reviewed the revised guidelines for the 2012 Arts Projects funding program. It was suggested to add “civic groups/associations” on the income form.

Chair Idstrom said, “We need a motion to accept these changes with the amendment of the civic group.”

Motion: Rachel Cardwell

Second: Jan Karroll

Motion: Carried

8. Discussion

A. PA:ID project committees

6:52 (1:46:00)



Chair Idstrom, Vice Chair Kelly, and Commissioners Ramsey, Brazzell, Powers, Echte, and Wennstrom volunteered to sit on selection panels for upcoming PA:ID projects.

B. Council Coffee Feedback **6:53 (1:47:50)**

Commissioners reported back on meetings they had with council members over the summer.

9. Report Back

A. Arts Appreciation Day at Cheney Stadium **6:56 (1:50:45)**

Commissioners discussed Arts Appreciation Day programming at Cheney.

B. Survey & Art Events Attended **6:59 (1:53:50)**

Commissioners talked about arts events and opportunities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm

