



Spokane Arts Commission
October 23, 2018
4:30 pm
Dean Davis Studios

	PRESENTER	ACTION	TIME
Welcome Review minutes		Vote Needed	4:35 pm
SAGA Next info session R3 announcement December 1	Melissa	Informational	4:40 pm
Programming Updates Arts Awards debrief Arts Month check-in Public Art project updates Murals update Signal box calls Poetry Out Loud SATURATE call	Mika Melissa	Participatory Informational	4:45 pm
Advocacy Cultural Congress report Arts & Heritage Day 2019	All	Informational Participatory	5:15 pm
Updates from Commissioners Design Review Board ArtsWA Communications Committee Arts Awards committee Murals committee STA CCL committee Meet the Makers (others as needed)	All	Participatory	5:20 pm
New Business/Good of the Commission	All	Participatory	5:35 pm
Close of meeting			5:45 pm

2018 GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS ALL HELD 4:30PM AT VISIT SPOKANE	2018 ARTS COMMISSION MEETINGS ALL HELD 4:30PM
Wednesday, November 7	Tuesday, November 27

SAC OCTOBER BOARD MEETING| OCTOBER 23, 2018

DEAN DAVIS STUDIOS, 216 W PACIFIC

Meeting Open: 4:35 PM

Notes taken by Mika Maloney

Board Members Present: Dean Davis, Chuck Horgan, Chase Ogden, Jean Klundt, Melissa Parker, Garrett Daggett, Jim Kolva, Rebekah Wilkins-Pepiton, Derrick Oliver, Elisabeth Mermann-Jozwiak, Dave Buescher,

Staff Members Present: Melissa Huggins, Mika Maloney

Visitors:

Absent: Katie Patterson Larson, E.J. Iannelli, Ginger Ewing, Denny Carmen, Karli Ingersoll,

Opening

- Dean welcomed and opened meeting, Mika distributed agenda and minutes.
- **MOTION 4:35** Elisabeth moved to approve meeting minutes, Chase seconded. Unanimous approval, no discussion.

SAGA

Melissa: Next SAGA informational session to be held in Airway Heights; outlying areas are eligible to apply for SAGA grants as long as there would be a significant impact from their project in Spokane. Current selection panel reviewing Round 3 applicants and meeting in mid-November to select final round grantee; to be announced on December 1. Currently in conversation with Artist Trust about doing a joint event to celebrate the Round 3 grantee and the recently announced Spokane Artist Trust GAP recipients.

Past grantee updates: Millwood Printworks is currently looking for a new location. Equipment is in storage. Potentially looking at partnering with other local artists for studio and class space in the St. Cloud building on Monroe and Maxwell. Jim: will connect about other potential spaces located downtown for them to consider.

Programming/ Staff Updates

Mika: Arts Awards went smoothly; thanks to the Commissioners that attended and helped make the event a success. Slightly lower attendance than last year but still a very strong turnout and good reception to the new date (as Arts Month kick-off instead of wrap up event). Please send any feedback to Mika to keep in mind for next year's event. Overall very happy with the venue.

Arts Month events have been going smoothly. Arts Month cocktail series still ongoing; won't know how successful that has been until the end of the month.

Melissa: changing the name of Arts Month from Create Spokane has been successful; have heard people referring to Arts Month and feel like there's better overall understanding and more clarity.

Public Art (Melissa):

RFP--Contract amendment nearly signed with Meejin Yoon to oversee RFP sculpture project through completion. Park Board approved the budget. Cost estimate for the art markers came back at less than half the estimated cost so that helps with ensuring sufficient funds will be allocated for that. Able to

work with a local fabricator on those which helped lower costs without need for shipping. Still need to allocate funds for lighting.

Garrett asked about changes to budget to reflect the revised structural changes; Melissa said yes, that was all submitted and reviewed and approved with this round of the budget. Still waiting for the last glulam bid to come in for final numbers.

South Gorge Trail—will run through Peaceful Valley and connect a loop from Huntington Plaza through Peaceful Valley along the river, across the Sandifur Bridge and back downtown on the Centennial Trail. Planning for 1-2 pieces of artwork on that trail. One piece will be near the burial grounds, paid for through public dollars budgeted by the city (est. \$30,000 budget for artwork), and doesn't have a set theme yet but the city wants to honor native history/the history of the site. An open call for artists will be created and the process will be administered by Spokane Arts. The city/project planners are considering a second, much smaller piece in Red Band Park using donated funds rather than public dollars, and think it's likely it will be a fish sculpture. There was general dismay and discussion about the idea of another fish sculpture and potential limits of the influence of the Arts Commission on the subject selection. Melissa will ask the city some follow up questions and email an update to SAC. Jim asked about the timing of the trail and who is designing it; Melissa said feedback will go to the designers in mid-November, not sure of the timeline after that; can look up the designer's name and pass it on.

Global Credit Union new construction project: GCU has been in contact about a potential sculpture to be located outside their new drive-through location. We encouraged them to do an open call but timeline might limit that and they will probably directly recruit someone instead. They are interested in a military veteran artist; any suggestions of potential artists appreciated. (Jim suggested Dick Schindler and Tom Aspen.) Commissioners would like to see the art work connect to gateway designs that will be nearby. GCU is also interested in that and might also be partnering on funding.

Murals—

Stevens Underpass: Beka talked about successful installation of the Stevens Underpass mural by artist Matt Smith. People are responding positively. Mika: anti-graffiti coating was installed over the fish on the inset panels.

Retaining Wall: Stevens/BNSF retaining wall mural installation is postponed until Spring 2019 due to delays awaiting final approval from BNSF. Artists Shelby Allison and Susan Webber will be doing the mural when the weather is warmer (and BNSF approval is finalized); contracted extended through August 2019.

North Hill: Daniel Lopez is nearly finished with the North Hill mural on Post that was presented to the Commission earlier in 2018.

Signal Boxes—

Currently two calls, open until 11/9. Please encourage people to apply, there are 24 boxes that will be covered. Lots of people have questions about how to apply; direct them to email mika@spokanearts.org if they are having any issues with the application process.

Garrett saw good coverage about the program on Q6 recently.

Poetry Out Loud—

Individual teachers may currently sign up for their classes to participate; deadline approaching November 9. Homeschool students are eligible to participate if they are connected with a specific class/teacher. Melissa will look into if school librarians can administer the program or if it has to be a classroom teacher.

SATURATE—

Remelisa created a call to have interested artists submit to be potentially selected for Chase Gallery SATURATE show and/or be paired with other galleries/venues participating in SATURATE. Please share the link and help promote.

Advocacy

Melissa: Cultural Congress in Ellensburg to prepare for 2019 legislative session had good Spokane presence. Ginger, Luke, Anne-Claire, Shelly, Melissa, and Juan Mas all attended and/or spoke on panels. Ben Stuckart received a Local Hero Award for his work on the admissions tax.

Arts and Heritage Day is Feb 6, 2019; Commissioners are invited to join us to visit our representatives in Olympia. Additional help before the date could be used in helping set up appointments, setting up meetings in advance of the session. Dean offered to donate a small desktop artwork as a gift for each representative. (Thanks Dean!)

Dean: question about how to value performers times and how to ask for money (P2P getting requested to perform without compensation). Mika: part of 2019 Pro Dev goals to address some of these related questions. Jim: what kind of groups are making these requests; can we develop something to educate them? Discussion on potential ways commissioners and the SAC could help address this issue.

Updates from commissioners

New Business/ Good of the Commission

Bartlett/Millwood Printworks fundraiser event on Halloween

Jean: First Night is not happening; City might still do fireworks show

Melissa: DSP is recruiting volunteers to help restore the Crescent holiday window displays

Dean: up to 65 poets for current project; continuing to photograph additional poets in preparation for fall 2019 show at the MAC.

GU PAC to be dedicated April 11th; Melissa and Elisabeth to coordinate date for SAC tour

Dave: AIA Art & Architecture panel Tuesday at Overbluff with Ginger and Melissa

Closing

- Close of meeting, 5:45
- **Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 27, 4:30pm**