

BLOOMINGTON ARTS COMMISSION

FULL COMMISSION MEETING

July 9, 2025, 5:15 to 6:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting:

In person: Gerard, Natalie, Leila, Robert, Betsy, Nada, Christina

Online: Nia

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order/Welcome
2. BAC Minutes/Financials
 - a. Minutes from the May 2025 meeting were distributed and approved
 - a. Holly reported that we gave out \$167, 537 in grant funding to spend and we have already spent \$62,000 on Arts Project grants. Waiting for contracts from the legal department to disperse funds.
 - b. Holly will meet with the new legal representative to try to expedite the payment process for grant recipients. Over \$100, 000 funds to give out for upcoming grant projects.
 - c. Chaz has encumbered funds for the arts workshops this year.
 - d. There is public art funding of \$16,500 available.
2. City updates
 - a. Holly has added our names and term limits to the agenda. Also added is the information to access these meetings on CATS.
3. Update: Public Art - Natalie Almanza, Subcommittee Chair
 - a. Will discuss convention center goals as the project is starting.
 - b. Traffic boxes are being painted right now.
 - c. Undulate installation is starting in early fall.
 - d. There was discussion about the public mural painted on West Allen Street and South Fairview for traffic calming.
4. Update: Grants - Elliot Josephine Leila Reichert, Grants Subcommittee Chair
 - a. Artistic advancement cycle has attracted over 100 applications so Leila will ask for volunteers to read through the grants. Last year there were 70 applications.
 - a. Leila is begging people to fill out the doodle form so the meetings can be scheduled.
 - b. We will be using the system to evaluate the applications.
2. From your Chair - Gerard
 - a. Suzanne moved out of the city and cannot be on the commission. There is a slot open on the commission. Gerard is asking for recommendations.
 - b. Task force on the strategic guidelines will begin meeting again soon.
3. Upcoming events and important dates

- a. WFHB fundraiser at the Bluebird.
- b. First Friday at Rose is sounds sculpture.
- c. Saturday is girls rock camp is moving out of Maxwell Hall. This is a fundraiser.
- d. Discussion about loss of funding for arts organizations. Natalie is working on a survey to organizations asking about loss of funding.

4. Commissioner Announcements
 - a. Granfalloon went well. Handmade market had the best day ever.
5. Public comment
 - a. No public comment.
6. Call to adjourn

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