

## Beaverton Arts Commission Board

September 13, 2017

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Beaverton Building, Beaverton City Hall, 5th Floor Columbia River Room

### Agenda

6:30 p.m. **Call to Order – Jim**

6:35 p.m. **Visitors –**

- Chris Ayzoukian, Center for the Arts update!
  - Working with the architect fleshing out the plans; in the schematic design step in the design process
    - Taking time with this to make sure that it is usable and functional in terms of operations and business management
  - Moving into the next step of the process soon
  - Theater and the Center is being designed as a place where the City can host both local and regional groups
  - On October 24<sup>th</sup>, there will be a special session for City Council with a formal update
  - Looking at expanding the theatre size (perhaps from 450 to 550); currently exploring this option
    - Larger theatre would be an incentive for touring groups
    - Coordinating with Portland for touring acts
    - The footprint of the site cannot be altered
      - Increasing the number of seats will affect the size of the lobby
      - Considering adding a large rehearsal room (about the same size of the stage) in the garage for education, rehearsal, and experimental theatre
  - Currently in a quiet phase, but soon the BAC will be approached RE: next steps and supporting the process
    - Mr. Ayzoukian will be holding focus groups in the coming weeks for BAC members; watch for emails

- o Goal is over the next year to assess if funds are in hand and the City can break ground
- o Looking at a 1-3 year timeline
- o In response to the question, "What kind of acts are you hoping to attract?"
  - Developing/emerging artists with enough cache to fill a 550 seat theatre
  - There will, of course, be a learning curve in determining what the community will support
- o In response to the question: "Are there any models out there of cities similar to Beaverton growing an Arts Center?"
  - Edmonton, Kirkland, Tracy, other places in the Pacific NW and in Northern California
- o In response to the question: "Is there a plan to design the theatre so that it can be altered into a smaller performance?"
  - The Orchestra section will be designed in a way where a smaller audience and a more intimate theatre space can be "constructed"
- o In response to the question: "Will there be an opportunity for the BAC to assist in facilitating gathering feedback from the community? And when will that happen?"
  - Yes, there will be an opportunity for this.
- o Update on the Arts Program: Looking at filling the Arts position to support the BCA and to help define even more what Arts mean in the city
- o November retreat is an opportunity to further define the BAC's role in the arts in Beaverton

7:00 p.m. **Council Updates – Councilor Arnold – excused**

**Board Business Items:**

7:00 p.m. **Sub-Committee Updates**

- BAC Community Grant & Diverse Grant Program Committee – Mary Ellen, Linda, Raziah

- Funding for smaller diverse grants (\$500 each) still available...please help spread the word!
- Social Media Committee – Jim, Rebecca, Kathryn
  - Anyone else interested in joining on a trial basis?
  - Jim:
    - Continued primary focus on Facebook
    - Considered recruiting high school students as liaisons/ may perhaps find someone who is interested in taking on expanding the BAC's social media presence
    - How can BAC's social media's presence support the BCA?
    - Email any suggestions to Jim
- Public Art Selection Committee – Meg, Shelley, Gina, Raziah, Jim
  - Projects anticipated for 2017:
    - Artistic bike racks on Broadway
      - Installation went smoothly and will add a plaque
    - Murals
      - Forest For The Trees
        - Completed!
      - C.E. John murals on Cedar Hills
        - Approved design, underway!
      - Street murals
        - Working on application materials for pending and future requests
    - Sculpture in South Beaverton
      - Installation to occur on October 28 or 29
  - Murals/ Raziah Update:
    - C.E. John has been great to work with (Creative company)
    - Will be ready to move forward in a few weeks
      - First 3 done this Fall
      - An additional done in the Spring
      - McMenamins will be bringing in their own artist
  - Other/Kourtnee Update:
    - Bike racks are in and being used and embraced
    - Forest for the Trees completed

- Progress Ridge Sculpture—90% complete; Waiting to pour the base; hoping for a 9/28 installation
- Beaverton Arts Mix! Planning Committee – Melissa, Meg, Rebecca, Shelley, Linda, Gina, Joey, Tom
  - Melissa/ Update:
    - Thursday: Girl Scouts will coordinate recycled crafts
      - Paper bead jewelry
      - Modge podge vases/banks
    - Recycled materials donations:
    - Quick Draw and Chalk Draw (10-noon)
      - First 25 to sign-up get a swag bag – spread the word!
    - Volunteers still needed—especially for the Quick Draw/Chalk Draw on Saturday morning
- Outreach Committee – Mary Ellen, Raziah, Melissa, Joey, Tom
  - Promoting Be Green in '17 through recycled art!
  - Tree Lighting activity—Sat 12/3
  - Scholarships—user friendly for students (Dollar bill?)
- More BAC Representation – Raziah, Gina
  - Farmers Market booth is available Saturdays through November, 8:30 AM-12:30 PM
    - See volunteer schedule to sign-up!
- International Festival Selection Committee – Joey, Marcie, Tom
  - International Celebration is Saturday, September 16 from 1-6PM at Tualatin Hills Athletic Center
  - Volunteers?
- Sub-committees completed for the year:
  - Student Scholarship Selection Committee
    - Complete for 2017

7:30 p.m. **Approvals**

- Minutes from August—Tabled.

7:35 p.m. **Summer Event Sign-Ups**

- Thanks to all who have volunteered so far this summer! Anything to share?
- Sign-up now or email your preferences to Kourtnee

- o Discussion of moving the Night Market because it is growing so large

7:50 p.m. **Staff Liaison Updates – Kourtnee**

- Art Projects in the Process:
  - o Vinyl Art Wraps
    - First phase of utility and traffic signal boxes to be installed this summer!
    - 17 utility and electrical boxes will be wrapped on Murray and Allen
- Arts Program Updates!
- City Updates!
- Questions?

8:00 p.m. **New Business/Reminders**

- Upcoming summer events – check the volunteer schedule!
  - o BAM Volunteers
- Refreshment Schedule – Let Kourtnee know if you have conflicts
- Board recruitment – spread the word about the BAC!
  - o Looking for BAC members who can attend an Open House on Thurs 9/14
- Holiday party ideas? –Do we want to change this up? Looking for volunteers to plan the party.
- Any other news to share?
  - o Raziah: Chalk Art Festivals
    - Forest Grove Chalk Art Festival on Saturday 9/16
  - o Melissa: BCT:
    - Cast Annie in December
    - You Can't Take It With You opens in September
    - The Legend of Sleepy Hollow in October
  - o Marcie: Portland Jewish Academy (Middle School)
    - Cast West Side Story. Will be in the Mittleman Jewish Community Center end of January

**MEETING REMINDERS:**

**Next BAC Meeting: Wednesday, October 11 from 6:30-8:30 PM, same room as today**

8:30 p.m. Adjourn...Thank you MARCIE for the refreshments!!

**Refreshment & Meeting DRAFT**

September 13: Marcie

October 11: Rebecca

November 8: RETREAT

December 6\*: \*BAC Holiday Party (date tentative due to TBD date  
for City's Boards & Commissions Dinner)