

BLOOMINGTON ARTS COMMISSION

FULL COMMISSION MEETING

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

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

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order/Welcome
2. BAC Minutes/Financials
 - a. Minutes approved
 - b. Financials: No changes since last month. We started the year with \$141,017 to allocate for our three grant cycles of the year. We have spent for the first two cycles \$90,416 which leaves us approximately \$50,000 for the artistic advancement cycle. We plan to use all the rest of the funds for that cycle. The total amount allotted next year will go up \$25,000.
 - c. We started the year with \$5,000 for emerging artist development workshops. WE have had 2 successful workshops. We spent \$1500 for the first, and anticipate one more workshop after which our funds will be tapped out until next year.
 - d. We still have \$16,500 on public arts grants. These are funds carried over from last year associated with the launch of the Public Art Master Plan. We are planning to use that on our community art grants.
3. Staff update - Holly
 - a. Board and Commissions Appreciation event 12/6/2024, 5:30- 7pm, Waldron Arts Center
4. Update: Public Art -
 - a. Christina reports that the Duke mural project was a success. There were over 50 volunteers who came out throughout the day. Artists have completed the first installment.
 - b. Holly reports that OT987, a public arts project started in 2019, a 1% for the Arts project. The concrete foundation has been poured, and the electronic conduit is ready for the artist to complete when he arrives at Bloomington in April.
 - c. Holly reported that the Miller-Showers public arts project RFQ has not gone public yet because City Legal needs to look at it, and we have decided to postpone it until after the holidays anyway.
5. Update: Grants -Leila, Grants Subcommittee Chair
 - a. Leila reports that the committee had a good meeting on the arts advancement grants. The applications will be reviewed by Leila, Gerard and Holly and then sent out to the committee. The change in the grant name and method for allocating funds for individual applicants is an improvement and should streamline the process in the future.
 - b. Leila reiterated that she would be stepping down at the end of this year, but willing to advise and consult with the incoming new grants committee, whoever that will be .She will provide a role and responsibilities statement for those who are considering.
6. From your Chair - Gerard
 - a. Gerard mentions that we need a grants committee chair starting in January.
 - b. He also mentions that there will be a BAC spot opening up for February. It is Karen's

position, which is a mayoral appointment. Since she is the Secretary, that position will also be open.

- c. Holly and Gerard will be presenting at the December 4 City Council meeting and invite all BAC members to come.
- 7. [Upcoming events and important dates](#)
- 8. Commissioner Announcements
 - a. Suzanne: IU Opera premiere The Amazing Advantures of Kavalier and Clay
 - b. Chaz: A workshop about inequality in the arts at O'Neill School on Zoom
 - c. Gretchen: Misfit Market, always first Friday but from 12:00 to 6:00
 - d. Chaz: New Eclipse Production at Waldron
- 9. Public comment: "You all seem like a very fun group."
- 10. Call to adjourn

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