

**Civic Arts Commission Minutes**  
**Community Chambers Conference Room**  
**January 9, 2006**

**Commissioners Present:** Joanna Stone (Chair), James Allen (Vice Chair) Edelgard Brunelle, Roy Engoron, Casey Hutchins, Suzanna Duffy-Tajeldin, Stacey Vetter  
**Commissioners Absent:** Pat Burkhardt (alternate)  
**Staff Present:** Esther Polito, Cultural Services Manager; Torrey Cummings, Program Assistant

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Chair Stone called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

**1. Approval of agenda.**

**Action:** Commissioner Brunelle moved, and Commissioner Hutchins seconded, approval of the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**Action:** Commissioner Hutchins moved to approve the November minutes as amended. Commissioner Engoron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. Written Communications** Regular monthly publications and announcements were made available.

**4. Public Communications** None.

**5. Staff, City Council, Commission Communications:**

**A. Art in Public Places: February Meeting** Staff announced that the February agenda would consist mainly of discussion about future public art projects.

**B. Art in Private Development** Staff Polito reported on the status of the resolution and report, noting that it will go before the City Council as soon as possible. Commissioner Allen was appointed to speak on behalf of the CAC at the Council meeting.

**6. 2006 Arts Contracts Applications** Commissioners reviewed the finalist's applications and the supplemental information that had been received. By consensus, the Commission deferred consideration of the Tree Davis application for a freestanding sculpture and appointed Commissioners Vetter and Hutchins to serve as a subcommittee to meet with applicants and discuss issues related to siting, maintenance, and final design parameters. Staff reported that Tree Davis has already been informed of the need for additional review

and has already begun the process of site evaluation. Staff will schedule a meeting as soon as possible.

**Action: Commissioner Enogoron moved, and Chair Stone seconded, a recommendation that Council approve the following 2006 Art Contract projects:**

- 02-06 Colombian Serenade: \$1,900 for personnel and miscellaneous costs related to the seventh annual Columbian cultural celebration in December, 2006.**
- 03-06 Donna Wren/Community Meals: \$1,800 for two musicians to give twice-weekly concerts at Davis Community Meals.**
- 04-06 Kids Create/Pence Gallery: \$4,000 for partial support of a series of Saturday “drop in” art workshops for children at the Pence Gallery. Other costs will be paid for by project revenue and sponsorship support.**
- 05-06 California Duck Days: \$450 to provide a stipend and miscellaneous printing costs to support the annual children’s art event.**
- 06-06 Sunflower Art Competition: \$2,112 for personnel, publicity and supplies for art workshops open to mental health clients and general public, with additional funds being raised by applicant through donations and project revenue. Applicant requested to provide a breakdown of participation prior to any 2007 application.**
- 07-06 UC Davis Student Craft Fair/April Kamen: Approval to use Central Park for a student craft fair organized by UCD Experimental College, and a fee waiver for the cost of placing a reservation for the use.**
- 09-06 The Way Eye See It/Victoria Bourne: \$950 for personnel, materials and supplies and miscellaneous expenses for an exhibit of art by disabled adults who live in the Davis/Sacramento region. Exhibit will be held at the Pence Gallery.**
- 13-06 Cesar Chavez Bust: \$3,500 to pay for costs of modifying, casting and installing a bust of Cesar Chavez that has been donated by artist Lisa Reinertson to the Cesar Chavez elementary school. Commissioners asked staff to strongly encourage that the applicants add lighting to the installation.**
- 14-06 Harper Jr. High Collaborative Artwork: \$3,000 to be used for a portion of the costs related to creating and installing a mosaic mural of Frances Harper. When added to the \$1,000 planning contract already approved, total city funding for this project would equal \$4,000, a 1:1 match to Harper School Site Council’s contribution of \$4,000.**
- 15-06 Acme Theatre: \$4,000 for stipends and publicity costs needed for a summer collaboration between Acme Theatre Co. and L. A. Theatre Ensemble.**

**Project consists of a week of theatre based workshops offered to local teens and a preview of the Ensemble's new collaborative work. Staff was asked to approve publicity budget details prior to completing contractual arrangements.**

**16-06 Mosaic Benches at Arroyo Park: \$2,000 for artist's stipend and miscellaneous expenses to complete Patwin School's mosaic bench project in Arroyo Park. Funding is recommendation is provisional, requiring the applicant submit visual support materials, further description of project's integration with school curriculum and a site plan for the Commission's for final approval prior to finalizing any contractual arrangements.**

**17-06 Wall of Motion/Explorit: \$4,000 to pay for a portion of the artist Chris Daubert's fee for creating and installing a permanent art installation in the entry of the new Explorit center expansion. The project has a substantial grant of \$20,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts.**

**18-06 Rural Livelihoods/Steve Bonnel: \$1,500 for a photo-documentary project about local farmers. Location for the exhibit will be determined.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

- 7. Juried Art Show:** Commissioners Vetter and Brunelle reported on the outcome of their planning discussion:
- A slightly larger dimension might encourage more sculptural entries, such as 12"12"x12"
  - A theme is a good idea, but this time use a broader concept, such as "peace" or "growth".
  - Suggested Juror: Chris Daubert
- Commissioners discussed these suggestions, and by consensus agreed to the 12"x12"x12" size, proposed juror, and agreed to think further about the theme.

- 8. Election of 2006 Chair and Vice Chair:** By acclamation, commissioners Stone and Allen were nominated for a second term as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively. They accepted the nomination.

**Action: Commissioner Engoron moved, and Commissioner Tajeldin seconded the motion, to elect Commissioner Stone as Chair and Commissioner Allen as Vice Chair. Motion passed unanimously.**

- 9. Adjourn** The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Esther Polito  
Cultural Services Manager