## **BLOOMINGTON ARTS COMMISSION**

## FULL COMMISSION MEETING

April 10, 2024, 5:15 to 6:30 pm

Hybrid Meeting: In person: Gerard, Natalie, Paul, Christina, Betsy, Karen, Holly, Suzanne, Gretchen Remote: Nia, Pauly

## AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Welcome
- 2. BAC Minutes/Financials
  - a. Nothing has changed from last month. We still have \$141,017 in grant funds, \$5,000 in emerging artist funds, and in public art funds \$16, 500.
  - b. This will change in a couple of weeks when grants are reviewed and awarded.
- 3. Staff update Holly
  - a. Welcome Jane Kupersmith, Director, Economic and Sustainable Development
  - b. Jane expresses that the arts as economic development is important in the city at large.
- 4. Commissioner Feedback- Gallery Walk presentation by Natalie Almanza, Gallery Walk Chair and Gallery Walk members
  - a. Natalie wants to connect outside our gallery walk bubble and is thinking about post-covid strategies.
  - b. Suuzanne Halvorsen, Michelle Colman, Bethany ? who represent Gallery Walk joined us.
  - c. Gallery Walk representatives brought up the possibility of financial aid for profits, and Michelle suggested expanding the Arts District to include Venue because many opportunities for grants, etc. through the city are based on that geography.
- 5. Update: Public Art Natalie Almanza, Subcommittee Chair
  - a. We will meet April 26 on site at the Bicentennial Entry Point on North Walnut to envision what we might want for public art installations.
  - b. We have 5 applications for Hopewell and will proceed with review on them.
  - c. We are recommending a rolling grant cycle for public art master plan grants.
  - d. We are thinking about community groups to approach to encourage application for public arts master plan grants.
- 6. Update: Grants Christina Elem on behalf of Elliot Josephine Leila, Subcommittee Chair
  - a. Arts project grants cycle ended, 45 applications, will review next weekend.
  - b. Pauly is working on emerging artist call.
  - c. Natalie attended grant workshop, part 2 will be in the fall, and she will attend.
- 7. From your Chair Gerard
  - a. Updating local code (see updates marked in pink <u>here</u>) will be postponed until next meeting
  - b. Gerard will check in with new commissioners.
- 8. <u>Upcoming events and important dates</u>
- 9. Commissioner Announcements
- 10. Public comment
- 11. Call to adjourn

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