

# Minneapolis Arts Commission Minutes

Regular Meeting

June 15, 2022 - 05:30 PM

Room 100, Public Service Building

**Members Present:** Joan Vorderbruggen (Chair), Lana Aylesworth, Mandi Bedbury, Mariana Mansfield, Ahava Silkey-Jones, David Smith, Jeffrey Swinton, and Lucy Thompson (Quorum - 6)

**Members Absent:** Crystal Brinkman, Jack Moebius

**Staff:** Mary, Altman, Tina Beech, Talia Moorman

## Call To Order

1. Roll Call.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Acceptance of minutes  
[May 18, 2022 Minneapolis Arts Commission](#)  
*Motion made by Commissioner Thompson to adopt the agenda and accept the May 18, 2022, minutes, seconded by Commissioner Mansfield. All in Favor, No Nays, No Abstentions.*

## Announcements

4. Introductions: Commissioners, Staff, Guest
5. Social Hour Invitation

## Discussion

6. Creative Response Artists Update: Meena Mangalvedhekar  
[CRF Artists 2022](#)  
The Creative Response grant is for artist working in a team of two more. There were 12 artist teams selected by a panel. The criteria for the selection of the teams is how the concept will provide healing through arts. Each artist team is required to spend 10% of their funding on artist healing. Funding is provided in two categories, general funding, and Cultural District funding. There are seven cultural districts. Four projects are in the East CD, one project on 38<sup>th</sup> and Chicago, one project in Cedar, two projects in the West Broadway CD, one project in the Lowry CD, one in the Franklin CD and three projects were selected using general funds. The projects will begin this summer.
7. Action Learning Team Updates (ALT):  
  
Public Art Advisory Committee:  
East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association Storm Drain Mural: Talia Moorman

*Request Action: Approve, provided it meets Public Works other requirements.*

[EHFNAStormDrainMural](#)

Motion made by Commissioner Thompson to approve the EHFNA storm drain mural provided it meets Public Works other requirements, seconded by Commissioner Aylesworth. All in Favor, No Nays, No Abstentions.

Artworks with Complex Issues: Talia Moorman

**Touchstone Plaza:** The sidewalk stamps will be removed, and the sidewalk will be reconfigured. The light fixtures will be replaced with under bridge lighting, remove coverup paint and repaint to original standards. A new artwork has been commissioned and \$450,000 has been allocated for a new mural painting.

**Crossroads:** The artwork is 30 years old and located at Phillips Plaza. In the short term they will do some treatments to the archway and paint the benches. There is money allocated in the annual maintenance to do the repairs and hire an engagement consultant. They would like to hire an engagement consultant for the community to determine a long-term solution.

**The Field: Drinking Fountain:** Located downtown on 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave & 9<sup>th</sup> St. Currently the fountain is not connected to water. The church is undergoing a major renovation plan. The short-term plan is not to treat the fountain. The long-term plan is to look at relocating the fountain to Nicollet Mall and do a full conservation restoration.

Update on Water Works Public Art: Mary Altman:

8. Policy and Advocacy: Commissioners were thanked for submitting notes from the meetings with the CM's. There was only 1 CM that didn't meet with Commissioners. No updates on the Director position. The new department will be in a new division under the mayor's office.
9. Access and Engagement: The July MAC meeting will be held at Soovac Visual Art Center.
10. Executive Committee: The ALT's will submit work plan revisions to Commissioner Vorderbruggen by noon on Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.
11. 2022 ALT Work Plan: 15 mins in groups, 15 mins as full Commission, 5 mins action: We didn't have enough time for this activity. Each ALT will submit changes to Commissioner Vorderbruggen by July 8<sup>th</sup>.
12. New Commissioner Update: The new and reappointed Commissioners were approved by BIHZ to move forward. Final approval by City Council will be on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business**

13. New Business: None

### **Adjournment**

**Next Minneapolis Arts Commission meeting:** Jul 20, 2022

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