

**Sammamish Arts Commission
February 28, 2011
Sammamish City Hall – 6:30pm
Minutes**

Attendance

Art Commissioners: Barbara Jirsa, Daphne Robinson, Molly Strange

Alternate: Jingyu Li

Staff: Allison Gubata

Guests: Anna Macrae, Ann Shen, Jackie Zhao, Chris Pribernow, Ram Dutt

Absent: Deborah Akerstrom, Bala Subramanian, Bharath Sankaranarayan
RochelleWyatt, Lyman Howard

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm by commission Chair, Daphne Robinson

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 24, 2011 meeting were approved via email.

Chinese Cultural Celebration Applause

The first of hopefully many, Chinese New Year/Cultural Celebration (2/5/11) was a wonderful success. The first floor of City Hall was filled to capacity. Much support was given by the Northwest Chinese School and coordinated by Jackie Zhao, tireless volunteer work by Ann Shen, Jinjyu Li and many Chinese community resources. A request was made to make this an annual event, which is under consideration. Jingyu Li will be following up with “thank you” cards for participants.

Tree Socks

Chris Pribernow, senior at Eastlake HS, voiced his disapproval of Suzanne Tidwell’s Tree Sock installation at the intersection of 228th avenue NE and Wolf Pack Way. Chair, Daphne Robinson, thanked Mr. Pribernow for taking the time to share his thoughts on this project. He was informed that the public art project was funded privately and not funded by City of Sammamish/Arts Commission funds with the exception of small signage. Mr. Pribernow was advised to share his concerns with Sammamish City Council.

2011 Budget and Financial Report

Total expenses reported to date: \$340.12. Balance remaining: \$25,459.88

Letter of 4Culture Sustained Support Grant Confirmation

Daphne Robinson read the letter from 4Culture congratulating the Sammamish Arts Commission for providing consistently strong arts programming for the community and confirming the award of \$5,000 for each 2011 and 2012 fiscal years. Additional funding of \$3,000 has been awarded to support the Spring Tree Sock installation.

Art Fair

Art Fair Chair, Anna Macrae, presented an update on planning for the annual 2011 Art Fair scheduled to take place 10/8/11 & 10/9/11 at Sammamish City Hall. A motion was made and carried to increase Art fair budget to \$7,000, which will include \$2,000

for children's programs and events at Sammamish Library. Rochelle Wyatt will coordinate the programs. Daphne Robinson will serve as SAC liaison to the Art Fair Planning Committee. With regards to the question of printing vendors, the Art Fair Committee is encouraged to use a vendor that provides the service and skill that is the best fit. The vendor may set up a billing relationship with the City. Allison Gubata will facilitate.

Guiding Principles

Final draft of the Sammamish Arts Commission Guiding Principles was approved and will be posted on the City web site. A brief Mission Statement was also approved and will be added to the web site.

Guest Presentation

Ram Dutt presented his online service, *Meylah*, which focuses on creating easy to navigate online presence to "empower creative communities to: learn, create and succeed."

Wooden-O-Theatre

Following review of the 2011 program budget and expenditures, it was determined that the Sammamish Arts Commission could offer \$1,700 to support the cost of one performance by Wooden-O-Theatre, in collaboration with Parks Department, scheduled for 7/16/11.

Documentary Film

"Painted Life" by film maker, Jacob Pander and based on the life of Dutch painter Henk Pander, may be too long for our target audience. Molly will continue conversations with Mr. Pander to explore the idea of showing part of the film followed by Q & A and other concepts. The cost, including stipend, is TBD.

Marketing Materials Style Guide Consultant

Barbara Jirsa has a contact who can assist in creating a style template for marketing materials, information checklist and native file for logos. Cost of service to be in range of \$250 - \$400. Project was approved.

SAMMI Award Art

10 original art pieces of juried work will be installed at City Hall. Reception for the artists will be 3/24/11. Barbara Jirsa will handle the marketing for this event.

Program Calendar Updates

Simple Measures – Tuesday, June 7, 2011
Recycle Art Exhibit reception – 6/8/11 or 6/9/11

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

Next regular SAC meeting: Monday March 28, 2011 6:30 pm City Hall