



## Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION May 11, 2011

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 4 p.m. on May 11, 2011, within the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) 201 Lounge, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, AZ, 85281.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Frank Williams, Chair  
Nancy Goren  
Barbara Hanigsberg  
Hilary Harp  
Dave Kephart  
Hotchy Kiene  
Celeste Plumlee  
Janis Webb

**City Staff Present:**

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator - Grants; Public Art/Art in Private Development  
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Assistant. - Library and Cultural Services Division  
Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Director - Library and Cultural Services Division

**Guests Present:**

Mel Kessler, Treasurer - Friends of Tempe Center for the Arts

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Shirlee King, Vice Chair  
Susan Bendix  
Thomas Burns  
Nikie Crawford  
Donna Goyette

**Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order**

- Frank Williams, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Chair, called the TMAC meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the April 13, 2011, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Minutes Document**

- Frank Williams, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Chair, asked the TMAC members to review an unapproved minutes document dated April 13, 2011.
- **MOTION:** Hotchy Kiene moved to approve the April 13, 2011, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Minutes Document.  
**SECOND:** Dave Kephart seconded.  
**DECISION:** April 13, 2011, TMAC Minutes Document approved.

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### **Agenda Item 3 - Cultural Services Division Director's Report**

- Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Director - Library and Cultural Services Division, reminded the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members that the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) is playing host to a partnership program between the TCA and Santa Barbara Catering; A. Richwine explained that a food and wine tasting event titled, "All About Spring," is scheduled to occur from 5 to 8 p.m. on May 11 at the TCA, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe.
- A. Richwine noted that the Edna Vihel Center for the Arts, 3340 S. Rural Road, is playing host to a *Free Art Friday* event at 9 a.m. on May 20 within Vihel's Multipurpose Room space. Richwine explained that *Free Art Friday* participants may create art, learn about music and movement, enjoy a healthy snack and make new friends. Richwine further explained that *Free Art Friday* features different art projects every month that explore numerous themes; A. Richwine added that the May, 2011, theme is, "Get Movin' in May!"
- A. Richwine reported that the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA), 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, is playing host to the following events in May, 2011:
  - **Paper Cup Exchange:** An interactive adult scavenger hunt game and artist presentation/discussion from the exhibition, "20 Questions" (7 p.m., May 12, Gallery at TCA);
  - **Tempe LIVE! Theatre:** Performance titled, "Getting Sara Married" (8 p.m., May 13-14, 20-21, 27-28; 7 p.m., May 27; TCA Studio);
  - **Perler Bead Pattern Workshop:** Family Bead Workshop lead by "20 Questions" artist Denise Yaghmourian (2 p.m., May 14, Gallery at TCA);
  - **Book-Signing:** Alice Overstraeten, mixed-media artist and author, will sign her book titled, "My Zoo Cookbook: Youngsters Cooking and Enjoying Art" (12:30 p.m., May 15, TC Artshop);
  - **Performance with a View:** Sherry Finzer and her trio "Radiant Sky" with John Calvert on Guitar and Jason Wiedman on Percussion will perform a variety of World, New-Age and Latin Jazz Music by Caliendo, Lezcano, Piazzola and Gomez (9:30 a.m., May 17, TCA Lakeside);
  - **Lakeshore Jazz Series at TCA:** Performance by the Christian Jacob Trio, Tierney Sutton's Core Road Band for 15 Years (7:30 p.m., May 20, TCA Lakeside);
  - **Bead Necklace Workshop:** Bead Workshop by "20 Questions" artist Christy Puetz (2 p.m., May 21, TCA Gallery);
  - **All About Dance:** All About Dance is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the production, "Perfect 10" (6 p.m., May 31 and June 1, TCA Theater);
  - **Twenty Questions:** Twenty Arizona artists play with the childhood game, "Twenty Questions" (10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Friday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday; April 23 to Sept. 2, Gallery at TCA).
- A. Richwine announced that the Tempe History Museum is playing host to an artwork exhibition opening reception for an Arizona State University (ASU) Foundry Arts Exhibition titled, "Some Like it Hot," at 5 p.m. on May 27 within the Tempe History Museum's Community Room. Richwine added that the exhibition will be on display within the Community Room through July 1, 2011.

- A. Richwine reminded the TMAC members to visit the following website to view information related to additional cultural art events and programming:  
[www.tempe.gov/arts/events](http://www.tempe.gov/arts/events).

#### **Agenda Item 4 - Chairperson's Report**

- No report.

#### **Agenda Item 5A - Report: Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee**

- No report. Hilary Harp, Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Committee Chair, announced that the Tempe Bicycle Action Group (TBAG) recently released a Call to Artists (Call) for the creation of a bicycle-oriented public artwork element within Tempe's Mitchell Park Neighborhood. Harp indicated that the submission deadline for the Call is June 6, 2011. Harp explained that TBAG is sponsoring an artwork commission of up to \$15,000, and will accept submissions from artists of all skill levels and backgrounds.

#### **Agenda Item 5B - Grants Committee**

- No report. Nancy Goren, Grants Committee Chair, reminded the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members that the City of Tempe Art Project Grants Review Panel is scheduled to meet at 9:30 a.m. on May 13 within the Connections Café Program Room at the Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe. Goren reminded the TMAC members that the 2011 City of Tempe Art Project and Organizational Development Grant Award Recommendations will be presented to the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission for approval consideration at the TMAC meeting scheduled to occur at 6 p.m. on June 8 within the Tempe Center for the Arts 201 Lounge, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe. Goren encouraged all TMAC members to attend the meeting, and stated that an attendance quorum is necessary in order to approve the grant award recommendations.
- Maja Aurora, City of Tempe Arts Coordinator, encouraged the TMAC members to contact her via email message ([Maja\\_Aurora@tempe.gov](mailto:Maja_Aurora@tempe.gov)) if they'd like to review the 2011 City of Tempe Art Grant (Project and Organizational Development) Application Submissions prior to the TMAC meeting scheduled to take place on June 8, 2011.

#### **Agenda Item 5C - Communication/Advocacy Committee**

- Barbara Hanigsberg, Communication/Advocacy Committee Chair, reported that she met with Mary Fowler, City of Tempe Management Assistant - Library and Cultural Services Division, Dave Kephart, Hotchy Kiene and Celeste Plumlee to discuss and develop a mission and set of goals for the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission's Communication/Advocacy Committee.
- B. Hanigsberg stated that she intends to discuss the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) Survey that is being prepared by Mike Crusa, City of Tempe Mayoral Assistant, with Kathy Berzins, City of Tempe Community Services Department Director.
- B. Hanigsberg added that she met with Sally Garrison, City of Tempe Arts Coordinator, and the TCA Partner Organizations, as a means to determine how the Communication/Advocacy Committee may better disseminate information to the public related to the scheduled events of TCA Partner Organizations.

- B. Hanigsberg reported that Hotchy Kiene intends to work with Mary Fowler to implement an electronic Google Map specific to the City of Tempe Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Program. Hanigsberg added that M. Fowler has an intern who may also assist with the creation of the Google Map.
- B. Hanigsberg noted that she met with TCA Box Office Representatives to discuss the dissemination of all City of Tempe Library and Cultural Services Division-related material through the TCA Box Office.
- B. Hanigsberg further noted that Celeste Plumlee will head-up a visual and performing arts outreach effort to Tempe schools and Scout groups.
- B. Hanigsberg added that the Communication/Advocacy Committee members are working with the Downtown Tempe Community (DTC) to help strengthen the connection between artists and local businesses that may be able to display visual artworks and serve as performing arts venues.

#### **Agenda Item 6 - Commission Member's Announcements**

- No announcements; Frank Williams, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Chair, praised Celeste Plumlee for her efforts in relation to the Arizona Wind Symphony's performance of "A Night on the Town" on April 13 within the Tempe Center for the Arts Theater.

#### **Agenda Item 7 - Public Appearances**

- Mel Kessler, Treasurer - Friends of the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA), presented a report to the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) members on behalf of the Friends of TCA. Kessler stated that effective June 8, Don Dotts - Friends of TCA Representative, will present an agendaized, reoccurring Friends of TCA report as part of the regularly-scheduled monthly TMAC meetings.
- M. Kessler acknowledged the following information related to the Friends of TCA:
  - The Friends of TCA has increased its membership by five (5) members since the beginning of the year;
  - TCARTshop Hours of Operation are 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday through Saturday;
  - The Friends of TCA will play host to *Performance with a View* outreach concerts on May 17 and June 21 within the TCA Lakeside Room;
  - Nicole Pesce will perform a concert of Piano works committed to memory on June 24 within the TCA Theater;
  - The Sonoran Chamber Music Series will occur within the TCA Lakeside Room and Gallery on Sept. 11 (Damocles Trio) and Nov. 20, 2011 (Arianna Quartet), and Feb. 12 (Clarinet Trio), March 11 (Piano Trio) and April 12, 2012 (Cello Recital);
  - Friends of TCA Sponsorships for the TCA and its partner groups since its inception equates to approximately \$150,000;
  - The Friends of TCA Board is having reoccurring discussions with TCA Management and Staff to determine how the Friends of TCA may better support the TCA, and vice versa.
- M. Kessler expressed the need for the Friends of TCA and the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) to partner as a means to ensure that the arts are being promoted and supported within Tempe; M. Kessler further encouraged the TMAC members to join the Friends of TCA.

**Agenda Item 8 - Adjournment**

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting is scheduled to take place at 6 p.m. on June 8, 2011, within the Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) 201 Lounge, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe.
- **Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.**

Prepared By: Rachael Peterson

Reviewed By: Adrienne Richwine

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Frank Williams  
Chair, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission