



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

October 19, 2017

3:30 – 5:00 PM

David Gebhard Meeting Room

630 Garden Street

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

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Arts Advisory Committee Present: Robert Adams, Chair, Nina Dunbar, Elizabeth Owen, William Smithers, Margie Yahyavi

Arts Advisory Committee Absent: Marylove Thralls, Nathan Vonk

Staff Present: Santa Barbara County Office of Arts and Culture: Sarah York Rubin, E.D.; Hannah Rubalcava, Grants and Contracts Manager; Julia Rutherford Daly, Curator; John Ogilvie, Program Coordinator

Staff Absent: Santa Barbara County Office of Arts and Culture: None. City of Santa Barbara: Nina Johnson, Sr. Assistant to the City Administrator

Liaisons Present: Jace Turner, Santa Barbara Public Library

Liaisons Absent: Frank Hotchkiss, City Council; Michael Drury, HLC; Courtney Miller, ABR

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 3:30 PM

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes

It was moved that the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 21, 2017 be approved.

M/S/C Smithers/Yahyavi/Approved; N. Dunbar abstaining.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. SUBJECT: "Station Eleven" at the Public Library (No Action Required)

Jace Turner described and led a discussion of the Santa Barbara Read's selection of "Station Eleven" as its featured title commencing on November 1. The novel centers on the struggles of the survivors of a worldwide pandemic. Hundreds of the books are being distributed to the area's

high schools, and the author, Emily St. John Mandel, is scheduled to appear at the Marjorie Luke Theater on December 5, 2017 for a book discussion and Q&A. While the book is featured, the Library will provide several educational activities, brochures and displays to promote the title. The theater company, Drama Dogs, will be performing dramatizations of the book at four of the public library locations.

Santa Barbara Reads is an annual event sponsored by the Public Library, partnering with UCSB, for the selection and promotion of a single exceptional book, either fiction or non-fiction, addressing subjects and issues of current significance.

2. SUBJECT: Fiber Arts Guild and Sculptors Guild Exhibition for City Hall (No Action Required)

Julia Rutherford Daly provided an update on the Fiber Arts Guild and Sculptors Guild Exhibition for City Hall that is planned to open on the 1st Thursday in December (December 1). The discussion included the selection of the pieces, timing of the installation, manner of the presentations and the steps planned to ensure the safety of the pieces.

3. SUBJECT: 2017 Arts Symposium (No Action Required)

Sarah Rubin provided an update on the planning of the 2017 Santa Barbara Arts Symposium scheduled to occur on November 2. She announced that the Mayor of New Orleans, Mitch Landrieu, will be this year's keynote speaker. Randy Cohen, Vice President of Research & Policy with Americans for the Arts, will also be a featured speaker, to discuss the impact of the arts on both the local and national economy. The details of the agenda and event venues were reviewed by the Committee.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director – S. York Rubin

Sarah Rubin reported that the Office of Arts and Culture will be hosting a half-day North County Arts Symposium on November 3rd. She also reviewed the status of planning for the improvement of the State Street underpass. A community workshop to discuss the improvement of the underpass has been scheduled to occur on Wednesday, November 15 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Community Arts Workshop (CAW). The City has dedicated a new page on its website for material on the subject of the underpass.

Grants and Contracts Manager – H. Rubalcava

Hannah Rubalcava discussed the grants programs planned for the coming year. She also announced the scheduling of a conference on November 9 organized by the Alliance for Arts Education to occur at the County Office of Education. The meeting will address the subject of the arts in education, and various district school superintendents and principals will attend the event.

Curator – Julia Rutherford Daly

Julia Rutherford Daly reported on the planning of a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit proposals from area sculptors for their works that might be chosen to be installed on the State Street sculpture pads. The RFP is expected to be released in early November.

Program Coordinator – J. Ogilvie

John Ogilvie provided a summary of the status of the 2017-18 Poetry Out Loud program, noting a November 30 deadline for the recruitment of participating high schools.

NEW ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING:

None were suggested.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm. **M/S/C W. Smithers/E. Owen/Approved**

The next meeting is Thursday, November 16, from 3:30-5:00 p.m.

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