

Committee for Art and Culture

March 13, 2024 Notes

Present: Peggy Saporito, Molly Vaughan, Jeremy Russell, Sam Brown, Paige Griffin, Kelly Wyatt

Not Present: Ginny Flowers, Kerry Oaksmith Sanders

Town Hall Art Wall Reference Document/Brochure

Peggie Saporito and staff discussed creating a reference document or brochure for the art wall in the lobby, using sheets from the Master Art Book. This folder would showcase the art currently displayed in the lobby and could be rotated as the art changes. Peggy will take this task on.

Art Mast Updates

- Kate Lawrence's Art Mast will be placed at the Epstein Street bathhouse, currently under construction.
- Jackie Koenig is working on a surfers-themed Art Mast for the Bainbridge Street beach access.
- Collaboration with Kelly Grider on an creating an art panel of the painting for Ravann's wall at Dowdy Park. There are no plans to replace the current peek-a-boo wall artwork, however the art mast would be located within Dowdy Park as well.

Winter Markets

The Winter Markets have been very successful, with all food vendors well received. The market on April 13th will feature 12 vendors. Molly suggested exploring different methods to account for attendance at markets, such as using a clicker to count visitors.

Board of Commissioners Meeting – Update on Committee for Art and Culture

The committee commended Paige for her excellent presentation at the Board of Commissioners meeting.

Movie Dates

The committee discussed hosting movie nights on Fridays in May and June, with potential dates being May 3rd or 10th and June 7th. The fee for licensure for five movies is \$1,500. The committee discussed the need to meet licensure rules even if the event is not profit-making.

2024 Summer Concert Series

The series will consist of 10 weeks with 10 concerts, featuring four local and six out-of-town acts. The largest musical act will be Will Overman. A poster will be created to promote the series in April/May timeframe and distributed throughout the community and digitally.

Family Fun Nights

Scheduled for Tuesdays from 4pm to 7pm, with two nights in July and one in August. Events include storytellers from Washington DC on July 2nd, the Corolla Wild Horse Fund bringing RipTide on July 16th and showing a documentary, and a back-to-school night with crafts and snacks.

Summer Markets and Non-Profits

The committee discussed the increased number of non-profits participating in the markets and the need for a management plan. They considered allocating one spot per non-profit, with a first-come, first-served policy.

Dowdy Park Farmers Market

The returning vendors have been vetted and chosen, with approximately ten vacant spots available. The committee discussed various approaches to selecting new vendors, including an application fee to weed out less serious applicants. No application fee could not be applied this season but will explore for the future. Communications will go out via social media and the selections will be made at the next Art and Culture Committee meeting on April 10th.

Crosswalk Project

Molly Vaughan has reached out to the Manteo AP Art Teacher, who is excited about the project and sees it as an opportunity for her students to grow and participate in a wonderful opportunity while also obtaining community service hours.

Seasonal Help and Volunteers

The committee discussed the need for seasonal help and volunteers, with plans to pursue an intern through the hospitality program. Mary Kelly will return to assist as a volunteer and the staff has requested seasonal help for the coming season in the 24/25 Budget.

Artrageous

Peggy shared her craft idea for the Artrageous event, everyone loved it, should be easy and fun for the kids attending the event.

Next Meeting: April 10, 2024

The meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.