

# Minneapolis Arts Commission Minutes

Regular Meeting

July 20, 2022 - 05:30 PM

Soo Vac Visual Arts Center

**Members:** Joan Vorderbruggen (Chair), Scott Artley, Lana Aylesworth, Mandi Bedbury, Mariana Mansfield, Jack Moebius, Samantha Sencer-Mura, Ahava Silkey-Jones, David Smith, Jeffrey Swinton, and Lucy Thompson (Quorum - 7)

Absent: Crystal Brinkman

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

## Call To Order

1. Roll Call.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Acceptance of minutes

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Approved by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Aylesworth, 10 in Favor, 1 Abstention, No Nays

## Announcements

4. Introductions:  
Commissioners, Staff, Guest

## Discussion

5. Soo Visual Arts Center: Displaying a diverse cross section of over 2800 under-represented artists since opening in June 2001, with approximately 10,000 visitors a year. SooVAC exhibits an average of 150 artists a year. They offer FREE year-round exhibition and community programming coupled with educational support, artist talks, workshops, events, printed publications, and online programming.
6. Action Learning Team Updates (ALT)  
**Public Art Advisory Panel:**
  1. Water Works Update: A final statement was issued by the City about the complaint the City received regarding Water Works project. The artist selected for the project and the artist has requested to end the contract.
  2. Lynlake Street Art Festival Update: July 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> was the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Street Art Festival. Reggie LeFlore and Derek Smith were selected to paint two murals located on Bryant Ave Bridge & Midtown Greenway. Over 40 Graffiti and Mural artists painted 28 new street art murals throughout the neighborhood. A map of the murals can be found at <https://www.lynlakestreetart.com/2022-artists-wall>

3. Wakpada Public Art Permit: Talia Moorman

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

Motion made to approve by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Moebius. 10 in Favor, 1 Abstention, No Nays

**Policy and Advocacy:** The new Director of Arts and Cultural Affairs position has been posted.

**Access and Engagement:** Our ALT is planning to host MAC meetings every other month at artist locations. We are working on updating the onboarding process and materials for new Commissioners.

**Executive Committee:** We are working to get the Work Plan finalized to include revisions so that MAC can select some work goals to complete.

**2022 Work Plan Revisions Overview:**

Recommendation: Motion to approve revised 2022 MAC Work Plan

Motion made to approve revised 2022 MAC Work Plan by Commissioner Aylesworth, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. 10 in Favor, 1 Abstention, No Nays

7. REIA Discussion: Fatimat Moore attended the Executive Committee meeting and suggested MAC invite the Race and Equity Director, Tyeastia Green.

**New Business**

8. New Business: None

**Adjournment**

**Next Minneapolis Arts Commission meeting:** Aug 17, 2022

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