



**CITY OF ALBANY  
ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION  
City Hall, Periwinkle Room  
Tuesday, April 8, 2008**

**MINUTES**

Members present: Lynn Whitacre, Susan Whitacre, Michael Moore, Glenda Fleming, Pat Kight

Absent: Jimmie Lucht, Marsha Meidinger

Others present: Joy Gilliland, Rachel Fuss (Samaritan Albany Cancer Resource Center)

Lynn Whitacre called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Minutes for the March 11, 2008 meeting were approved without discussion or dissent.

City Hall/Library Art Exhibits - Commissioners agreed to accept Linda Edwards' application to show her art in City Hall. Joy noted that the City Hall calendar for 2008 is almost filled, but that the Library has no exhibits scheduled after May 17. Commissioners asked Joy to encourage inquiring artists to consider exhibiting their work at the library; otherwise, we can add them to the City Hall schedule for 2009.

Teen Art Show - The April 26 entry deadline is approaching. Joy will send e-mail reminders to the two high school art teachers. Commissioners will meet at the Visitor Center office in Two Rivers market at noon on Saturday, April 26 to jury the entries.

There was some discussion of the contest's future if we receive few entries, and of the much larger Willamette Valley teen art contest in Philomath, which attracts entries from all over the region, and offers substantially larger money prizes. Joy has been in contact with the coordinator of that contest, who would be willing to talk to us about how they did it. Lynn will follow up.

Samaritan Albany Cancer Resource Center - Rachel Fuss, director of the new center, outlined their plans to stage a local art contest for works "reflecting experiences and emotions of people touched by cancer," in conjunction with a national traveling art exhibit they are bringing to the center. The commission shared its experiences with contest entry requirements, advertising, etc., and agreed to serve as jury for the local contest. The entry deadline is March 12, and the commission will hold its regular March 13 meeting at the Center Resource Center and jury the work immediately afterward. Joy will ask Gwen Marchese if she'd like to help.

Library % for Art - Brief discussion of Ed Gallagher's response to our request for more information about the space available for % for Art works in the main lobby and children's room. We still need to know the dimensions of the available lobby wall space, and how many pillars will be in the children's room. Joy will follow up.

ArtSpirit Newsletter: Pat Kight has volunteered to work with the ArtSpirit Editor to place a feature about Albany artist opportunities in the January issue.

Other: Reminder of May 8 Albany artists' meeting at the Senior Center Activity Room, 7 p.m. ArtCentric (Corvallis Arts Center/Linn Benton Council for the Arts) is hosting; commissioners should try to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 13, 4 p.m. at the Samaritan Albany Cancer Resource Center (next to the Albany Athletic Club, across the river from downtown, in North Albany) 400 Hickory St. NW, North Albany.

- Minutes submitted by Pat Kight