



**CITY OF ALBANY
ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
Tuesday, March 10, 2009**

MINUTES

Members present: Lynn Whitacre, Marsha Meidinger, Michael Moore, Ellen Hamill, Terry Poe, Glenda Fleming, Susan Whitacre

Staff Liaison: Joy Gilliland

Lynn Whitacre called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. The minutes from the February meeting were approved.

INFORMAL MEETINGS

It was brought to the attention of the commission that any meeting that is not posted two weeks in advance and advertised to the public will not be considered a formal meeting. The commission has been meeting informally but anything that needs to put into public record will need to be brought to a formal meeting.

1% for Art – Library

The commission has decided to contract with Judi Mintzer for the circulation desk area. Judi was asked to bring the changes that she was asked to make at the last meeting. She will put a home instead of the Portland skyline and take the rainbow and broaden it out. She put in Mt Jefferson as well. She looked up the Kalapooia Indians and said they weren't very decorative in their dress, she went with using the Alsea Indians as her guide for the painting. She wants to keep the lighthouse as it shows a part of the coast. She made the book larger and the hands smaller. She added trees above the horses head too. These were the main changes that she wanted to make to the painting. She will make sure it flows. There was some concern if Indians were included but the commission believes that they are a part of the history of the city. Judi's work was approved and she understands that the installation of the piece is a part of the artist's costs.

Cheryl French's design's was accepted as the artist for the children's portion of the proposal. Both artists will receive contracts once they have been approved by the commission and the city.

Both pieces will need to be completed by June 30, 2009, unless otherwise arranged.

Joy received several requests from artists who weren't accepted who would like some feedback on why they weren't accepted. Those artists who would like a call were Teri Sokoloff, Caradon, and Alicia Basham. The commission will contact them and give feedback and will let them know they are welcome to be an exhibitor at city hall.

The Commission had gathered more addresses and emails for sculptors and Joy will add them to the list. The new proposal will be mailed out this week.

Ed Hodney of the Rotary Club of Albany came to one of the informal meetings and would like to partner with the Arts Commission and provide \$8,000 to help fund the sculpture for the library. They would like to be a part of the selection for the sculpture and a plaque with their name on it and commemorating Russell Tripp. Ed would also like to see the Call to Artist before it is sent out.

Joy was asked to email Ed Gallagher to find out when the new hanging systems would be installed at the library so the Arts Commission can get started getting artists to exhibit.

APPOINTMENTS

Lynn Whitacre was appointed as the chair for the Arts Commission for the 2009 year. Glenda Fleming was nominated and appointed the vice-chair.

Marsha Meidinger would like to be the lead person for the Teen Art Show. Ellen Hamill would like to be the lead for the City Hall and Library Exhibitors. She would also like to see more of the downtown area have art shows.

Lynn will work with Ellen on how to get artists to exhibit. Joy will send Ellen the list of the past and current exhibitors.

CITY HALL EXHIBITORS

Edith Morris was accepted as an exhibitor for city hall. Ellen will contact her and let her know she can exhibit in April.

There was discussion about city hall exhibitors hanging their work for two months. The consensus was that one month allows more artists to hang and be seen.

TEEN ART SHOW

It was asked if the website had been updated to reflect the ages accepted for the Teen Art. These changes were made to say grades 9-12.

Joy submitted the grant application for \$1000 to the Rotary Club of Albany.

Michael received a \$50 gift certificate from Pegasus Frame Studio & Gallery to use as a prize for the Teen Art Show. Bill of Pegasus would like a receipt showing he donated this amount.

OTHER

Joy found the mission statement for the Arts Commission and gave a copy to all the members

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Next Month's Agenda

No agenda was set for the next month.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 14, 2009 in the Periwinkle room at 4 p.m.

Minutes taken by Joy Gilliland