

Civic Arts Commission Minutes
Community Chambers Conference Room
December 11, 2006

Commissioners Present: Joanna Stone (Chair), Roy Engoron, Casey Hutchins, Suzanna Duffy-Tajeldin, Robert Smith, Stacey Vetter
Commissioners Absent: James Allen (Vice Chair)
Staff Present: Esther Polito, Cultural Services Manager

Chair Stone called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. Approval of agenda.

Action: Commissioner Hutchins moved, and Commissioner Engoron seconded, approval of the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Swearing In Robert Smith was sworn in as a new Civic Arts Commissioner.

3. Approval of November 13, 2006 Minutes. Attendance record was corrected to show that all Commissioners were present.

Action: Commissioner Engoron moved, and Commissioner Hutchins seconded, approval of the November 13, 2006 minutes as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Communications. None.

5. Written Communications. Art announcements and monthly publications were circulated.

6. 2006 Art Contract Applications Commissioners conducted their initial review of the applications for the annual competition. Applications were rated Category 1 (highly appropriate for funding in whole or in part); Category 2 (appropriate for funding in whole or in part); or Category 3 (not eligible for funding, or a low priority within the application pool). Below is a summary of the review:

2007 Applicant and City App. No.	Project Title	Amount Requested	Discussion Summary
American Bach Soloists AC App 01-07	ABS 2007 Davis Concert Series	\$4,000	Category 2. Excellent contribution to Davis musical education and experiences, but not unique. Some assistance is warranted. Staff was asked to have applicant advise how additional earned income, if available, will be used, and what the methodology would be to select the services.
Design Museum,	Peace: 100 ideas	\$4,000	Cat. 2. Funding for city component is feasible, but activities

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Timothy McNeil AC App 02-07			on campus cannot be funded by city. Applicant was asked to itemize separate costs for each component prior to further consideration in January.
4 th Festival Latinoamericano de Davis AC App 03-07	4 th Festival Latinoamericano	\$4,033	Cat. 3. Budget was confusing and included stipends for work by non-professionals that could be done by volunteers. Duplicative of Colombian Serenade, with same personnel involved in both. Increased ticket sales should be sufficient to cover all costs.
Good Humus Farm/Davis Farmers Market Foundation AC App 04-07	The Preservation of our Local Harvest: A Partnership between Art and Agriculture	\$4,000	Cat. 1. Project has potential to develop into a significant local festival. Stipend amount for coordinator or other line items may need to be reduced, depending on availability of funds.
Jackman, Jean AC App 05-07	Davis Story Snapshot	\$3,031	Cat. 1. Good local program by experienced artist. Staff was asked to have applicant provide information on viability of web site. A good publicity plan is needed for the project to succeed.
NAMI – Yolo AC App 06-07	The 5 th Annual NAMI-Yolo Sunflower Art Competition	\$1,310	Cat. 1. Excellent history with applicant, well received local project.
Pence Gallery AC App 07-07	Artful Jesters exhibits and educational programs	\$4,000	Cat. 1 project. Thorough application, no questions. Commissioner Tajeldin recused herself for personal reasons. No specific discussion of line items.
Plank, Judith AC App 08-07	Davis Film Festival	\$1,500	Low Cat. 2. Good project, but poorly thought out budget. Further consideration will depend on applicant's ability to provide more budget details.
UEPAGE Foundation AC App 09-07	8 th Colombian Serenade	\$2,864	Cat. 2. Good project, but stipend requests are high and funding has been provided twice before. Staff was asked to confirm that applicant will still be able to hold event if city funding is limited to facility and insurance costs only.
Wren, Donna AC App 10-07	Music at Davis Community Meals	\$2,000	Cat. 1. Provides a unique and highly needed local service.
Yolo Basin Foundation AC App 11-07	Cal. Duck Days Festival Art Show	\$500	Cat. 1. Small funding request for highly respected outreach program for Yolo County teens.
Yolo Hospice and Laura Sandage AC App 12-07	Yolo Hospice CD	\$3,525	Cat. 1. Project will enhance hospice services while providing support to local musicians.

Staff was directed to advise the applicants of the decisions and request that all additional information be provided in time for the Commission/s January meeting.

7. City Council, Commissioner and Staff communications There were no communications.

8. Adjourn The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Esther Polito
Planner and Cultural Services Manager

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