



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE and  
VISUAL ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

Thursday, April 21, 2016  
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM  
David Gebhard Public Meeting Room  
630 Garden Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
[www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov)

**Arts Advisory Committee Members Present:** Robert Adams, Chair, Nina Dunbar, William Smithers, Marylove Thralls, Nathan Vonk, vice-chair, Margie Yahyavi

**Arts Advisory Committee Members Absent:** Elizabeth Owen

**Staff Present:**

SB County Arts Commission Staff: Sarah York Rubin, Executive Director SBCAC, Maiza Hixson, Chief Curator SBCAC, Hannah Rubalcava, Grants Manager SBCAC  
City of Santa Barbara Staff: Nina Johnson, Asst. to the City Administrator City of SB

**Visual Art in Public Places Committee Present:** Judy Nilsen, Chair, Jacqueline Dyson, Susan Keller

**Visual Art in Public Places Committee Absent:** Darian Bleecher, Phyllis de Picciotto, Martha Gray, Mary Heebner

**Liaisons Present:** Michael Drury, HLC

**Liaisons Absent:** Frank Hotchkiss, City Council, Courtney Miller, ABR

**CALL TO ORDER OF CITY ARTS ADVISORY R. Adams 3:38 PM**

**WELCOME NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**ROLL CALL**

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA- None**

**PUBLIC COMMENT- None**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. Approval of the Minutes**

Recommendation: That the Committee waive further reading and approve minutes from the regular meeting of November 15, 2015. *M/S/C Abstentions: Smithers. Motion Carries.*

Recommendation: That the Committee waive further reading and approve minutes from the regular meeting of February 18, 2016. *M/S/C Vonk, Dunbar. Motion carries.*

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

**A. Historical Roles and Responsibilities for Arts Advisory and VAPP Members**

Nina Johnson of the City of Santa Barbara presented the roles and responsibilities of the Arts Advisory and VAPP committees. Copy of presentation to Committees attached to minutes.

**B. Establish a Retreat Date to Review the Arts Advisory Committee Bylaws**

A motion was made to table a bylaws review committee. M/S/C Adams, Smithers. *Motion tabled.*

**C. Establish committees for the Community Arts and Organizational Development Grant Panels**

Smithers, Adams, and Yahyavi volunteered to serve on the Community Arts Grant Panel and Vonk, Thralls, and Dunbar volunteered to serve on the Organizational Development Grant Panel.

**D. Community Arts Workshop-N.Vonk/J. Nilsen**

Vonk provided an update on the Community Arts Workshop. Currently they are still fundraising to complete the project and are preparing for Solstice to use the space.

**E. Presentation of final artwork for Fess Parker Fence**

Nathalie Gensac of Youth Interactive presented a sample of the final banners of the La Entrada Postcard mural project that will hang on the fence at the Fess Parker Doubletree Hotel.

**F. Presentation of Funk Zone Public Art Program/Status and Silo Mural**

Marcello Ricci of the Santa Barbara Arts Fund presented the Silo Mural project from the Funk Zone and discussed the Funk Zone public art program.

**G. Courtesy Presentation of Berkus Collection Exhibition at City Hall Gallery and Campos de Ensueños Exhibition at Channing Peake Gallery**

Maiza Hixson, Chief Curator of the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission presented the Campos de Ensueños exhibition that will be opening on May 5, 2016 at the Channing Peake Gallery.

**COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

**Subject: Executive Director Report**

- Arts Symposium- The symposium is on hold until June. Currently staff is looking for a space and suggestions on content. It was suggested by N. Dunbar that initial discussion on Master Plan be part of the content.
- Airport Art Committee (POAC) hasn't convened again and meetings have been postponed.
- Crescent Crossing Re-dedication proposed date is June 16 from 6-6:30.

Mr. Smithers wanted follow up on the status of the Chromatic Gate cleaning/restoration. At a previous meeting he shared the name of the person that helped during the last cleaning/restoration and wanted follow-up on the status of that project.

**ADJOURNMENT M/S/C Vonk, Smithers Meeting Adjourned at 5:11 PM**

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**CALL TO ORDER VISUAL ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE**

## **ROLL CALL 5:12 PM**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

#### **COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

##### **Chief Curator's Report- M. Hixson**

Selected Highlights From the Barry Berkus and Family Art Collection -April 25, 2016-January 2017; Artists include: R. Anthony Askew, Ginny Brush, Steven Cortright, Bob DeBris, Linda Ekstrom, Dane Goodman, Ann Hamilton, Ed Inks, Patrick McClure, Leonardo Nuñez, Keith Puccinelli, Richard Ross, Elena Siff, Joan Tanner, and Kim Yasuda

**Campos de Ensueños” at Channing Peake Gallery**, “Campos de Ensueños” will be on view in the Channing Peake Gallery from May 5, 2016- August 26, 2016.

Curatorial Report: Gave a tour of the Channing Peake Galleries and Berkus Collection to UCSB Art Students today; presented at a UCSB Art Museum Career Panel, serving as juror for MCA's architectural pavilion competition to create a mobile satellite version of the MCA that will be programmed and travel to diverse neighborhoods across the city of Santa Barbara. Curatorial Guidelines – Are currently being reviewed by County Council and an addendum to the guidelines regarding deaccessioning artworks is being considered. At this time there are no approved guidelines for distribution. Speaking to Youth Interactive this Saturday about Curating and Youth Interactive are bringing students to the opening of Campos de Ensueños. Recruiting interns for spring summer. Emily Erb Exhibition – Postponed until artist can commit to exhibition schedule

##### **Rededication of Crescent Crossing on June 16, 6-6:30**

##### **Exhibitions:**

American Institute of Architects exhibition closes on April 22. April 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday was successful with multiple presentations by award winning architects. Drove to Ventura to pick up work for Campos de Enueños to be installed in Channing Peake from May 1-5. Event: *Campos de Ensueños* Exhibition Reception; Dates: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday on May 5, 2016 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.; *Campos De Ensueños* will be on view in the Channing Peake Gallery from; May 5-August 26, 2016. Maiza and artists will be speaking to Youth Interactive students who will be attending. Tequio Youth Group will perform in Planning Commission Hearing Room, Oaxacan music and food. Please let us know how we can reach out to young audiences.

Successfully deinstalled City Hall Gallery, Ray Strong Exhibition April 8, returned all artwork.

LightWorks Isla Vista opens May 19-21. Artists Danial Nord will be in residence creating at Santa Barbara Center for Art, Science, and Technology. Meeting with Kim Yasuda on Thursday April 14 to discuss opening details. The judges selected 17 artists, 9 projects: Madeline Berger, Mitchell Jakubka, Jamie Birkett:

This project is an interactive, community based art installation that highlights and celebrates the intersection of people's experiences and art. Using blue LED light, Berger and team members will illuminate the memories of those who were lost and injured in Isla Vista by bridging our separate communities and creating something hopeful, beautiful and powerful. Whether the community uses the installation to provide a sense of “breaking free,” to connect with fellow participants, or to feel enveloped in soothing light, Berger, Jakubka, and Birkett hope that participants will take advantage of the many cathartic elements of the piece.

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**ADJOURNMENT M/S/C KELLER/DYSON Meeting Adjourned at 5:20 PM**

The next meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2016, from 3:30-5:00pm in the David Gebhard Public Meeting Room.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT:**

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