Visual Arts Commission Minutes
Thursday, July 17, 2014 | 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Cedar Rapids City Hall – Blairs Ferry Conference Room
101 First Street SE, Cedar Rapids IA 52401

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Also in Attendance: Seth Gunnerson & Kirsty Sanchez

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 by Chairman Stamats

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes, June 12, 2014
   A motion was made by Knierim, seconded by Ottoson, to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2014 meeting, with unanimous approval.

2. Introduction of new members
   Mary Ottoson and Kim Vogel were introduced to the Commission. Barbara Green was also recently appointed to the Visual Arts Commission and will be in attendance at the next meeting.

3. Marketing
   a. Update on brochure from Kirkwood interns
      The interns are working on collecting information on different pieces. They asked staff to provide them with descriptions of the artwork from Suzy McGrane-Hop as well as a list of artists and newer pieces. The interns will return with a rough draft in September. Staff will try to coordinate a meeting with the interns and Outreach Committee before the September meeting.

4. Storage of artwork not on display
   a. Status of 3 pieces being reframed by Suzy McGrane-Hop
      The 3 Ann Royer paintings will be ready to be displayed within the next week or two. It was suggested that these pieces be hung in the hallway at City Hall for the public to see.
Staff will have informational tags made to identify the pieces. Once the Collections Manager position is created, they will help to determine which pieces should be reframed next.

b. **Finding a location to display artwork in storage**
   Staff will coordinate a time to look at Landwave to determine whether or not it sustained damage. If there is no damage, Chairman Stamats will be contact the Convention Center one last time to see if they will display the piece.

   Seth will contact the GTC, Recreation Center, and Nature Center to see if they are interested in displaying artwork that is currently in storage.

c. **Airport Artwork**
   Kirsty will contact Heather at the Airport and suggest that she contact the colleges, Science Station, School Districts, NewBo Market, and Art Museum to see if any of these locations would be interested in displaying the artwork that is no longer being used at the Airport.

5. **Collections Management update**
   Staff will set up a meeting with Finance to put together a RFQ for the Collections Management Position.

6. **2% Policy update**
   Staff met with Finance regarding the 2% Policy. Staff will contact the Public Works Department to schedule time to review their proposed budget to see if any of the proposed projects can be used as a source for the Visual Enhancement Fund. This fund will be used for the Collections Management position as well as maintenance. The new budget will be adopted in January.

   Staff will work on a list that prioritizes funding and locations for new artwork.

7. **Announcements / Items for next meeting**
   a. **“The Artist as a Community Leader” Workshop** – Jun-Li, Springboard for the Arts
      July 18th & 19th at CSPS

   b. **IgniteCR in 2015**
      We will discuss IgniteCR in detail and possibly put together a committee at the next VAC meeting. We will discuss the possibility of having businesses select and sponsor projects (Shark Tank).

c. **Community Conversations with the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs**
   July 24th from 5:00-7:00 at NCSML. RSVP online

d. **NEXUS – Why Art Matters Forum**
e. Murals and More – August VAC Meeting

8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: August 14, 2014