



**CITY OF ALBANY
ARTS COMMISSION
Calapooia Room, Albany City Hall
Tuesday, August 14, 2012
3:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Commission members present: Melissa Babcock Saylor (Chair), Linda Herd, Lynn Whitacre, Billie Moore, Liz Montague, Chuck Leland

Commission members absent: Oscar Hult

Staff present: Ed Hodney, Parks & Recreation Director; Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant I

Guest present: William Willsey, Alicia Willsey

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Chuck Leland moved to approve the July 10, 2012, minutes as presented. Liz Montague seconded the motion, and it **passed** 6-0.

3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

William Willsey presented several pieces of his original art for possible display in the Phantom Art Gallery. The Commission chose 3 pieces to display.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Phantom Art Gallery

The gallery has been relocated within the Flinn Block building.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Linda will place Willsey's pieces in the gallery.

b. Going to Pots

Going to Pots will be held October 18–20, 2012. Artists drop off items Wednesday, October 17, and pick up any unsold items Sunday, October 21, 2012.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Debbie will contact Ken Hart regarding space at Two Rivers Market.
- Debbie will update news release and call to artists' letter for distribution.
- Lynn will have flyer updated.

c. Flag Sculpture

A model of the flag sculpture was presented, which has incorporated the Commissioners' previous requested changes. Brief discussion followed.

MOTION: Liz Montague moved to accept the sculpture and installation plan as presented. Linda Herd seconded the motion, and it **passed** 6-0.

d. Albany Artist Show

70 pieces were accepted to the 2nd Albany Juried Exhibition of Fine Art, sponsored by Albany Painting Enthusiasts (APES) and Friends in Partnership with the Albany Arts Commission.

The reception on Friday, September 7, 2012 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. will be held at the Guistina Gallery in the LaSells Stewart Center, Oregon State University.

e. Pop-up Arts Activity Center

The next event will be held at Northwest Art & Air Festival (NWAAF) Sunday, August 26, 2012, 11:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Melissa and Linda will present the activity.

Monthly schedule:

- October: Cheryl French (?)
- December: Liz Montague
- February: Billie Moore
- April:
- June:

Melody Olsen from Heritage Mall is working on securing a budget for supplies. Marketing concepts were briefly discussed which included tying to the businesses located in the mall with coupons or other promotional discounts.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Linda will follow-up with Maureen Frank regarding the mandala for NWAAF.
- Billie will contact Cheryl French regarding the October activity.
- Liz will contact Marsha Metinger.

5. ACTION ITEMS

- Melissa has not been able to contact Rebecca Landis for information on available space at the Farmers' Market. Linda offered to follow-up. Suggested dates are September 8 or 29.
- Chuck has completed the NWAAF schedule for artist demonstrations.
- Draft of a banner for Commission activities was presented. Spelling and format corrections were suggested.

MOTION: Lynn Whitacre moved to accept the banner with corrections. Billie Moore seconded the motion, and it **passed** 6-0.

6. EXHIBITS

Judy Casad has submitted an application to display in 2012. Her work is primarily abstract floral, beach scenes, and herons. Media include oil; acrylic, gold leaf, photography, and custom drift wood frames.

ACTION ITEM:

- Melissa will contact Judy for scheduling.

7. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION

River Rhythms Flash Mob

Over 100 people participated in the flash mob on August 2, 2012 before the River Rhythms concert. General positive feedback has been received.

Melissa Babcock Saylor suggested another retreat in October to revisit outcomes of the last retreat, and create a long-term action plan.

ACTION ITEM:

- Melissa will contact John Boock regarding location.

Artist Social

The Commission would like to hold its next social in September. Montague will make arrangements with Calapooia Brewing.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is September 11, 2012, at 3:30 p.m. in the Calapooia Room in City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Debbie Little, Administrative Assistant I, Albany Parks & Recreation