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## **Visual Arts Commission Agenda**

Thursday, October 9, 2014 | 3:00 – 5:00 pm  
Cedar Rapids City Hall – Blairs Ferry Conference Room  
101 First Street SE, Cedar Rapids IA 52401

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes, September 11, 2014
2. Storage of artwork not on display
  - a. Finding a location to display artwork
    - i. Seth & Kirsty working on updating list of artwork and current locations
    - ii. Discuss potential locations for artwork in storage
    - iii. Discuss Frame
3. Collections Management Update
4. Review Work Plan for 2015
  - a. Review & provide input for 2015 goals
5. Announcements / Items for next meeting
6. Adjournment

*Next Meeting: November 13, 2014*

## Visual Arts Commission Minutes

Thursday, September 11, 2014 | 3:00 – 5:00 pm  
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<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Not Present</i>
Bill Stamats, Chairman	X	
Ann Knierim		X
Arbe Bareis		X
Mel Andringa	X	
Marilee Fowler	X	
Lynn Ocken	X	
Barbara Green	X	
Kim Vogel	X	
Mary Ottoson	X	

1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes, August 21, 2014**  
A motion was made by Green, seconded by Ottoson with unanimous approval.
  
2. **Murals & More – Mike Mesch**  
A presentation was made by Mike Mesch on Murals & More. They would like to create a series of mural trails showing the history of Cedar Rapids, our present state, and our future. Their goal is to have 2 murals completed by 2016. The proposed location for the next mural is the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE parkade. The theme for this mural will be performing arts and mural is expected to be completed in 2015.  
There will be an Art Exchange at the Paramount Theatre on November 20<sup>th</sup>.
  
3. **Discuss committees/Assign new members**
  - a. *Outreach (Arbe, Marilee, Lynn)*
    - i. *Update on brochure/art map from Kirkwood interns*  
Ottoson volunteered to serve on the Outreach Committee.  
Different options for brochure covers were presented before the group. The interns will continue working on the brochure to include write-ups and pictures of selected artwork. The Outreach Committee will have a separate meeting with the interns to provide further guidance on the brochure. The interns will return in November to show their progress.
  - b. *Collections Management (Mel, Arbe, Marilee, Ann)*  
The Collections Manager position should take on the responsibilities of this committee once the position has been established.
  - c. *Artwork Review (Bill, Ann)*  
Green and Vogel volunteered to serve on the Artwork Review Committee. Staff will coordinate a time for the Artwork Review Committee to view artwork in storage.
  
4. **Storage of artwork not on display**

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- a. *Finding a location to display artwork in storage*
    - i. *Seth & Kirsty working on updating list of artwork and current locations*
    - ii. *Discuss potential locations for frame*

The Artwork Review Committee will look for the frame in Ellis Park. Staff will work on finding out how long the City has had the frame, the past locations, and the history of the frame.
  5. **2% Policy Update**

Staff has requested to see the proposed budget from Public Works to see if there are any projects that the 2% Policy applies to. Public Works will follow up with Staff once their budget has been updated.
  6. **Collections Management Update**

Staff submitted a request to the Finance Department for an RFQ for the Collections Manager position. This RFQ will be shared with the VAC prior to being posted.
  7. **Greene Square Park Sculpture**

The sale of the Mott building will fund the sculpture in Greene Square from Linn County. The County is expecting to receive approximately \$250K from the sale of the building. Questions were raised as to whether a portion of that \$250K should be allocated towards insurance for the sculpture. Staff will look into this and provide an update at October's meeting. It is still undecided whether Skyblade will remain in Greene Square or not.
  8. **Review Work Plan for 2015**

Staff will provide an updated Work Plan at the October meeting to reflect 2014 accomplishments.
  9. **IgniteCR**
    - a. *Form a committee*
    - b. *Brainstorm ideas for event*
    - c. *Discuss potential dates/timing for event*

After discussion, it was decided to table IgniteCR to a later date when all members are present.
  10. **Announcements / Items for next meeting**

Andringa suggested that the Commissioners take turns on presenting an article on public art to help stimulate ideas for the Visual Arts Commission. He volunteered to bring an article for the October meeting.
  11. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31

*Next Meeting: October 9, 2014*