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Date: December 9, 2019

Location: 747 Market Street, Room 248

Time: 5:00 pm

Commission Members in Attendance:

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Commission Members Excused Absence:

Michelle Douglas

1. Call to Order

Summary Minutes

Tacoma Arts Commission

Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality Tacoma Venues & Events

These minutes accompany the recorded meeting of the Tacoma Arts Commission, which is available at www.cityoftacoma.org/tacagendaminutes.

Staff Present:

Amy McBride, Tacoma Arts Administrator

Naomi Strom-Avila, Funding & Cultural Programs Manager

Rebecca Solverson, Public Art Specialist Chevi Chung, Community Programs Specialist

Guests Present: Don Lacky Adam Cook Ben Maestas

5:05 pm (00:15) Chair Conklin

Chair Conklin called the meeting to order and recognized that the meeting was held on Indigenous land: the traditional homelands of the Puyallup people.

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"We gratefully acknowledge that we rest on the traditional lands of the Puyallup People where they make their home and speak the Lushootseed language."

2. Consent Agenda

5:05 pm (00:30) Chair Conklin

Commissioner Douglas had an excused absence.

Chair Conklin asked for a motion to approve the agenda, as well as minutes from the November meeting.

There was a motion: "I so move."

Motion: Sarah Woodson

Second: Lynn Wilmot-Stenehjem

Motion: Carried

3. Chair's Report

5:06 pm (01:15) Chair Conklin

Chair Conklin recognized the commissioners whose terms were ending – Davis Freeman, Liesl Santkuyl, Johnaye Kendrick, and Paul Throne. New commissioners Elizabeth Pew, Ben Maestas, and Olivia Allison will begin their terms at the next meeting. Another person will be selected and appointed in early 2020.

4. Action Items

a. 2020 Arts Projects Funding Recommendations

5:07 pm (02:52)

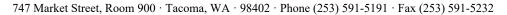
Staff presented the 2020 Arts Projects funding recommendations. Twenty-seven of the 48 applications received were recommended for funding. Commissioners who served on the panel discussed their experience and how the \$96,000 was distributed. Commissioners shared their experiences on the panel, discussed, and asked questions. The following funding recommendations were proposed:

Organization	Project Title	Recommended
9th and 10th Horse Cavalry	,	
Buffalo Soldiers Museum	Story time - The Journey of the Buffalo Soldiers	\$3,000
	22nd Annual Asia Pacific New Year Celebration	
Asia Pacific Cultural Center	featuring Vietnam	\$6,000
Barefoot Collective	Expanding Modern Dance Communities	\$3,000
Bates Technical College	Family Paint Nights	\$3,000

Centro Latino SER Jobs for		
Progress	Latin Arts and Youth Expressions	\$3,000
Chinese Reconciliation Project		
Foundation	Tacoma Moon Festival	\$3,000
Destiny City Film Festival	2020 Destiny City Film Festival	\$3,000
Fab-5	Black Artists Meetup + Showcase	\$6,000
Greentrike (Children's Museum		
of Tacoma)	Art Sparks	\$3,000
	Bringing glass art education to public audiences in	
Hilltop Artists in Residence	Tacoma	\$6,000
	Tacoma Wayzgoose: Letterpress and Book Arts	
King's Bookstore LLC	Extravaganza	\$3,000
	Wandering Locals: Eight Neighborhoods. One tour.	
KnownFor Solutions	On a bike.	\$3,000
Latinx Unidos Del South Sound	Festival Latinx 2020	\$3,000
McKinley Hill Street Fair	McKinley Hill Street Fair	\$6,000
Metropolitan Glass, Inc.	The Monkeyshine Project	\$3,000
PCAF (Pierce County AIDS		
Foundation)	World AIDS Day Condom Couture	\$3,000
Puget Sound Book Artists	SeniorsWriteTacoma	\$3,000
Queer Life	History of Female Impersonation on Stage	\$3,000
	Tacoma Refugee Choir Performance Featuring	
Refugee Choir Project	South Cape Children's Choir	\$3,000
Tacoma Art Museum	SOULstice Festival	\$3,000
	Community Engagement in Professional Regional	
Tacoma Arts Live	Theater	\$3,000
Tacoma Ocean Fest	Tacoma Ocean Fest 2020	\$3,000
Tacoma Urban Performing Arts		
Center, T.U.P.A.C.	Harriet: The Black Swan	\$6,000
Tacoma Youth Symphony		
Association	Season Finales: 2019-20 Season	\$3,000
Ted Brown Music Outreach	Live It OutLoud 2020	\$3,000
Washington State Historical		
Society	In the Spirit 2020	\$3,000
Write253	Louder Than a Bomb-Tacoma Teen Poetry Festival	\$3,000

There was a motion: "I move that we approve these recommendations."

Motion: Paul Throne Second: James Stowe Motion: Carried





b. Panel Stipend Policy

5:18 pm (13:10)

Staff shared the proposed policy and rates for compensation for community panelists serving on selection committees for funding, public art, and other Office of Arts & Cultural Vitality opportunities. The new policy will be implemented immediately.

Commissioners discussed, asked questions, and provided feedback.

There was a motion: "I make a motion to approve."

Motion: Liesl Santkuyl

Second: Lynn Wilmot-Stenehjem

Motion: Carried

c. Panelist Demographics Survey

5:27 pm (22:20)

Staff shared the proposed demographics survey questions that will be updated on all applications and asked of panelists serving on selection committees.

Commissioners discussed, asked questions, and provided feedback.

There was a motion: "I make a motion to adopt the panelist demographic survey as a working document, modifying as necessary."

Motion: Wanda Thompson Second: Heather Conklin

Motion: Carried

5. Staff Check In

a. Tacoma Creates 5:48 pm (43:10)

Staff presented an overview of Tacoma Creates updates: City Council passed the Tacoma Creates ordinance into law, funding initiating soon, free ORCA bus passes to all Tacoma Public School high school students, call for Tacoma Creates advisory board members launching, new ELO after-school programs selected for early 2020.

b. Staff Projects Overview and Updates / Public Art Updates

6:10 pm (1:05:20)

Staff shared updates on the following projects: Susan Zoccola's pieces along the Thea Foss waterway are being installed next week, Sun King sculpture will be temporarily moved while Environmental Services completes work on the site, RYAN! Feddersen's artwork along the Prairie Line Trail was vandalized and will be repaired.

6. Report Back

a. Advocacy Reports

6:12 pm (1:07:02)

There were no updates.

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b. Funded Project Updates/Arts Events Attended

6:12 pm (1:07:02)

Commissioners shared arts events and venues that they attended, upcoming events, or events they have been involved with including: Sasha LaPointe's reading at UWT.

c. Future Agenda Items for Consideration

6:14 pm (01:09:00)

There were no updates.

Meeting adjourned at 6:14 pm

