



CITY OF MILPITAS

Arts Commission

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

7:00 p.m.

Monday, January 27, 2025

Milpitas City Hall, Committee Conference Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Seating of Alternates
5. Approval of Agenda: January 27, 2025
6. Approval of Meeting Minutes: November 25, 2024
7. Public Forum

Those interested are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers may provide their name and city of residence for the record, and comments may be limited to three minutes, or less. As an item not listed on the agenda, no response is required of the Commission or staff. However, Commission members may request staff to add the item to a future meeting agenda. This public meeting will be led with professionalism, respect, and civility, so profanity and/or vulgar language will not be allowed.
8. Announcements
 - a. Commissioners' announcements
 - b. Staff announcements
9. Business Items
 - a. **Chair and Vice Chair Elections**

Per the Arts Commission Bylaws, a Chair and Vice Chair will be selected annually at the first meeting of the calendar year from the appointed members for a term of one year.

Recommendation: Receive nominations and elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the calendar year.

b. **Phantom Art Gallery Applications – The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.**

Assistant Director McLane will present applications for upcoming Phantom Art Gallery exhibits by The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Recommendation: Approve or deny Phantom Art Gallery exhibits for The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and the Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

10. City Liaison Reports

Report from Staff Liaison

- Recent and Upcoming Milpitas Arts Programs
 - Current Phantom Art Gallery Exhibits: Hidden Talents – City of Milpitas Commissioners & Staff Art Show at Milpitas Community Center through March 1. Artists’ Reception on January 31, 5:30 p.m. at Milpitas Community Center.
 - Milpitas Community Concert Band: Wondrous Creatures concert on February 28, 7:30 p.m. at Milpitas Community Center.
- Public Art Project Status
 - Dixon Landing Park (budget \$30K)
 - Historical Park Markers (budget \$100K)
 - Public Art Master Plan (budget \$80K)
- Public Art Fund Balance

Report from Councilmember Liaison

11. Next Meeting Date – February 24, 2025 *Special Meeting

12. Adjournment

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MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM

Monday, November 25, 2024

MILPITAS CITY HALL

455 E. CALAVERAS BLVD.

COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM

MILPITAS, CA 95035

- CALL TO ORDER** Chair Hekkelman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- ROLL CALL**
- PRESENT:** Commissioners Hekkelman, Oldham, Qiu (7:17 p.m.), Ghose, and Young
- ABSENT:** Commissioners Brahim, Cacao, and Umarani
- City Staff:** Tegan McLane – Assistant Director
Ming Chen – Public Services Assistant II
- City Council:** Vice Mayor Chua (left 7:36 p.m.)
- PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE** Chair Hekkelman led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ALTERNATE SEATING** Commissioner Qiu (7:17 p.m.) was seated as an alternate.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** **Motion** to approve the agenda for November 25, 2024, including the request to move the Councilmember Liaison report to the beginning of the meeting.
- Motion/Second: Oldham/Young
- Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **Motion** to approve the minutes for September 23, 2024.
- Motion/Second: Young/Oldham
- Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0
- PUBLIC FORUM** There were no members from the public in attendance.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- a. Commissioners' announcements – Commissioner Ghose shared with the Commission the details of her art showcase at the Smithsonian craft show.
 - b. Staff announcements – None
- BUSINESS ITEMS**
- a. **Phantom Art Gallery Application – Global Artists' Creative Collaboration for Empowerment**

Assistant Director McLane presented an applicant for the Phantom Art Gallery exhibits for Global Artists' Creative Collaboration for Empowerment (GACCE). The group proposed an exhibition titled "Colors of Diversity," featuring work by artists Ayesha Samdani, Dr. Bernadette Cooper, Trieu Dao, and Yolanda Guerra.

Motion to approve the Phantom Art Gallery exhibit for "Colors of Diversity" by Global Artists' Creative Collaboration for Empowerment (GACCE) artists, subject to a mutual agreeable available date in the Phantom Art Gallery.

Motion/Second: Ghose/Oldham

Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0

b. Public Art Master Plan Update

The Commission received a report from Anna Talarico of Designing Local.

c. City Hall Art

The Commission continued its discussion of types of art commissioners would like to see at City Hall, including interactive art structures, kinetic art structures, and digital artwork that can be displayed alongside the interior wall above the entrance hallway. The Commission agreed that a map at City Hall showing locations of local artwork in Milpitas would be a good idea.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Assistant Director McLane provided updates on current and past exhibits, Recreation programs, services, and upcoming events, as well as a brief update on Milpitas Arts programs, the status of the Public Art projects, and Art Fund balance.

LIAISON REPORT

Vice Mayor Chua shared with the Commission of upcoming City events and the meeting on December 10, to honor both new and outgoing Councilmembers.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, Chair Hekkelman adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM to the next scheduled meeting held on January 27, 2025.

AGENDA REPORT

Arts Commission



DATE: January 27, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Commissioners

FROM: Tegan McLane, Assistant Director, Recreation and Community Services Department

SUBJECT: **Phantom Art Gallery Applications: The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes (9B)**

Executive Summary:

The Arts Commission will review the application for Phantom Art Gallery Exhibits: The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) and Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Staff Recommendation:

Approve or deny Phantom Art Gallery exhibits for the International Women Artists Council and Barbara Lee Senior Center painting classes.

Financial Impact:

None.

Description:

The Phantom Art Gallery was established in 2000, with the goal of providing local artists of all ages, experience levels and mediums an opportunity to show their work within the City of Milpitas. The Phantom Art Gallery currently displays artwork in four public galleries at the Milpitas Community Center and Milpitas Library. The Arts Commission reviews applications and serves as the jury to select artists for exhibit. Staff contacts selected artists to schedule, facilitate and promote shows.

The International Women Artists Council (INWAC) is an organization with a history spanning over 25 years, connecting women artists from around the globe. INWAC has branches in China, Taiwan, Mongolia, Malaysia, Vietnam, San Francisco, France, Canada, and Italy, with a membership of over 40 artists, ranging from adult hobbyists to professional artists. INWAC has showcased exhibitions in numerous countries, including Germany, Mongolia, Taiwan, China, Vietnam, Korea, and more. The mission of the organization is to unite women artists worldwide through traveling exhibitions, offering a platform to share their inspiring visions and heartfelt love for a better future.

This year, the North California branch, is hosting the exhibition and would like to propose an exhibition titled "Love and Hope for the World," curated by Sunnyvale resident Grace Huang, at all Phantom Art Gallery locations. If approved, a selection process within the organization will determine which artists will be featured.

The Milpitas Barbara Senior Center offers a variety of activities for its senior members, including Chinese Brush Painting and Oil Painting classes. The Chinese Brush Painting class, led by

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Betty Ling, who has over 10 years of teaching experience, provides a welcoming space for artists of all levels to learn traditional techniques and explore the beauty of Chinese painting. Similarly, the Oil Painting class, under the instruction of Thong Lee, caters to artists of all levels and encourages students to develop their skills while experimenting with different methods and styles. Lee specializes in Impressionism, landscapes, and portraits. The Senior Center painting classes have exhibited before, most recently in 2020, and would like to again request an exhibition to celebrate the creativity of their senior community.



AGENDA REPORT

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DATE: January 27, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Commissioners

FROM: Tegan McLane, Assistant Director,
Recreation and Community Services Department

SUBJECT: Chair and Vice Chair Elections (Item 9A)

Executive Summary:

In accordance with City Commission by-laws, the Arts Commission is required to select annually, at the first meeting of the calendar year, a Chair and Vice Chair from the appointed members for a term of one year.

Staff Recommendation:

Nominate and elect a Chair and Vice-Chair to serve through December 2024.

Financial Impact:

None.

Description:

Per the Arts Commission bylaws, "A Chair and Vice Chair will be selected annually at the first meeting of the calendar year from the appointed members for a term of one year. The Chair will call for meetings and preside over all sessions. In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair, the member with longest continuous service on the Commission will preside."

The **Chair's** role is:

- Call the meeting to order.
- State the items to be discussed.
- Permit all members the opportunity to be heard.
- Allow comments from the public.
- Call for a vote as required.
- Work with City Staff liaison to ensure successful meetings.

The **Vice Chair's** role is:

- Serve as the Chair whenever the Chair is absent.

The typical procedure for election of officers is as follows:

- Accept nominations for the positions.
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- Confirm that the nominated individuals are willing to serve if elected.
- Make a motion regarding the chair, second, and vote.
- Make a motion regarding the vice chair, second, and vote.

Noticing: N/A

Attachments: None