

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA



TEMPE ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION

May 13, 2024

6:00 pm

Tempe Public Library
Hackberry Conference Room
3500 S Rural Road, 85282

Public comment requests for any item on the agenda must be emailed to joy_higgins@tempe.gov prior to the start of the meeting.

AGENDA

Call to Order

1. Public Appearances: The Arts & Culture Commission welcomes public comment for items listed on this agenda. There is a three-minute time limit per individual. Anyone wishing to agendize an item for an upcoming meeting should utilize the Public Appearances for consideration.
2. Approval: April 8, 2024 Tempe Arts & Culture Commission Minutes ACTION
3. Arts & Culture Budget
4. Mill Avenue Underpass
5. Tempe Public Art Master Plan
6. Arts in the Parks
7. Cross-commission Visits Report
8. Arts & Culture Commission Activations
9. Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Next Meeting: Monday, August 12, 2024

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Tempe Arts & Culture Finances

May 2024

CURRENT YEAR EXPENSES

Operating expenses by cost center (workgroup) for April are below. CIP, contingency, and TCA roof debt service annual payment are not included.

Cost Centers	Budget	Expense	% Expended
3741 Arts and Culture Admin	\$ 922,250.00	\$ 624,910.68	68%
3742 Arts and Culture Marketing	\$ 540,626	\$ 47,063.81	9%
3760 Tempe Center for the Arts	\$ 6,296,310.00	\$ 4,703,523.33	75%
3781 Museum & Historic Houses	\$ 1,403,842.00	\$ 848,783.16	60%
3785 Community Arts Engagement	\$ 1,542,842.00	\$ 1,360,920.61	88%
Grand Total	\$ 10,705,870	\$ 7,585,202	71%

CURRENT YEAR REVENUES

Revenues by cost center (workgroup) for April are below. Tax revenues are recorded a month after they are earned.

Cost Centers	Revenue Estimate	Recognized Revenue	% Target
3741 Arts & Culture Tax	\$ 12,483,433.00	\$ 9,055,277.67	73%
3761 TCA Earned Revenue	\$ 463,500.00	\$ 414,460.71	89%
3781 Museum & Historic Houses	\$ 128,500.00	\$ 23,420.26	18%
3785 Community Arts Engagement	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 143,298.29	143%
Grand Total	\$ 13,175,433	\$ 9,636,457	73%

More information about Arts & Culture Finances

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Tempe History Museum

May 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS

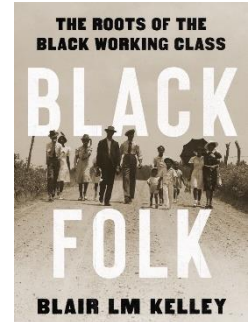
AAAC Programs

Book Club

***Black Folk: The Roots of the Black Working Class* by Blair LM Kelley**

Wednesday, May 22 | 5 p.m. | Zoom | [INFO](#)

Be a part of the African American Advisory Committee's online Book Club! This month, Dr. Felicia Durden will lead the first discussion for ***Black Folk***. All participants are welcome to participate in this book club series that meets via Zoom once a month to discuss works written by Black authors. Email museum@tempe.gov to indicate your interest and receive the Zoom link.



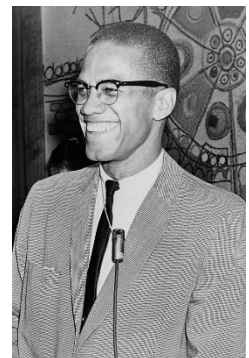
Community Chats

Malcom X: As Others Knew Him

Thursday, May 23 | 6 p.m. | FREE | [INFO](#)

Museum Community Room

Join the AAAC for a special evening as six readers bring to life the illuminating and heartfelt memories of those who knew Minister Malcolm X intimately. This event is free and open to the public.



The African American Advisory Committee's (AAAC) Community Chats feature topics of interest and importance to Tempe's African American community.

PERFORMANCES at the MUSEUM

Pick & Holler

Friday, May 24 | 7 p.m. | FREE | [INFO](#)

THM Community Room

Pick & Holler is a high-energy, fiddle-driven, old-time string band from Phoenix, AZ. They play traditional Appalachian fiddle and banjo tunes, love songs, murder ballads, and throw in a few originals just to keep them honest. Pick & Holler features Carolyn Camp on fiddle, Matt Minjares on banjo, Lindsay Cates on upright bass, and Mike Wolfe on guitar, with everyone pitching in on the hollerin'. Playing everywhere from square dances to fairs and festivals, to barns and boxcars, Pick & Holler strives to keep the toes tapping and the faces smiling!



SAVE THE DATES

The Return of Tempe Time Machine!

Wednesdays, May 29-July 17* | 9 a.m.-1 p.m. | [INFO](#)

Go on a FREE museum adventure with Tempe Time Machine starting May 29. The 2024 TTM program is inspired by the museum's Main Exhibit Gallery, where you can learn Tempe's history through four topics: Surviving in the Desert, Building Our Community, Living Together and College Town. While our focus is on kids from 2 to 10 years old, *Tempe Time Machine* is fun for all ages. *No program June 19.



Juneteenth Celebration

Saturday, June 15 | 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. | FREE | [INFO](#)

Tempe History Museum's African American Advisory Committee is presenting the 11th Annual Juneteenth Celebration to educate the community about this important holiday and celebrate freedom from slavery in the United States. This free, family-friendly event will include hands-on activities, performances, table displays, food trucks, and more!



COLLECTIONS

Collections staff, student interns, and volunteers have been processing and cataloging a large collection of photographs donated by longtime Tempe historian Shirley Blanton. Shirley spent decades assembling the photos and publishing them in the several books that she authored, including a definitive volume on the history of the Tempe Fire Department. Shirley passed away in January 2024, but had made arrangements for the collection to be donated to the museum. When finished, the collection will consist of about 650 individually cataloged photographs of various Tempe subjects, including 200 photographs that document the history of the Tempe Fire Department.



More information about Tempe History Museum
tempe.gov/Museum

Tempe Center for the Arts

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GALLERY AT TCA

“Curious Minds” Exhibition

May 4 – September 7

This juried summer exhibition is a celebration of the creative, inquisitive, and sometimes quirky minds of artists. When painters, sculptors, film makers and photographers choose to get playful with new materials and ideas, the results are always interesting for TCA visitors. Enjoy thoughtful art displays by Arizona artists who are just as curious about the world as you.



Exhibiting Artists: Talia J. Dudley, Jerome “Kulorbandit” Fleming, Harper Glantz, Chuck LaVoie, Lisa Love, Monica Aissa Martinez, Thomas McKee, Rebecca Ross, Jeff Weiss

Artists in Residence: Philip Gabriel Steverson, Shiloh Ashley (Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe), Kristen Miologos

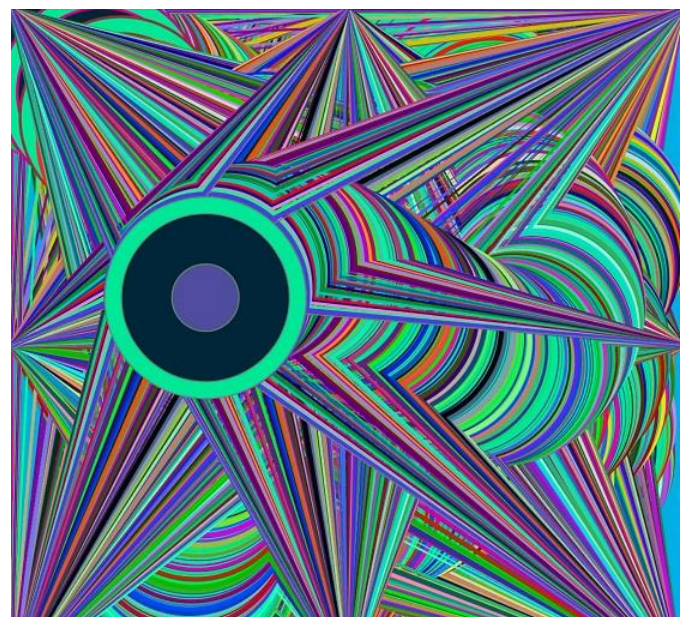
Opening Reception

Friday, May 10 | 6-9pm

Gallery Workshops

Curious Minds and Bodies with Shiloh Ashley June 1 | 10 am - 2 pm | FREE | INFO

Meet Shiloh Ashley, one of three summer Artists-in-Residence at the Gallery at TCA. Shiloh is a Phoenix-based artist and member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe. They grew up on the plains of South Dakota and the Missouri River. Today, Shiloh is an artist working in film, video, sculpture and animation. They are also an Assistant Teaching Professor of 2D Animation in the School of Art for the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts at Arizona State University. During this workshop families and visitors of all ages can learn about projection mapping and immerse themselves with music, dance and movement along with one of Shiloh’s animated projections.



TCA PRESENTS

48 LIVE: Jaleo Latin Music

May 11 | 7:30 pm | \$10 - \$15 | FREE for Members

Get ready for a night of Latin rhythms! Jaleo Latin Music brings their newest musical extravaganza, "A Trip to the Roots," to TCA. Sizzling salsa beats, captivating cumbias, and mesmerizing merengues will have you on your feet all night long. Immerse yourself in the rhythm, lose yourself in the dance, and let the music whisk you away in the roots of Latin music.



OTHER UPCOMING APRIL EVENTS

- Stray Cat Theatre: Sleeping Giant
- Arizona Theatre Company: True West
- Tempe Comedy: Class Clowns
- Tempe Comedy presents: Ed Felix
- Walk-In Wednesdays Open Mic Night

through May 18
May 24 – June 9
May 2
May 31
every Wednesday

View the full [TCA Event Calendar](#)

More information about Tempe Center for the Arts
tempecenterforthearts.com

Tempe Public Art

May 2024

Portable Works Collection

This spring Tempe Public Art expanded the Portable Works Collection with newly acquired pieces of art. Through a competitive review process, a total of thirty-three artworks were selected to join the collection. The works are two-dimensional that highlight the environment, culture, sense of place, and quality of life in the desert.

Artists include Ron Bimrose, Chiung Fang Chang, Venessa Chavez, Kenna Connelly, Fausto Fernandez, Edgar Fernandez, Frank Gonzales, Megan Driving Hawk, Regan Henley, Shachi Kale, Mark Klett, Annie Lopez, Paul Lorenz, Dan Mayer, Daniella Napolitano, Joe Ray, Champ Styles, Ben Timpson, and Yuko Yabuki.

Newly acquired artworks are being delivered this month and are expected to be on display in city facilities starting this summer.



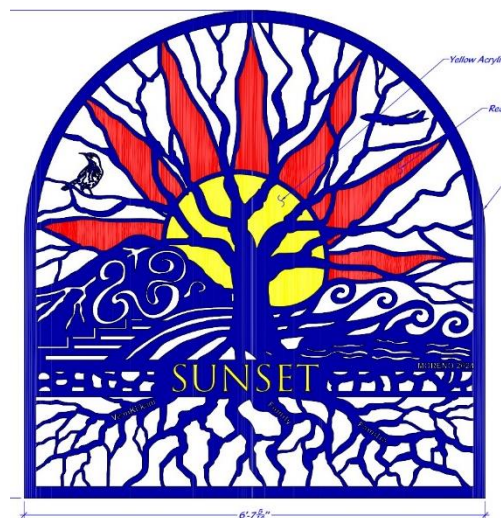
Artist Ron Bimrose

Neighborhood Grant Projects

Sunset Neighborhood

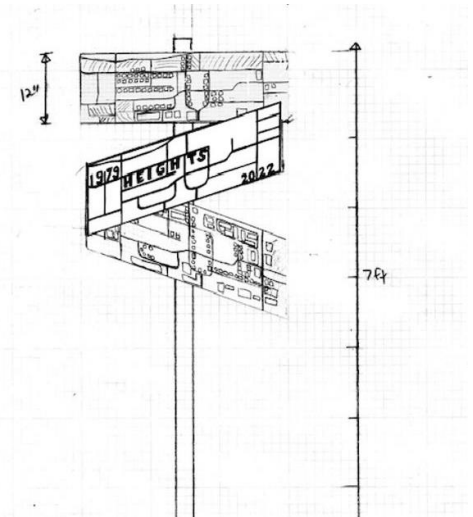
Artist Martin Moreno has been working with the Sunset Neighborhood Association on a sculpture as part of the Maryanne Corder Neighborhood Grant program. This will be the first piece of public art in the neighborhood. The sculpture will be installed on the corner of 5th Street and Beck Avenue during the Summer of 2024.

Moreno has spent the past several months working with community members to ensure that the artwork represents their area and conveys a distinctive sense of place.



University Heights Neighborhood

Artist Heidi Dauphin has been working closely with the University Heights Neighborhood to create a new sculpture to be located inside a traffic circle at the intersection of Una & Butte Avenues, North of Apache Blvd. The artwork will include tile and steel elements to create an abstracted map of the area. It is expected to be installed in October of 2024.



Maintenance

Hardy Drive Tree Sculpture

The tree sculpture on Hardy Drive (“In Bloom” by Melissa Martinez) was severely damaged in a vehicular accident last month. The artwork is being assessed to determine if it can be repaired and if so, where might be a new location. This is the third time the artwork has been damaged in a vehicle related incident and, as such, the city is looking at other potential locations should it be determined that a repair is possible. The commission will be updated with further information in the future.



Staff has been engaged in conversations regarding safe and innovative locations for artwork in transportation projects. These design discussions are intended to ensure that Tempe’s collection is safe and continue to be included in transportation projects.

9th and Wilson Standpipe

In early 2024, the standpipe at 9th and Wilson was damaged in a vehicular accident, requiring a full replacement of the standpipe itself and removal of all art tiles. The standpipe has since been replaced. Artist Joan Baron has been asked to assess the site and propose a replacement for the artwork, having determined that the tiles were damaged beyond reuse in the accident. Baron will be working with the city and community to recreate an artwork for this site within the coming year.



More information about Tempe Public Art
tempe.gov/PublicArt

Tempe Community Arts

May 2024

RECAP

Arts in the Parks: Spring Celebrations | [INFO](#)

Throughout the month of April, 2,463 participants of all ages attended Arts in the Parks events across six Tempe parks; Corbell, Optimist, Scudder, Meyer, Indian Bend and Mary and Moses Green. The Spring Celebration series engaged the community through arts activities corresponding to elements from *LaLaLuna in the Park*, a world premiere physical theater show from The Scoundrel & Scamp Theatre's Wolfe Bowart and his company [SpoonTree Productions](#). These events also featured local food vendors and performances from bands promoted on the Tempe Playlist. Thank you to Mayor Woods, Councilmember Hodge, Vice Mayor Adams and a special thank you to TACC Chair Maureen Kobierowski and TACC Vice Chair Jacqueline Swan for welcoming the crowds. Join us in the fall when Arts in the Parks returns with its Block Party series, featuring live music, food trucks and a soon to be announced collaborative art project shaped by the community.



Free Art Friday: Tots Takeover | [INFO](#)

On April 20, the Community Arts team welcomed 900 parents and their children 0-4 to our final Free Art Friday event of the spring season! In the month of April, Community Arts held two Free Art Friday events on Friday and Saturday celebrating the natural wonder and creativity of toddlers with the weekend titled "Tots Takeover". This month also featured a special performance of *WoBo Show: Clouds* from [The Scoundrel & Scamp Theatre](#) developed specifically for young children and their families.



Music Under the Stars | [INFO](#)

On Friday, April 26, the Tempe Community Arts team welcomed nearly 2,000 people and hosted 600 musicians performing at Tempe Diablo Stadium for the annual Music Under the Stars event. Students from all six Tempe Union High School District bands performed alongside professional musicians from the Arizona Wind Symphony and The Academy Drum & Bugle Corps Brass Line under beautiful Tempe night skies. The event also featured Corona and Desert Vista's steel



drums, Marcos' mariachi band and a stunning firework finale. Special thanks to Councilmember Berdetta Hodge for giving the welcome.

UPCOMING

Community Arts Grants | [INFO](#)

The Tempe Community Arts Grant program infuses long-term growth of the arts in Tempe by funding high-quality, community-initiated projects. Grant applications for the 2024-2025 season are now open, with two grants supporting groups providing arts and culture programming in Tempe. The Wavemaker Grant provides up to \$10,000 for non-profit arts organizations while the Vibrant City Grant provides up to \$2,500 for artist collectives and organizations. Both grants support inclusive arts and culture programming aimed to advance Tempe as a supportive community for artistic activity. Interested applicants are encouraged to meet with Maja Aurora for mentoring sessions on projects and applications before the deadline on July 1.



More information about Tempe Community Arts
tempe.gov/CommunityArts