



Meeting Minutes

Arts Commission

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6:00 PM

Online or via phone

Register to attend:

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dorgan called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Chair Kathryn Dorgan, Vice Chair Jacie Hoag, Commissioner Jim Burlingame, Commissioner Coral Garey, Commissioner Katherine Ransom and Commissioner Andrew Repcik

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Christen Greene, Commissioner Tracy Schreiber and Commissioner Jay Spivak

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[24-1013](#) Approval of November 14, 2024 Arts Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [OAC 12.12.24 Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners shared information about past and upcoming arts events.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

[24-1014](#) Approval of 2025 Arts Walk Cover Artists

Arts Program Specialist Jessica Strauss-Tomy shared the recommendation of the 2025 Arts Walk cover jury, composed of Washington Center for the Performing Arts Gallery

Coordinator China Star, Fall Arts Walk 2024 Cover Artist Eileen Bochler, and Olympia Arts Commissioner Andrew Repcik. 32 applications were received and the jury took place on Monday, November 25, 2024. The jury recommended artists Lynette Charters for the spring Arts Walk, Mikaela Shafer for the fall event, and Megan Teutschel as alternate in case one of the other artists were unable to fulfill their agreement.

Commissioner Burlingame moved, seconded by Commissioner Garey, to approve the jury's recommendation of Lynette Charters for the spring Arts Walk, Mikaela Shafer for the fall event, and Megan Teutschel as alternate. The motion was approved.

[24-1015](#) Music Out Loud Update

Attachments: [Music Out Loud locations](#)

Olympia Downtown Alliance Projects Manager Desiree Freeland and Ms. Johnson shared information about the partnership between the Music Out Loud program and LoveOly Summerfest, noting how the events have evolved and the declining interest of busking musicians in participation and a developing interest from member of Olympia's circus and street performing communities. Formerly the emphasis had been on music performances and Commissioners were asked if in securing artists for the Music Out Loud component of LoveOly Summerfest, Ms. Freeland would be able to book the 9 available slots with any type of performance art, be it music or not, depending on how the applications came in.

While curious why the musician follow-through had dropped off, Commissioners agreed that broadening the opportunity for many types of performance would make the project stronger and more diverse. They will adjust the language in the 2025 Municipal Art Plan to reflect this change.

The information was provided.

[24-1024](#) 2025-2026 Arts Commission Work Plan and Municipal Art Plan

Ms. Johnson shared that Commissioners would see a proposed 2025 Work Plan and Municipal Art Plan in January/February for approval in March. This is an annual update.

The discussion was completed.

7. REPORTS - None

8. OTHER TOPICS - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Hoag adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.