



City of Glendale

ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

*Chair Nicole Riley
Vice-Chair Derrell Barber
Commissioner Chris Kennedy
Commissioner Lorraine Zomok
Commissioner Jose Aguinaga
Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker*

August 18, 2021

6:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Riley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Nicole Riley, Chair
Derrell Barber, Vice Chair
Jose Aguinaga, Commissioner
Chris Kennedy, Commissioner
Kaitlyn Whittaker, Commissioner

Absent: Lorraine Zomok, Commissioner

Also Present: Mojgan Vahabzadeh, Arts & Culture Program Manager

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Motion: Approval of the Arts Commission Minutes of May 27, 2021

Motioned by Commissioner Chris Kennedy, seconded by Vice Chair Derrell Barber

AYE: Chair Nicole Riley
Vice Chair Derrell Barber
Commissioner Jose Aguinaga
Commissioner Chris Kennedy
Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker

Other: Commissioner Lorraine Zomok (ABSENT)

Passed

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. ACTION: Live @ Murphy Park Temporary Art Installation

Motion: To approve funding in the amount of \$10,000 for a temporary art installation by Kris Kollasch of Fine Art & Creative Environments, LLC for Live! @ Murphy Park

Motioned by Commissioner Chris Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker

AYE: Chair Nicole Riley

Vice Chair Derrell Barber

Commissioner Jose Aguinaga

Commissioner Chris Kennedy

Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker

Other: Commissioner Lorraine Zomok (ABSENT)

Passed

b. ACTION: FY 2021-2022 Performing Arts Grants

Ms. Vahabzadeh announced the purpose of the agenda item was for the Commissioners to make final selections for the FY2021-2022 Performing Arts Grants. Ms. Vahabzadeh explained that in advance of the meeting, the Commissioners individually reviewed and scored the applications using the Submittable online grant management program. She displayed the scoring results. Discussion was held regarding the applications, criteria, and scoring.

Motion: To approve funding the top scoring fifteen FY2021-2022 Performing Arts Grant proposals, which are as follows:

- Women in Song at the Glendale Main Library
- 2020-21 Driftwood – Glendale Live @ the Library Partnership
- DanceAZ School Residency Program at Don Mesendick
- Luna & Solis
- PCM at Heritage
- Foothills Library and Glendale School Performances
- Japanese Taiko Drumming, Reflections of Culture
- CAFE Flute Concert
- Live at the Library
- VALOR Film and Music Festival
- An Evening of Contemporary Dance & Film
- The Story of Our Journey Performance Project
- Storytelling for Survival
- Red Rock Crossing Band LIVE in Glendale
- The Sacred G's

Motioned by Commissioner Chris Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Jose Aguinaga

AYE: Chair Nicole Riley

Vice Chair Derrell Barber

Commissioner Jose Aguinaga

Commissioner Chris Kennedy

Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker

Other: Commissioner Lorraine Zomok (ABSENT)

Passed

6. STAFF UPDATES

Ms. Vahabzadeh thanked the Commissioners for their patience with meeting virtually and took a poll on whether or not to continue virtually or to begin in-person meetings. It was agreed that the Commission would continue to meet over the next few months via Zoom.

Ms. Vahabzadeh reported that Ballet Under the Stars performance will take place on Thursday, September 30th at 7:00 p.m. at Sahuaro Ranch Park. She relayed food trucks will be on site starting at 5:30 p.m. and she will send a promotional flyer with parking information to the Commissioners.

Ms. Vahabzadeh announced that, in support of live performing arts in the West Valley, the City of Glendale has a table for six attendees at the opening night of the Arizona Broadway Theatre's performance of the musical 'Chicago' on Saturday, September 18th at 5:00 p.m. She invited the Commissioners to attend with a guest. Chair Riley, Vice Chair Barber, and Commissioner Whittaker replied that they were available to attend.

7. COMMISSION COMMENTS

There were no comments.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Glendale Arts Commission will be held on Thursday, September 23 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Motioned by Commissioner Chris Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker

AYE: Chair Nicole Riley

Vice Chair Derrell Barber

Commissioner Jose Aguinaga

Commissioner Chris Kennedy

Commissioner Kaitlyn Whittaker

Other: Commissioner Lorraine Zomok (ABSENT)

Passed

The Arts Commission meeting minutes of August 18, 2021 were submitted and approved this 28th day of October, 2021.

Mojgan Vahabzadeh
Arts & Culture Program Manager