

SAC MINUTES | June 22, 2021

HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

Meeting Open: 4:30 p.m.

Notes taken by Chris Maccini

Board Members Present: Andrew Whitver, Chris Maccini, Remelisa Cullitan, E.J. Iannelli, Emma Noyes, Miguel Gonzales, Madison Bush, Katie Patterson Larson, Eva Silverstone

Staff Members Present: Mika Maloney

Absent:, Daniel Lopez, Patty Tully, Chuck Horgan, Melissa Huggins

Opening

- E.J. opened the meeting and called to order.
- Reviewed March Minutes. Eva motioned to approve. Andrew seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Programming (Mika)

- Murals
 - Bike murals are being installed. There will be six in total going in over the next few weeks.
 - Mural workshops this week - Thursday 6/24 classroom session and then painting downtown on Saturday 6/26.
 - Mural apprenticeships with Joshua on Riverfront court underway.
 - Riverfront Park Court Mural ribbon cutting event will be Saturday 6/26 with Hoopfest-related activities, games, etc.
- Liberty Park Library Art (Eva)
 - Bainbridge Island-based artist Shawn Parks installed new public art at Liberty Park Library. It looks great. Go see it! A video was recorded too, and will be posted soon.
- Juneteenth Block Party at MLK Center
 - Spokane Arts had a booth with art activities. Art Demos and collage art activity thanks to Art Salvage (thanks, Katie!). Good turnout. It felt great to be out at a community event again.
- Five Mile Neighborhood Public Art Call
 - Call is open for public art located in a roundabout at Five Mile and Strong roads. Short timeline and a pretty small budget. Neighborhood would like to emphasize outreach to Native artists. Deadline is July 15th: <https://spokanearts.org/opportunities/five-mile-neighborhood-roundabout-call-for-art/>
- Chase Gallery
 - Installing this week with the hope that City Hall and the gallery will be open July 1st. There won't be a First Friday opening, but hopefully people will be able to come and view the show. Share and invite people to visit.

Grantmaking (Mika)

- SAGA Round 2 Selection Panel meets mid-July
- Downtown Cultural Event Grant Opportunity
 - Deadline is June 25th. Up to \$5000 for new or existing cultural events: <https://spokanearts.org/opportunities/downtown-spokane-cultural-event-grant/>
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Committee Updates from Commissioners

- Flag Committee (Andrew) - Committee has been dissolved. The flag flew for one day, then was replaced by Pride flag for June, but it will return in July.
- Spokane Arts Awards (Mika)
 - Committee decided to prioritize one event, rather than a higher ticket event or dinner prior to the awards.
 - If you have ideas for performers, hosts, etc. Please send them to Mika.
 - Award Nominations will open mid-July. Please watch for those and share.
- Public Art (Eva)
 - Library also bought about thirty 2-D pieces by local artists which will be hung in libraries throughout the city. The first batch is being hung this week at the Shadle Park Library. They are “portable” works, so they may be moved around to other branches in the future.

New business/ Good of the Commission

- Andrew - Any update on the Monaghan statue downtown?
 - Mika - Don't know, but the movement is still moving forward, if slowly. Will check with Melissa and report back.
 - Emma - The latest I heard was that the group has been meeting monthly and soon the strategy will include bringing in stakeholders such as business and property owners nearby.
- Mika/Melissa - Spokane Native artist(s) to create protest art out of Ft. George Wright Drive sign. Details TBD.
- Chris - Update on Spokane Indians court mural changes?
 - Mika shared updated image. It looks better, but still a couple of suggestions regarding placement of lettering. Mika will try to follow up with graphic designer who is working on the design.
- Andrew - Queer Art Walk was very successful, Exceeded expectations. Thank you to everyone who helped and participated.
- Eva - Shout out to Remelisa for the event at Center Place on AAPI Heritage month. Her artwork was all over. Bravo!
- Remelisa - Show with other BLM mural artists at Terrain in July.
- Eva - There may be an artist's event in October at the Pavilion in Riverfront Park? Could be a cool event. Details TBD.

Closing

- Motion to close, 5:22 p.m. Unanimous approval without discussion.
- **Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 27nd. Meeting will be in-person at an outdoor location at West End Plaza**