## **BLOOMINGTON ARTS COMMISSION**

## FULL COMMISSION MEETING

March, 13, 2024, 5:15 to 6:30 pm

Hybrid Meeting: Present in person-Holly, Gerard, Leila, Paul, Gretchen, Christina, Chaz, Rob, Karen, Suzanne Present remote-Nia

## AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Welcome
  - a. New Commissioners- Paul Anderson and Gretchen Nall
- 2. BAC Minutes/Financials
  - a. Feb minutes approved
  - b. No changes to financials
  - c. Extra \$25,000 in grant funding, and Holly is hopeful to increase this further next year
  - d. Larger grants v. smaller ones in lieu of staffing
- 3. Staff update Holly
  - a. Jane Kupersmith will attend BAC meeting in April
  - b. Correspondence Club collaboration-we have requested a new scholar-undergraduate student Drew Collins, he gets free tuition + housing,, can work for all 4 years at IU with us, National Honor Society for the Arts, majoring in Comprehensive Design for the Ezkenazi School, he has suggested a postcard project-connecting the community through individuals making postcards. Themes this year: Eclipse, Art of Handwriting, Welcome to Bloomington
- 4. Update: Public Art Holly Warren for Natalie Almanza, chair
  - a. Hopewell Call for Qualifications is out now, open through March 29. 5 finalists will be selected to visit Bloomington, travel expenses for those out of town, 2 have been submitted already
  - b. Gateway Project–what has been publicly announced is that Parks is working with Landscape company to move from vertical to horizontal design. Parks approached BAC and asked if we want to be involved. We do. So they are willing to give us \$100,000 for a piece of public art. We will have our next public art committee meeting on the site April 9th to discuss next steps.
  - c. Update on Public Art Master Plan, next step is to think about how to relaunch the call for proposals
- 5. Update: Grants Elliot Josephine Leila, chair
  - a. We have record funds to give this year and we are coming up on first cycle now
  - b. There was an open information session at the Monroe County Public library–good response
  - c. Tomorrow grants meeting at Dunlap Room 235 11 am to strategize
- 6. From your Chair Gerard
  - a. Updating local code (see handout)--Common Council has updated code and Holly has drafted some revisions to our By-Laws
  - b. We will vote on this in the April meeting
- 7. <u>Upcoming events and important dates</u>

- a. New folks can be added by emailing Holly and Chaz their contact information, Also steer them to the BAC Survey online–City of Bloomington Artists' Database
- b. BAC end-of-year party Thursday, December 12, Location TBD
- 8. Commissioner Announcements
  - a. Recognize passing of Peter Lapilato last month (Ryder)
  - b. Fundraiser for BLEM on March 23, Spring Soiree 7:00 9:00
- 9. Public comment
  - a. Rachael Keown, printmaker introduced herself. She is involved is the postcard project
- 10. Call to adjourn

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