

Beaverton Arts Commission Board

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

Virtual

6:30pm - 8:00

Minutes

Commission Members: Lynn Anderson, Dr. Dr. Alison Balbag, Rebecca Benoit, James Blaich, Destry Bunnell (Alternate), Jayne Dahl, Sharon Dunham, Shelley Fagin, R. Ryan Hendricks, Shoshanna Lansberg, Sue Pike, Margaret Silloway, Gina Wilson

Absent: April Rose Castillo (excused), Sydney Trimble (excused), Shelley Fagin (excused)

Staff Liaison: Beth Tobey

Councilor Liaison: Council President Laura Mitchell (absent/excused)

6:35pm Call to Order- Dr. Dr. Alison Balbag, Chair

Grantee Spotlight: Jayanthi Raman

Jayanthi Raman Dance Company, her grant allowed her to make her events virtual with over 4500 viewing the first day and 7000 the second day people. Previous support from the BAC facilitated her event "From the Garden to the Stage". Shared video with BAC of modern Indian dance performances she choreographed with BAC. Brought folktales and storytelling to life through dance. Received Art Leadership award from BAC in 2013.

Public Comment:

Raziah- LA Strada de Pastelli (2D4D) will take place August 13th-14th in collaboration with Beaverton Night Market. Artists instructed to celebrate their heritage.

2D4D- Saturday July 17th, 11am-2 pm chalk art in front of Jan's in downtown Beaverton.

Proposed to make chalk kits for community that would be distributed by Beaverton Library with the help of 2D4D. Arts Program offered a \$2,000 sponsorship to create 500 chalk kits with studio quality pastels, information on BAC and 2D4D. Needs volunteers to help create chalk kits, August 1st. Chalk kits will be distributed August 5th at Library.

Kathy French from HRAC - Interactive art project for community members, police, and HRAC. Looking for an artist to create large "Community Welcome" piece with \$500 for artist, then additional \$500-\$1000 provided to create display. Display will have cards for community to fill out and share their thoughts on public safety. Looking to attract preschool aged to elderly persons, the display will rotate locations. Hoping to start in end of August, but flexible on timeline.

BOARD BUSINESS ITEMS:

Approvals:

Minutes:

Commissioner Blaich motioned to approve the June 9, 2021 BAC Retreat minutes as written. Commissioner Hendricks seconded. All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion passes.

Arts Commission Bylaws:

Commissioner Blaich motioned to approve the updated bylaws as written. Commissioner Dahl seconded. All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion passes.

1% for Art Presentation

Beth Tobey and Cadence Petros presented the Beaverton 1% for Art Program. Projects over \$50,000 qualify. Talked through selection panel's process on choosing a winning artist, and how artists are instructed. DEI subcommittee is working to reach more diverse artists for projects. Relevant projects in last ten years include the Reser/ Garage, Broadway Plaza, Central Library, Public Safety Building, and Beaverton Building lobby.

Upcoming projects include the Library Fountain Pump House, to create murals on the outside walls. Call to Artists (RFQ) will be drafted and finalized in the coming year.

Upcoming projects that are not part of 1%- include the Hall and Crescent Beautification project, and mural matching grant program.

Subcommittee Report Backs

Grants and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion-

Commissioner Anderson reported on meeting with Beth Tobey for reviewing grants process and involvement of BAC. Updates to demographic information in grant application. Discussion of equity and inclusion training for the BAC.

Public Art-

Commissioner Benoit informed that the City Arts Program has hired a photographer to photograph all our public art. This will help create interactive map to view pieces and information about them.

Name of plaza at the Public Safety Building at Hall and Allen has been approved as "Unity Square." A dedication event will happen this fall.

Youth Awards

Setting normal time to meet next month, working with school districts to set timelines.

Staff Liaison Updates

-2021-2022 budget has approved, 10 million dollars less than last year.

-Asking residents to save and reduce water usage this summer, as a national chlorine shortage is affecting water usage.

-Beaverton Night Market is August 13th and 14th!

8:00pm

Arts Announcements

Hendricks- Young People's Theatre Project has one more summer theatre camp for Middle school aged students. They will be doing the show "James and the Giant Peach Jr." There is still space available. If you know one middle school age students who would like to participate for 2 weeks starting on Monday they can register here: <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php>

Hendricks - Chlorine affects arts products as well, as it is used in adhesives

Benoit- Westside Shakespeare Festival this weekend in Beaverton

Raziah- Celebrate Hillsboro is Sunday, July 18th

Next Arts Commission meeting- taken August off in spirit of summer!

8:05 p.m. **Adjourn**

Submitted by Destry Bunnell