

Bloomington Arts Commission

Full Commission Meeting

April 8, 2026

5:15pm to 6:30pm

This meeting will be held in the McCloskey Conference Room 135 located in City Hall, 401 North Morton Street. This meeting may also be accessed via zoom at the following link:

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Agenda

1. Call to Order & Roll Call
 - a. Chair Nada Abdelrahim absent. Gerard Pannekoek to conduct meeting.
2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - a. February 2026 Minutes
3. Staff report
 - a. Financial Report
 - b. Hiring updates: Assistant Director of the Arts & Special Projects Manager
 - c. Arts Projects Support Grants status
4. From your Chair - Nada Abdelrahim
 - a. Welcome new Commissioner Austin White (Common Council appointment)
 - b. Meeting attendance
5. Public Art - Christina Elem, Subcommittee Chair
 - a. Commissioner participation in Trades District mural selection (CCC grant)
6. Grants - Gerard Pannekoek & Paul Anderson, Subcommittee Co-Chairs
 - a. Arts Projects Support Grants
 - i. Updates to Guidelines and Ineligible Expenses language
 - ii. Applications now open and accessible here: Grants, Opportunities, and Professional Development | City of Bloomington, Indiana
7. [Upcoming events & important dates](#)
8. Commissioner Comments & Announcements
9. Public Comment
10. Call to Adjourn

Commission Membership

Pursuant to applicable law and policy, and in compliance with Indiana Code 5-14-9-6, the following details are provided regarding the officers serving on this committee:

Commissioner	Appointed By	Appointment Date	Term
Nada Abdelrahim (Chair)	Mayor	2/1/2025	2/1/2025 - 1/31/2028
Paul Anderson (Grants Co-Chair)	Common Council	2/28/2024	2/1/2024 - 1/31/2027
Christina Elem (Public Art Chair)	Mayor	2/1/2026	2/1/2026 - 1/31/2029
Lynn Hooker	Common Council	9/30/2025	2/1/2025 - 1/31/2028
Brandie Macdonald	Mayor	9/19/2025	2/1/2025 - 1/31/2028
Gretchen Nall	Mayor	2/21/2024	2/1/2024 - 1/31/2027
Gerard Pannekoek, Grants Co-Chair	Common Council	2/1/2026	2/1/2026 - 1/31/2029
Robert Shakespeare	Common Council	2/1/2024	2/1/2024 - 1/31/2027
Betsy Stirratt	Mayor	2/9/2024	2/1/2024 - 1/31/2027
Austin White	Common Council	2/18/2026	2/1/2026 - 1/31/2029
Vacant	Mayor		

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