

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON

**Art Commission
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: January 27, 2009

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Arts Commission Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelley Brittingham | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laurie Haslund | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Donna DiFore | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maureen Hoffmann | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rochelle Flynn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dane Johnson | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Victoria Hall | <input type="checkbox"/> Kathy Justin | |

Staff Present:

Debbie Zemke, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Manager
Gina Kallman, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Guests:

Barbara McMichael, SOCO Culture Director
Randi Lacey, Past Burien Arts Commissioner

Minutes

Meeting called to order.

November minutes approved.

Arts Day Presentation

Barbara McMichael, SOCO Culture Director, presented on Arts Day in Olympia to be held on February 3rd, 2009. Arts Day has been held for 26 years and is sponsored by The Washington Arts Alliance. One issue to be discussed with legislators is the lodging tax which generates funds for 4-Culture and is distribute to arts and culture organizations in King County. This money is at risk. It is important to lobby legislators to maintain these funds. Shelley, Laurie and Gina will be attending Arts Day.

Review of 2009 Area of Focus (Work Plan)

Education--Victoria talked about possible new budget cuts to education in 2009, and mentioned that she did not receive the two grants she applied for in 2008. Her question is "How should the education aspect of the commission be approached for 2009?" It was suggested to contact the the Highline Excellence in the Arts, which is focused on music in the schools, to see about some type of a relationship or partnership. Another option would be to create artwork for the B/ IAS space with area school children. The commission feels the best way to go at this time would be to focus on using B/ IAS to bring the arts into the community. Rochelle will also try to contact the highline organization again to see if they will come to a meeting.

Public Art--Dane and Kathy asked that B/ IAS be a focus for 2009 as the project is tempory and unique. During 2009 a public art plan will be created by staff and commissioners to determine how spending will happen in the future.

The Arts Commission adopts the 2009 Area of Focus Plan, Maureen moves and Shelley 2nds.

AREAS OF FOCUS REPORTS

All City Arts Events—The 4th annual Empty Bowls event grew again bringing 800 people to the Moshier Art Center and raising over \$10,600.00 for the Highline Food Bank.

Burien Aesthetic Master Plan

—The Burien City Hall Interior Design Project has been put on hold at the moment until more time can be give to the development of the project. At this time the plan is to paint the walls a color and relook at the project at a future date.

--The Logo project is also on hold at the moment. The existing logo will need to be used at this time until the project is addressed to make a change.

STAFF REPORT

4-Culture 2009 Site Specific Performance Options—Gina reported on a few of the options available for 2009. These options range from dance performer Rose Cano at the Strawberry Festival to aerialist dancers Anunnaki Project performing Playground Dance at Concerts in the Park to a project called Action Nurse where artist dressed as nurses hand out “art prescriptions” at an event.

Arts Commissioners reapplication deadline is February 13th for those commissioners whose terms will be ending in March. Laurie Haslund announced that she will be resigning from the commission, so we will have two positions to fill in March.

Arts Commission Elections—we will be doing elections for 2009 officers at the February meeting. Commissioners should be thinking about their interest in the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair.

SOCO and LAA—Gina reported on the January SOCO and LAA meetings she attended. Both focused on the current economy and how it is affecting arts and cultural groups as well as cities. Both positive and negative experiences were shared, as well as creative thinking to maintain programming until the economy rebounds.

Meeting Adjourned.