



Agenda Report

Arts Commission

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Meeting Date: 5/4/2023

TITLE: ARTS AND CULTURE STAFF REPORT
DEPARTMENT: PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
PRESENTED BY: LAURETTE GARNER, ARTS SPECIALIST
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UPDATES:

❖ Exhibition Spaces

• The Exhibition

Alan Mayeda, a long-time member of the Costa Mesa Senior Center, will be displaying celestial charts that he created to showcase a blend of art and science. The charts are a very small sample of narratives from Alan's book, *Ten Astrological Features of Fame and Fortune - An Astrologer Look into the Celestial DNA of Celebrities*. Alan's exhibition is titled: Celestial Markers of Fame and Fortune. The celestial/natal charts of individuals who are or were highly successful in their field will be on display from May 5- August 30, 2023. The reception will be May 8, 2023 from 12pm-1:30pm at the Costa Mesa Senior Center.

• Youth Art Wall

Currently showcasing artwork from Corona Del Mar Middle School.

(Arts & Culture Master Plan: Goal 4. Action 2.3)

❖ Free Park Performances

- Reminder that the first Free Park Performance with Symphony on the Go! will take place on May 27th at the Costa Mesa Senior Center from 1pm-1:50pm. The next one will be June 18th at the Balearic Community Center from 7pm-7:50pm.
- Currently working on scheduling more events for the next fiscal year.

(ACMP: Goal 1. Action 1.2.4)

❖ Utility Box Art Program

- New utility art boxes:

Artwork By:	Box #	Location
Melody Avena	29	Wilson St. & Harbor Blvd.
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Orange Coast College boxes are still pending a few edits.

(ACMP: Goal 2. Action 2.1 to 2.6)

❖ **Additional Box Art**

Artwork By:	Box #	Location
Lauren Kilb & Natasha Meyer	126	Jack Hammett Sports Complex

Box 126 at the Jack Hammett Sports Complex was a City Manager's office project that was commissioned last year and was completed this month.

❖ **Professional Development: Arts and Culture Summit**

- Attended the first Arts & Culture Summit in Sacramento on April 17-18, 2023. The first day included panel discussions comprised of arts organizations and artists from all over California, and a 2-hour workshop on Arts Advocacy. The second day was an Art Rally organized by Californians for the Arts at the state capitol that included speakers from the state senate and other arts professionals.