Tempe

Minutes
TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION
May 14, 2008

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission at 6 p.m. on May 14, 2008, at the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) 201 Lounge, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present:
Paul Hubbell, Chair
Linda Sleight, Vice Chair
Robert Bortfeld
Ed Coyoli
Betsy Fahlman
Nancy Goren
Lise Hawkos
Shirlee King
Richard Strange

(MEMBERS) Absent:
Donna Goyette
Kate Hanley
Lisa Morley
Chin-an Shen
Frank Williams

City Staff Present:
Don Fassinger, Cultural Facilities Administrator
Mary Fowler, Cultural Services Division Mgmt. Asst.
Liz Lagman, Public Art Specialist
Rachael Peterson, Cultural Services Division Admin. Asst.
Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Community Services Manager

Agenda Item 1 – Call to order

- Paul Hubbell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of the April 9 Commission Minutes

MOTION: **Betsy Fahlman moved to approve the minutes.**
SECOND: **Linda Sleight seconded.**
DECISION: **Minutes approved.**

Agenda Item 3 – Cultural Services Director's Report

- Adrienne Richwine reported that the TCA played host to the following events:
  - The Tempe Youth Showcase; April 12
  - The Tempe Youth Wind Symphony (TYWS); April 16
  - Music Under the Stars; April 18
  - The Tempe Symphony Orchestra (TSO); April 21

  Richwine added that all of the events were successful.
- Richwine stated that she had attended the 27th Annual Governor's Arts Awards Dinner on April 23. Richwine thanked the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members for their attendance at the dinner.

- Nancy Goren inquired about the Childsplay Gala that took place on May 2. Richwine reported that the event guests were treated to a buffet style dinner, silent auction and performance in the TCA Theater.
- Richwine announced that "Masters of Illusion: Unveiling the Mystery of Trompe L'Oeil" will be on display through August 2 in the TCA Gallery. The tradition of Trompe L'Oeil, a French term for "fool the eye," dates back centuries. Local artists in numerous media employ methods and techniques used in trompe l'oeil to create imagery that fools the viewer into believing that it is real or as real as a photograph.
- Richwine reminded the commission that the Arizona Academy of the Performing Arts 5th Annual Benefit Dinner was taking place at 6 p.m. on May 16 at the Arizona Grand Resort. Richwine encouraged TMAC members to attend; commission members may contact Rachael Peterson for additional information related to the event.
- Richwine announced that the 2008 – 2009 city of Tempe Arts Project Grants Panel Review is taking place at 8:30 a.m. on May 30 in the Tempe Historical Museum Board Room.
- Richwine stated that she did not have any information to report regarding the development west of the TCA.
- Richwine reported that the summer '08 city of Tempe Art Instructional Program classes are set to begin June 2. Multiple classes have filled; Richwine added that the enrollment numbers are high in both sessions of the art-intensive Young Artist Studio (YAS) and Young Actors Theatre (YAT) programs.
- Richwine announced that Lise Hawkos, TMAC member, recently accepted a position at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and will be resigning from the commission at a date to be determined.
- Richwine introduced Mary Fowler, city of Tempe Cultural Services Division Management Assistant.
- Fowler reported that the TCA played host to Poetry in April events; Fowler stated that the regularly-scheduled Wednesday evening poetry readings were relocated to the TCA Lakeside Room due to a high-volume of attendance.
- Robert Bortfeld suggested that Poetry in April readings take place outdoors surrounding the trueNorth fireplace public art feature.
- Fowler announced that Simon Ortiz, Native American Poet, will take part in the 2009 Poetry in April series.

Agenda Item 4 – Chairperson's Report

- No report.

Agenda Item 5 – New Business

- Hubbell announced that Judy Ellison has been appointed to the commission; Hubbell added that Ellison will be present for the TMAC meeting taking place at 6 p.m. on June 11 in the Tempe Public Library Board Room. *June Meeting Cancelled*

Agenda Item 6a – Public Art/AIPD Committee

- Fahlman announced that the Tempe Historical Museum Design Team Opportunity Panel selected artists Jeanine Centuori and Russell Rock of UrbanRock Design to participate in the Tempe Historical Museum Design Team Opportunity; TMAC members viewed UrbanRock's slide submissions.

- Shirlee King added that UrbanRock Design's experience includes public art programs of varying scales and urban/architectural work; UrbanRock is familiar with working with public officials, permitting procedures, construction documents, public meetings, bid processes, fabrication and construction.

  MOTION: **Robert Bortfeld moved to approve the selection of artists Jeanine Centuori and Russell Rock (UrbanRock Design).**
  SECOND: **Lise Hawkos seconded.**
  DECISION: **Tempe Historical Museum Design Team Opportunity artist selection (Centuori, Rock – UrbanRock Design) approved.**
- Fahlman stated that she would be representing the TMAC Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee by serving as a member of the Double Butte Cemetery artist submission review panel taking place at 9 a.m. on May 19 in the Tempe Historical Museum Board Room. Fahlman added that the panel will be reviewing approximately 50 submissions; artists were asked to submit requests for qualifications, not proposals.

Agenda Item 7b– Grants Committee

- Goren reminded the commission that the 2008 – 2009 city of Tempe Arts Project Grants Panel Review is taking place at 8:30 a.m. on May 30 in the Tempe Historical Museum Board Room. Goren added that there are approximately 21 grant submissions.

Agenda Item 7c– Communications/Advocacy Committee

- Richwine distributed press clips to the commission members; the TMAC Communications/Advocacy Committee did not meet.

Agenda Item 7d– Facilities Committee

- Ed Coyoli stated that the TMAC Facilities Committee met and discussed the TCA Partner Criterion; the committee addressed the partner residency clause.
- Coyoli added that the current residency requirement reads as follows:
  "Residency: The applicant organization's primary headquarters are located in Tempe."
- Coyoli announced that the TMAC Facilities Committee recommends that the residency requirement be revised to the following:
  "Residency: The applicant organization's primary headquarters are located in Tempe for a minimum of one (1) year."

  MOTION: **Betsy Fahlman moved to approve the TCA Partner Program Residency Requirement Revision.**
  SECOND: **Shirlee King seconded.**
  DECISION: **TCA Partner Program Residency Requirement Revision approved.**

Agenda Item 7 – Commission Member's Announcements

- King stated that she will be attending the Arizona Academy of the Performing Arts 5th Annual Benefit Dinner.
- Coyoli stated that the dress for the event is black tie optional. Coyoli added that John Junker, President and CEO of the Fiesta and Insight Bowl, is the event's keynote speaker.
- King announced that she has an audio CD of the April 16 TYWS concert; King is willing to share her CD with any commission member interested in hearing the performance.

- King encouraged TMAC members to visit the Tempe Elementary School District's homepage; King stated that there is a link titled, "Art is Elementary."
- King encouraged TMAC members to attend the spring performance of the Chinese Art Academy. The performance features the national debut of the Peacock Dance. King stated that tickets (for the performance) are $10.
- King announced that Tempe's International Museum Day is taking place from 1-4 p.m. on May 18 at the Tempe Historical Museum; King's son's photographs of the Iditarod will be on display.
- Coyoli encouraged TMAC members to view world premiere performances (similar to Blast!) by the Academy Drum and Bugle Corps at "A Night at the Show," taking place at 7:30 p.m. on June 6 and 7 in the TCA Theater.
- Don Fassinger, city of Tempe Cultural Facilities Administrator, reported that there are many events taking place at the TCA in May. Fassinger encouraged TMAC members to visit www.tempe.gov/tca/events for additional information.
- Fassinger announced that JAMN Jazz Series at the TCA is set to begin at 8 p.m. on May 23 in the TCA Studio. Trumpet virtuoso Marcus Printup opens the series.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on June 11 in the Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ. *June Meeting Cancelled*

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Prepared by: Rachael A. Peterson

Reviewed by: Adrienne Richwine

Chair

Authorized Signature
Position/Title