

MOSCOW ARTS COMMISSION



Lauren McCleary
Chair

~Minutes~

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Staff Liaison

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Tuesday, May 10, 2022

5:00 PM

**Council Chambers
206 E. 3rd St.**

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Lauren McCleary (Chair), Katherine Clancy (Vice Chair), Kathryn Bonzo, Sue Clark, Sonja Foard, Aaron Johnson, Sandra Stoops, David Wilson

ABSENT: Cindy Barnhart, Erica Wagner, Diane Walker, Donna Woolston

OTHER: Maureen Laflin (City Council Liaison), Megan Cherry (Arts Program Manager), Amy Petit (Arts Administrative Specialist)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Reading of the Mission Statement

The mission of the Moscow Arts Commission is to enrich the community by celebrating and cultivating the expression of all art forms and culture.

Values:

- Recognize and promote artists' value by creating opportunities for work to be experienced.
- Facilitate and promote the social, educational, and economic value of all art forms and culture in the community.
- Provide leadership and act as a resource in the conversation of all art forms and culture with partner agencies, city leaders, and the community.

The Mission Statement was read by McCleary.

2. Approval of Moscow Arts Commission April 12, 2022 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

PROPOSED ACTION: Approve minutes, amend minutes, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

The April minutes were reviewed by the Commission. Bonzo moved, Clancy seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None.

Abstentions: None

3. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and address for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

No public comment was offered.

Clark entered the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

4. **2022 Mayor's Arts Awards - Award Maker (ACTION ITEM)**

Following an extensive revision of the Mayor's Arts Awards processes in 2021, the MAC recommended a new process for identifying artists to make artworks for the event. These artworks are given to each award-winner along with printed certificates at the award ceremony. For the 2022 event, all enrollees of the City of Moscow Artist Directory were invited to submit a proposal. Four submissions were received during the March 14 – April 15, 2022 submission period, and the Events & Programs subcommittee met to review the materials on April 25. Following a discussion and vote to recommend one artist proposal, Arts staff will facilitate a contract with the selected artist.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend an artist to make artworks for the Mayor's Arts Awards, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

Foard reported on the Events & Programs subcommittee discussion for the Mayor's Arts Awards – Award Maker. The subcommittee put forth the submissions by John Carlucci and Jana Vrtelova Holbert as the two entries they favored. The Commission discussed the merits of all four submissions and decided in favor of Jana Vrtelova Holbert's proposal.

Johnson moved, Clark seconded to recommend Jana Vrtelova Holbert as the 2022 Mayor's Arts Award – Award Maker artist.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

5. **Andrew Becker Memorial Public Artwork (ACTION)**

In January 2022, the MAC recommended and City Council voted to approve a contract with J. Casey Doyle to create two designs to be considered for the Becker Memorial at the ITC Sculpture Garden. The intent is for one of the designs, based upon recommendation by the donor and the MAC followed by City Council approval, will be installed in the Intermodal Transit Center Sculpture Garden in October 2022. The donor has reviewed the two designs and recommends the artwork with a working title of "Ribbon Clouds."

Following discussion and vote by a majority of MAC members to recommend a design, Arts staff will present design options and recommendations to City Council. The Artwork Commission agreement with Doyle will be completed pending Council approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend a design for the Becker Memorial at the ITC Sculpture Garden, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

Cherry reiterated that Doyle presented two designs to the donor for the Becker Memorial at the ITC Sculpture garden and the donor favored the sculpture *Ribbon Clouds*. Cherry mentioned that the height of the piece was 54" and the materials would be aluminum or stainless steel and bronze. The Commission discussed both designs and were agreement that *Ribbon Clouds* should be recommended to City Council.

Bonzo moved, Johnson seconded to recommend Doyle's design, "Ribbon Clouds" to the City Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

6. Outreach Opportunities (DISCUSSION)

The MAC has the following opportunities to meet with the public, so volunteer spots are available for the following:

Saturday, June 11 9-12 Moscow Farmers Market (2 volunteers needed)

Thursday, June 16 10-12 Third Street Gallery (1 volunteer needed)

4-6 MACTivities at Artwalk street fair (1 volunteer needed)

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Clancy and Bonzo volunteered for the Moscow Farmer's Market on Saturday, June 11 from 9-12 a.m.

Clancy and Stoops volunteered for the Third Street Gallery on Thursday, June 16 from 10-12 a.m. and

Clark volunteered for the 6-8 p.m. time slot.

REPORTS

1. Volunteer Hour Tally (Petit)

Commission members provided their volunteer hours for May.

2. Entertainment in the Park T-shirt Requests (Petit)

Clancy, McCleary, and Clark requested T-shirts for the Entertainment in the Park outreach event.

3. Staff Report (Cherry)

May Artwalk Outreach

Cherry mentioned that the May Artwalk would have 8 host locations and invited Commission members to attend on May 19.

June Artwalk Registration Report

Cherry reported that for the June 16th Artwalk Season Finale, there would be 26 host locations, 21 Art Vendor/Demonstrators, and 6 Food/Beverage vendors. There was a good response in participation from the community. The musician lineup will include DJ Joe and the Electric Light Show for Kidwalk. On the main stage, DJ Dave, The Intentions, and MAITA would be performing during the event. Foard asked how the registration compared to last year and Cherry mentioned that the overall season registration exceeded the registration record in the previously one-day June event. There was a major increase in Art Vendor/Demonstrators as well. Cherry added that the smaller footprint of the Street Fair portion of the event (from 3rd to 6th street), would make the Season Finale feel fuller and allow more vendors access to power.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:49pm.

Minutes Approved On
June 14, 2022
Amy Petit
(Clerk Signature)