

Capitol Art Exhibit Advisory Committee (CAEAC): May 20 Mtg. [VIRTUAL]

Monday, May 20, 2024

11am - 1pm

VIRTUAL Meeting Access

- Committee member access: via direct Zoom link (emailed)
 - Public access: [Zoom link](#)
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AGENDA

- Call to Order (Christina Woods, Convener)
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes (Feb. 26 mtg.)
- Welcome & Updates
 - Introduction of new committee members
 - *Willmar: What Comes to Your Mind?!* (John Salgado Maldonado) Opening Reception
 - Legislative Reference Library satellite
- CAEAC Exhibit line-up; proposed adjustment
- Funding Subcommittee
 - Report on roles/responsibilities (MNHS/Admin)
 - Report on funding resources for artists (Subcommittee)
- Call for Artists process
 - Review past process
 - Discuss goals for future process
- Closing notes / next steps
 - Next CAEAC meetings:
 - Monday, Aug. 19, 2024 - 11am-1pm
 - Monday, Nov. 18, 2024 - 11am-1pm
 - Monday, Feb. 24, 2025 - 11am-1pm
 - Monday, May 19, 2025 - 11am-1pm
 - Capitol Preservation Commission: TBD Dec. 2024
- Adjourn

Attachments:

- DRAFT_2024_05_20_CAEAC_AGENDA
- DRAFT_2024_02_26_CAEAC_MINUTES
- 2024_04_29_CAEAC_Subcommittee_MINUTES
- CAEAC Roles and Responsibilities_DRAFT

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[Meeting was held virtually]

Present (Voting Members): Christina Woods (Convener), Bryan Thao Worra, Daniel Wolter, Cheyanne St. John, Jimmy Longoria, Gita Ghei, Mara Hanel, Beau Bakken (Not present: Matt Dean, Christina Chang, Lyndon Carlson)

Present (Non-Voting Members): Brenda Raney, Sue Gens, Jessi Held (Not present: Erik Dahl)

Other attendees: Brian Pease (MNHS), Spencer Wigmore (MNHS), Cecily Marcus (MNHS), David Kelliher (MNHS), Gretchen Funk (MNHS), Wayne Waslaski (Dept. of Admin.), Lindsey Dyer (MNHS)

MINUTES

- Call to Order (Christina Woods, Convener)
 - *Convener Christina Woods called the meeting to order at 11:05am*
- Approval Agenda
 - *Thao Worra moved to approve the 5/20/24 CAEAC agenda; Hanel seconded*
 - *Motion passed*
- Approval of Minutes (Feb. 26 mtg.)
 - *Wolter moved to approve the Feb. 26 CAEAC Mtg. minutes; Thao Worra seconded*
 - *Motion passed by roll call*
- Welcome & Updates
 - Introduction of new committee members
 - *Mara Hanel: Executive Director, Northwest Minnesota Arts Council*
 - *Beau Bakken: Artist from Northwest MN*
 - *Welcome to new MNHS support - Gretchen Funk*
 - *Welcome Wayne Waslaski (Asst. Commissioner, Dept of Administration)*
 - *Willmar: What Comes to Your Mind?! (John Salgado Maldonado) Opening Reception*
 - *MNHS provided an update on the new Willmar exhibit; on display May 5, 2024 - October 31, 2024*
 - Legislative Reference Library (LRL) satellite
 - *LRL and Public Gallery are sharing space, temporary arrangement, not ideal*
 - *Department of Administration has management over the gallery space; additional changes may come with transitions, including Governor elections*

- *The State Office Building is undergoing major renovations and expansion; most functions are operating in the Centennial Building, LRL needed a more accessible (and public) presence*
 - *Committee expressed concern over impacts to visitor and artist experience in the shared space, along with lack of artist input in the original plans for the gallery space*
- CAEAC Exhibit line-up; proposed adjustment
 - *MNHS shared a spreadsheet with updates to the exhibit schedule*
 - *Updated schedule will alleviate timeline in order to make space for a potential temporary office space in the gallery due to 2026 elections*
- Funding Subcommittee
 - Report on roles/responsibilities (MNHS/Admin)
 - *MNHS shared a spreadsheet that outlined a financial rubric for how the CAEAC can solicit (for), accept, and manage funding; Admin. supported*
 - *The Capitol Preservation Commission (CPC) (to which the CAEAC recommends exhibit proposals) will meet in December; a deadline goal for decisions and potential grant funding*
 - Report on funding resources for artists (Subcommittee)
 - *Ghei, Longoria, Held, and Dyer participated in the funding subcommittee; subcommittee held one meeting on April 29, 2024 (minutes were shared with the CAEAC)*
 - *Ghei shared that she started a document that gave examples of simple support links for artists; Longoria suggested that we table this conversation until the next meeting*
 - *Committee expressed concern over increase in costs and accessibility for artists that live outside of the metro area; a burden that becomes a barrier, expressed a need for funding that tied to regional opportunities*
 - *Committee will inform on a sample needs budget for artists that live both within the metro, and in greater MN to identify equitable needs*
- Call for Artists process
 - Review past process
 - *Woods provided an overview of the past process; there was one call for art and it was a pilot phase with one specific scope of art*
 - *MNHS shared a resource folder that included Capitol map and floor plans for all spaces mentioned in the CAEAC statute*
 - *Committee expressed an interest in touring the spaces in the Capitol to better understand accessibility and function of each unique opportunity for art*
 - Discuss goals for future process
 - *Committee discussed the development of a new selection rubric*
 - *There was an interest in understanding costs and marketing for existing shows; MNHS will prepare an overview for the next CAEAC meeting*
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 - *Hanel moved to adjourn; Woods adjourned the meeting at 1:02pm*

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