



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION May 12, 2010

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on May 12, 2010, in the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) 201 Lounge, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, AZ, 85281.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Betsy Fahlman, Chair
Robert Bortfeld, Vice Chair
Doris Chamberlain
Nikie Crawford
Judy Ellison
Nancy Goren
Barbara Hanigsberg
Kate Hanley
Hotchy Kiene
Shirlee King
Janis Webb

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Donna Goyette
Hilary Harp
Frank Williams

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Asst. - Library and Cultural Services Dvsn.
Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Manager - Library and Cultural Services Dvsn.

Guest(s) Present:

None

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Betsy Fahlman, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the April 14, 2010, Commission Minutes

- **MOTION:** Hotchy Kiene moved to approve the April 14, 2010, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) minutes document.
SECOND: Nancy Goren seconded.
DECISION: April 14, 2010, minutes document approved.

Agenda Item 3 - Cultural Services Division Director's Report

- Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Manager - Library and Cultural Services Division, reported that Mary Fowler, City of Tempe Library and Cultural Services Division Management Assistant, regularly-posts all art-related press releases to the City's arts web at the following address: <http://lists.tempe.gov/archives/tempearts.html>; Richwine encouraged the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members to visit the arts-related press release archive website. Richwine further encouraged the TMAC members to join the City's arts-related listservs; Richwine reminded the TMAC members that they may sign-

up for any arts-related listserv online by visiting the following website:
<http://www.tempe.gov/arts/news/subscribe.htm>.

- A. Richwine stated that the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) played host to the Paul Espinosa Border Film Festival at 6 p.m. on May 7; Richwine added that the weekend-long festival concluded with a reception at 5 p.m. on May 9. Richwine further reported that the Paul Espinosa Border Film Festival was presented by the Arizona Humanities Council.
- A. Richwine explained that due to the installation of new terrazzo flooring, access to the main level of the Tempe Public Library through the Library's main entrance will be limited; Richwine clarified that Library patrons will be diverted to the newly-established north entrance of the Library facility. Richwine added that the north entrance of the Library faces the Tempe Community Center Complex Courtyard; Richwine further reported that the main entrance to the Tempe Public Library will be accessible to Library patrons beginning June 1, 2010.
- A. Richwine announced that the Tempe Community Chorus is scheduled to perform a concert at 3 p.m. on May 16 at Arizona Community Church, 9325 S. Rural Road. Richwine encouraged the TMAC members to attend the chorus concert and directed the members to view additional information related to the concert at the following address: www.tempechorus.org.
- A. Richwine reported that TCA Lakeside is playing host to a songwriters' showcase in conjunction with the TCA's Walk-in Wednesdays event series at 7 p.m. on June 9.
- A. Richwine encouraged the TMAC members to attend Performance with a View at TCA Lakeside on May 18; Richwine stated that the program is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. and will feature Joey Chang, winner of the 2009 Jacob Flier International Piano Competition. Richwine further reported that J. Chang is 14 years old and attends the Peggy Payne Academy within Tempe's McClintock High School.
- A. Richwine stated that TCA Lakeside is playing host to the Lakeshore Jazz at the TCA concert series at 8 p.m. on May 21; Richwine added that the May 21 concert will feature the Tierney Sutton Quartet, a two-time, Grammy-nominated ensemble.
- A. Richwine announced that local Jazz pianist Bob Ravenscroft and the Jazzbird Foundation intend to donate a \$275,000 baby grand piano to the TCA; Richwine reported that she and other City of Tempe staff members visited the piano's manufacturer in north Scottsdale. Richwine added that the donated piano will be utilized for TCA partner performances.

Agenda Item 4 - Chairperson's Report

- No report.

Agenda Item 5a - Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee

- Judy Ellison, Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee Chair, explained that the Maple Ash Neighborhood Association received a Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant for the fiscal year 2009-2010. Ellison further stated that the association's grant award will fund a proposed artist-adorned irrigation standpipe located on 10th Street and Maple Avenue. Ellison added that the Maple Ash Neighborhood Association selected visual artist Nina Solomon to complete the standpipe artwork.

- J. Ellison presented the TMAC members with a full-scale, working model of the proposed standpipe artwork concept including photocopies of the project's images and text. Ellison explained that the design concept depicts the history of homeownership in the Maple Ash Neighborhood. Ellison further explained that visual artist N. Solomon is searching for interesting and unique stories about the people who lived in the Maple Ash Neighborhood.
- J. Ellison explained the process of glazing the ceramic tiles and how visual artist N. Solomon incorporates the historical text and images onto the tiles. Ellison stated that the proposed standpipe artwork reads like a map; Ellison explained that the proposed middle section of the standpipe will have a different array of tiles to illustrate the beginning and ending streets within the Maple Ash Neighborhood.
- Hotchy Kiene inquired about the completion date of the proposed standpipe artwork; Maja Aurora reported that the Maple Ash Neighborhood Association's grant-funded project has been approved and the project's anticipated date of completion is on or before June 30, 2010.

Agenda Item 5b - Grants Committee

- Nancy Goren, Grants Committee Chair, reported that the City of Tempe Art Grants Panel Review for fiscal year 2011 took place on May 7; Goren further reported that the panel reviewed 21 art project grant applications.
- N. Goren described the art grant application panel review process, as well as the role of the Grants Committee prior to the committee's award recommendations being forwarded to the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) for review.
- N. Goren encouraged all TMAC members to attend the next TMAC meeting scheduled to take place at 6 p.m. on June 16 in the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ. Goren stated that TMAC member attendance (to establish a voting quorum) is important.

Agenda Item 5c - Communication/Advocacy Committee

- No report.

Agenda Item 5d - Facilities Committee

- No report.

Agenda Item 6 - Commission Member's Announcements

- Hotchy Kiene announced that Madcap Theaters (upstairs lobby) is playing host to a New Times 40th anniversary party at 7 p.m. on May 22; Kiene stated that the New Times is extending an invitation to all Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members to attend the event. Kiene added that the event will feature the New Times' Creative Classics Awards, as well as performances by Childsplay and Tempe Little Theater.
- Barbara Hanigsberg inquired about the date of the June, 2010, TMAC meeting; Rachael Peterson, City of Tempe Library and Cultural Services Division Administrative Assistant, confirmed that the next TMAC meeting is scheduled to take place at 6 p.m. on June 16 in the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road.
- Robert Bortfeld, TMAC Vice Chair, announced that his artwork is on display in a show at Yavapai Community College.

- Janis Webb announced that she has a lead role in Scottsdale Desert Stages Theatre's production of "Agnes of God." Webb stated that the production runs through July 18; Webb further encouraged the TMAC members to attend the production and further directed the members to visit the following website for ticket information, as well as additional information related to the production: www.desertstages.com.

Agenda Item 7 - Public Appearances

- No appearances.

The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting is scheduled to take place at 6 p.m. on June 16 in the Tempe Public Library Conference Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Prepared by: Rachael Peterson

Reviewed by: Adrienne Richwine

Authorized Signature
Position/Title