



Arts Advisory

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

City Arts Advisory Committee and Visual Arts in Public Places (VAPP) Committee Minutes

Thursday, September 20, 2012 • 3:30 - 5:00 pm
David Gebhard Public Meeting Room
630 Garden Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Arts Advisory Committee Members Present:

Phyllis de Picciotto, Chair; Suzanne Fairly-Green, Vice-Chair; Robert Adams, Roman Baratiak, Darian Bleecher, Carol Taylor Nathan Vonk

Arts Advisory Committee Members Absent:

None

Visual Art in Public Places Committee Members Present:

Darian Bleecher, Teen Conlon, Suzanne Fairly-Green, Phyllis de Picciotto, Jacqueline Dyson, Martha Gray, Mary Heebner

Visual Art in Public Places Committee Members Absent:

Judy Nilsen, Chair; Susan Keller

Liaisons Present:

Frank Hotchkiss (City Council), Paul Zink, (ABR), Barry Winick (HLC)

Liaisons Absent:

Judith Cook (Parks & Recreation)

Staff: Ginny Brush, Executive Director

Rita Ferri, Visual Arts Coordinator/Curator of Collections

Linda Gardy, Business Specialist II

Leslee Sipress, Recording Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order by Phyllis de Picciotto at 3:31 PM and roll was called.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - None
3. **ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE** - Phyllis de Picciotto, Chair

A. Approval of Minutes – Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2012 were approved as submitted: *MSC:Adams/Fairly-Green*

B. Director's Report - Ginny Brush

The Committee heard updates on:

1. **Arts Commission's City/County 2012-13 Contract:** On September 11th, the Board of Supervisors morning meeting and the City Council's afternoon meeting approved the partnership agreement between the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Santa Barbara to contract with the Arts Commission to provide administer City arts and cultural programs including the annual City arts grants program. City grant recommendations from Events & Festivals committees were approved as presented. This year there was a total of 75 applicants, 67 of which were awarded funds.
2. **California Arts Council SLPP Grant Funding:** The California Arts Council is meeting to review and approve grant recommendations for State and Local

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Partnership Grants. Arts Commission expects to receive notification of our grant amount by the end of September. SLPP grant funds require a “match” from the City of Santa Barbara and the County.

3. **Cultural Arts Enrichment (CAE) Grants:** The Arts Commission has begun its second round of **Community Art Enrichment Grants**, which are County-wide grants with funding support through a partnership of the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation. The \$25,000 in grant funding will be available September 1st online and must be submitted online by September 30th. Grants will be reviewed by a committee made up of Arts Commissioners from 1st, 3rd and 4th Districts as well as a member of the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation. Grants will be reviewed on October 16th and announced the first week of November.
4. **Results of the Americans for the Arts “Arts & Economic Prosperity IV Study”:** On October 4th the results will be presented at the Lobero Theatre and a reception will follow on the Patio. Randy Cohen*, Vice President of Policy for Americans for the Arts will present detailed information and compare National results and trends to our Santa Barbara County study. The Santa Barbara Conference and Visitors Bureau & Film Commission will also be providing information on the economic impact of Cultural Tourism. A Press Release and a Save the Date notice was sent out to all City Grant applicants.
5. **Proclamations for October as National Arts & Humanities month:** Staff has arranged for Proclamations to be presented at the Board of Supervisors meeting in Santa Barbara and at Santa Barbara City Council on Tuesday, October 2nd. In addition to the usual language about the importance of Arts & Culture and artists in our community, language was included that focuses on the economic contributions of arts organizations and their audiences.
6. **The City Arts Alliance Mural Projects:** A number of completed Mural Projects have been very successful, including the most recent “Rise Above” Mural at Bohnett Park. Arts Alliance a program of the City Parks & Recreation Department has been invited to make a presentation at the Arts Advisory meeting in October.
7. **Revised Public Art DVD:** Staff is working with Tony Ruggieri of City TV on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and script outline. A list of new interviews and upcoming photo ops is also being developed.
8. **Chromatic Gate Restoration:** In August the Arts Commission raised over \$79,000 in private funds for restoration of the Herbert Bayer’s Chromatic Gate. Now begins the process of coordinating with various City departments to establish a process and timeline for the restoration. The intention is to complete the restoration this fall prior to the beginning of the rainy season.

C. Update on the Funk Zone – Nathan Vonk

Flyers were circulated announcing the October 6th “Focus On the Funk Zone” event, including an invitation to a special tour “art crawl” by Nathan of the “secret places” in the Funk Zone.

4. **VISUAL ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE** – Suzanne Fairly-Green, Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 3:54 pm.

A. Announcements :

1. Ginny Brush announced that Sunday, October 21st from 2 – 4 pm will be a studio tour of the Chromatic Gate artist Herbert Bayer's original studio, including a wine tasting and chance to meet the restoration endowment committee.
2. Roman Baratiak circulated flyers announcing the Kirk Douglas film series beginning October 1st. Kirk Douglas is expected to attend one of the eight screenings. He will be 96 years old in December.
3. Robert Adams contributed to the Santa Barbara Design House & Gardens Tour benefitting the Junior League, open until October 7th. He is also having an art show of his landscape drawings at the Architectural Foundation, opening October 19th from 5 – 7 pm.
4. Mary Heebner's group art show is having a gallery tour on October 6th at Cabana Home in the Funk Zone.

Meeting adjourned to Joint Meeting of the Airport Commission, Architectural Board of Review and Visual Arts in Public Places Committee. [Minutes of the Joint Meeting attached.]

The next meeting will be held on October 18, 2012 from 3:30 - 5:00 pm at the David Gebhard Public Meeting Room.