

## SAC MINUTES | October 25, 2022

HELD IN PERSON AND VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

**Meeting Open:** 4:30 p.m.

Notes taken by Chris Maccini

**Board Members Present:** Chris Maccini, Eva Silverstone, Chuck Horgan, Audrey Overstreet, Patty Tully, Kelly Baker, Emma Noyes, Madison Bush, Michael Bethely, Dylan Le.

**Staff Members Present:** Shantell Jackson, Melissa Huggins

**Absent:** Daniel Lopez, Remelisa Cullitan.

### Opening

- Katie opened the meeting and called to order.
- September Minutes reviewed. Chris motioned to approve. Patty seconded. Approved without discussion. Madison abstained from vote.

### Public Comment

- None

### Programming

#### **Chase Gallery (Shantell)**

- Lenora Lopez in the galley. Had an artist talk on Friday. Not well attended, but a good talk.
- Chase Gallery Committee met and getting ready for 2023 call to artists. Details to come.
- Community School show upcoming in Chase Gallery for December
- 2023 kick off with a group show for the month of January.
- November First Friday reception. Commissioners encouraged to come help out.

#### **Utility Box Wraps (Shantell)**

- Mead Middle School utility box wraps student project underway
- 159 applicants for latest open call utility box wraps. Committee is working to select artists.
- Shantell did a lot of work to help artists submit this time around. Eva suggested holding a training for artists on how to prepare/submit utility box designs for upcoming high school artist utility box call.

#### **Murals (Shantell)**

- Committee to meet soon
- Mural maintenance has been underway and is ongoing.

#### **Public Art (Melissa)**

- *The Seeking Place* in Riverfront Park is completed and open to the public! Has been well received all around. Good turnout at the ribbon cutting.
- Installation of *Stepwell* in Riverfront Park is ongoing. It's progressing quickly and *growing!* Goal is to have the sculpture finished by the end of November. Still discussing whether to have a ribbon cutting event this fall/winter or wait until the spring.

#### **Street Murals (Melissa)**

- \$900K in funding (over three years) has been approved by City Council for street murals in intersections and crosswalks in every neighborhood!
- Up to 29 intersections and at least 9 crosswalks to be installed over the next three years.
- Money is coming from "traffic calming" fund collected through tickets from school zone speeding, etc.

- Artists, artwork, location, etc. will be chosen in conjunction with Neighborhood Councils, Arts Commission, and City Streets Department.
- Spokane Arts will be hiring a part-time employee to administer this program.
- Lots more information to come! Murals committee to be involved.

### **Grantmaking (Melissa)**

#### **SAGA**

- 30 applicants for the latest round of SAGA - last one of 2022. Selection panel will be reviewing.
- Next SAGA application deadline is Feb 1st.

### **Advocacy (Melissa)**

- Currently no one signed up for the Advocacy Committee, but we have some opportunities upcoming for advocacy.
- WA State Legislature Session begins in January. Arts Advocacy Day will be in February - a chance to meet with state legislatures to advocate for statewide arts projects/funding.
- Inspire WA would like to designate "regional captains" for spearheading statewide advocacy to serve as a liaison between meetings with legislators and Inspire WA.
  - Captains would also support Shantell in coordinating/scheduling meetings with legislators and help recruit individuals to meet with legislators.
  - Hoping that Spokane's captain (or co-captains) would come from the Arts Commission. Please let Melissa know if you're interested.

### **Updates from Commissioners**

- Design Review Board (Chuck) - nothing new to report.
- Murals committee will meet this coming Thursday

### **New Business / Good of the Commission**

- Eva
  - Spokane is Reading events are tomorrow (10/26) at 1pm at North Spokane and 7pm at Central Library.
  - Tile workshop was held this past Saturday at the Hive. 30 people in attendance. Next one is Sat. Nov 12.
  - Saturday, November 5: Artist demo and art market (33 artists) at the Hive (great place for holiday presents!)
  - Carl Richardson and Mardis Nenno show at the Terrain Gallery through October - all artworks created at the Hive during their residency.
- Michael
  - Christmas Concert coming up in December.
  - Lilac City Legends semi-pro basketball tournament Nov. 5-6 at Valley Christian School. Raising funds for Access Success Foundation - funding for activities for people with disabilities. \$15 for adults \$7 for kids.
- Madison - New exhibits at the MAC including Lila Shaw Girvin and American Impressionism
- Patty - The usual events (music, art, etc.) at Baby Bar/Neato!
- Melissa - Reminder: Friday Dec. 2nd - Arts Commission Holiday Party!

### **Closing**

- Motion to close, 5:34 p.m. Unanimous approval without discussion.
- **Next Meeting: November 22, 4:30 pm**