



Minutes TEMPE MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION January 8, 2014

Minutes of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) recorded at 6 p.m. on January 8, 2014, within the Tempe Public Library Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Susan Bendix
Christine Cirillo-Ching
Dave Kephart
Hotchy Kiene
Kiyomi Kurooka
David Lucier
Gail Natale
Kelly Nelson
Janis Webb
Celeste Plumlee

City Staff Present:

Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator - Grants; Public Art/Art in Private Development
Joy Higgins, Public Art Assistant
Eric Iwersen, Principal Planner

Guest(s) Present:

Scott Glasser – Director, Marcos de Niza High School Orchestra
John Toliver – President, Toliver's Carpet One Floor & Home

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Robert Moore
Hilary Harp

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Maja Aurora, Arts Coordinator - Grants; Public Art/Art in Private Development, called the TMAC meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the November 13, 2013, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document

- Maja Aurora asked the TMAC members to review an **unapproved TMAC minutes document** dated **November 13, 2013**.
- **MOTION:** Janis Webb moved to approve the November 13, 2013, Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) Meeting Minutes Document as presented.
SECOND: Kelly Nelson seconded.
DECISION: Approved as presented, with an opposed vote by Gail Natale.

Agenda Item 3 - Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for 2014

- Hotchy Kiene, 2013 TMAC Chair asked TMAC members to nominate and vote for a 2014 Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. M. Aurora compiled ballots and presented the following results for Chairperson:
 - Kelly Nelson – 6 votes
 - David Kephart – 4 votes
- Because only two members were nominated for Chairperson, and none for Vice-Chairperson, the latter was awarded to David Kephart.
- The 2014 Tempe Municipal Arts Commission members selected by ballot vote are:
 - Kelly Nelson – Chairperson**
 - David Kephart – Vice Chairperson**

Agenda Item 4 – Public Art/Art in Private Development (AIPD) Report

- Eric Iwersen, COT Principal Planner, presented plans to include an art element in the Broadway Road Streetscape CIP, currently in the planning stages. Highlights of the proposed Broadway Road Streetscape Public Art Project include:
 - \$80,000 budget for artist-designed elements.
 - The artist will be commissioned to design artwork for the south facing wall located on Broadway Road between Mill Avenue and Rural Road, totaling approximately ½ linear mile of wall.
 - The selected artist will also work with the design team to influence the color and texture of the wall.
 - project to begin in fall of 2014 at the earliest and planned to complete by summer 2015
 - www.tempe.gov/BroadwayRoad
- **MOTION:** Susan Bendix moved to recommend the Broadway Road Streetscape Public Art Project and corresponding budget
- **SECOND:** Janis Webb seconded.
- **DECISION:** Recommended as presented
- John Toliver, President of Toliver's Carpet One Floor & Home, introduced a privately funded mural project planned for the Tempe store location. Highlights include:
 - Artist Scott Lobaudo will paint a 13' x 41' flag mural onto the east wall of the Toliver's store parking lot, to be completed January 20-23, 2014. Spectators are welcome. www.scottlobaudo.com
 - The mural will serve to commemorate United States soldiers and combat veterans, and will be completed in conjunction with the arrival of Steven Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation 9/11 NEVER FORGET travelling exhibit on January 24th, 2014. www.tunnel2towers.org
 - Location address: Toliver's Carpet One, 1920 E. Apache Blvd. www.tolivers.com

Agenda Item 5 – Arts Grants Report

- Scott Glasser, Director of Orchestra for Marcos de Niza High School, gave a report. Discussion highlights include:
 - The Project Grant helped fund the Ensemble-in-Residence with Tetra String Quartet, which provides band students the opportunity to receive monthly chamber ensemble coaching sessions with the Quartet. www.tetraquartet.org
 - The project gives students the chance to work with professionals in duets, trios, and quartets, as well as prepare for regional auditions and perform live as ensembles among

their peers. Tetra seeks to instill high standards of Communication, Awareness, Musicianship, and Personal Responsibility among the students.

-Friday, January 17th, 7pm, MDN Drama Room (room 222) – Elegant Evening of Chamber Music featuring the Tetra String Quartet and students from Marcos de Niza Symphony and Chamber Orchestras. Free and open to the public.

Agenda Item 6 - Commission Members' Announcements

- Hotchy Kiene, introduced **Christine Cirillo-Ching**, recently appointed to serve as a Tempe Municipal Arts Commission member, and welcomed her to the TMAC meeting.
- Hotchy Kiene reported the event *A Day for Walt* at the TCA on January 18th, 5-8pm. Festivities and live performances will continue at The Sail Inn at 9pm, 26 S. Farmer Ave., Tempe. Pay tribute to Walt Richardson as he celebrates his 60th birthday and induction into the Arizona Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame. www.tempe.gov/tca
- Kelly Nelson reported a new exhibit, *American POP! Comic Books to Science Fiction*, in the Gallery at the TCA, January 17th-June 8th, 2014. No admission charge. This exhibition for all ages highlights the ongoing popularity of satire, fantasy and escapism in the worlds of comics, graphic novels, gaming, toys, television, movies and more.
- Hotchy Kiene reported a call-for-artists from Bianca Lauren Galleries, with all art forms being accepted. Deadline to submit is February 20th for the Scottsdale gallery taking place April 12th, 2014. Bianca Lauren Galleries is a traveling art initiative to promote and sell the work of new underground artists in the U.S and international. www.biancalaurengalleries.com
- Janis Webb thanked Hotchy Kiene for serving as the 2013 Tempe Municipal Arts Commission Chair.
- Janis Webb reported the opening of *August: Osage County*, January 31st-February 9th, 2014, at the Mesa Arts Center, Nesbit Playhouse. Janis has been cast as Maddie Fay in the production. www.mesaartscenter.com

Agenda Item 7 - Public Appearances

- No appearances.

Agenda Item 8 - Adjournment

- The next Tempe Municipal Arts Commission (TMAC) meeting will be held on February 12, 2014 at the Tempe Transportation Center in the Don Cassano Community Room, 200 E. 5th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.**

Prepared By: Joy Higgins

Reviewed By: Maja Aurora and Barbara Roberts