



City of Costa Mesa

Agenda Report

77 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

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Meeting Date: 2/2/2023

TITLE:

ARTS AND CULTURE STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

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UPDATES:

Art Crawl Experience

The Art Crawl event is scheduled for March 11, 2023. Participating local artists and organizations are: Kate Ryan, Gabrielle McLean and the Orange County Museum of Art. The event will take place in the afternoon and run through the evening with OCMA as the last stop. The event will accommodate 25 adult participants and there will be a registration process. More details to come.

(Arts & Culture Master Plan: Goal 1. Action 2.1)

Arts Grants

Pending review by the Arts Commission.

(ACMP: Goal 1. Action 2.1)

ARTventure

Staff is tentatively planning for ARTventure 2023 to be hosted at the Norma Hertzog Community City and Lions Park Lawn for evening Gala and community arts event. The event will plan for the Juried Art Show to be open and available for viewing for a full week after the Gala event at the NHCC.

Exhibit Spaces

City Hall lobby renovation on hold. A new sign commissioned by a local artist is in the works for the Youth Art Gallery wall in the lobby space at City Hall.

The fifth floor exhibit space known as *Art on the Fifth* is currently being reevaluated to host permanent Costa Mesa inspired artwork to be replaced as needed or annually. Artwork is being commissioned by four local artists to begin a new Civic Art Collection for the City of Costa Mesa that can monetarily support working artists annually.

The Exhibit space at the Senior Center has a new exhibit titled: *Gems*. Marion Vail is the artist on exhibit until April 30, 2023. She will also be hosting a workshop at the Senior Center on February 16, 2023.

In early stages of preparing a match program/application to match artists to local businesses that would like to exhibit art.

(ACMP: 4.2.3)

Free Park Performances

Site visit for Pacific Symphony's Symphony on the Go! Program has been completed. The City of Costa Mesa will be hosting two performances in May and June at the Senior Center Parking Lot and the Balearic Community Center.

(ACMP: 1.2.4)

Public Art & Utility Box Art Program

- Art in Public Places (public art policy) will be presented to the Arts Commission tentatively April.
- Revisions to the current Utility Box Art Program Handbook will be presented tentatively in the March Arts Commission.
- Currently in the process of moving donated Public Art piece, titled: *The Artist's Vision* by artist James McDemas, from the front of City Hall to a safer location on one of the back lawn areas with the addition of a concrete pad or some kind of reinforcement for the piece. The sculpture was donated by his mother, Carolyn McDemas.
 - More information: <https://www.latimes.com/socal/daily-pilot/news/tn-james-mcdemas-an-artist-s-vision-is-dedicated-in-ceremony-20180302-photogallery.html>

(ACMP: Goal 2.1 through 2.6)