

Cultural Council Meeting Minutes 4.15.09

Present: GG Getz, Kathy Feek, Jeff Parks, Becca Singer, Cathy Heffron, Amy Whittenburg, Tom Gant,

Absent: Margit Moore, Bob Larson, Leah Kliger,

Guests: Nancy and Holden from Seattle International Film Festival

Seattle International Film Festival

SIFF is coming to KPC this summer for one week, and longer planned in 2010. They are looking for a park to present an outdoor movie on June 6th, as KPC has a show already planned that night. Would like assistance from KCC with costs/expenses in 2009 if possible and looking forward to 2010. KCC gave ideas for spreading the word about the event and finding volunteers.

Officer Elections and Recruitment

Nominations received for chair and vice-chair position. Leah voted in as Chair, and Amy as Vice Chair. Council will be interviewing applicants for 2 open positions on May 5th. The Council can determine at that point whether they would like to add additional members.

Currently Kirkland Video

Council viewed the Currently Kirkland episode featuring the Kirkland Artist Studio Tour event on Mother's Day. This is available on the Kirkland cable channel and on the City's website.

Art in Private Development

Subcommittee met with Bank of America to discuss the artwork they are considering for their plaza. Reviewed proposals of 3 different artists, and gave feedback that they preferred the piece by John Hoge. The Bank of America may not have the budget to be able to go forward with that proposal, so they are looking at additional possibilities and will reconvene the subcommittee to review them.

Strategic Plan

Council reviewed the executive summary of the draft strategic plan. The full report will be sent out electronically and council is encouraged to review it and comment to the group by e-mail. Cultural Council may want to have a longer meeting in June to discuss further the strategic plan.

% for Art

Juanita Beach Artist made a site visit and met with the site developer to discuss the redevelopment and possible areas for art. He will develop a proposal and the council will review that when received.

Community Collaboration

Collaboration subcommittee discussed options for collaboration event topics. They have decided to have the event in the Fall to have enough time to create an electronic mailing list first. The committee would like to be able to personally approach arts organizations to discuss the value of the collaboration and encourage them to join the listserv.

LAA Meeting

The next topic is community collaboration, so any members of the collaboration subcommittee are encouraged to come. Leah discussed the City of Issaquah's admissions tax. Kirkland has a similar tax that goes to the general fund.

Uncorked Sponsorship

Council discussed what they could do with the \$1875 that remains from the 4Culture grant money. Council would like to retain their City funds for implementation of the strategic plan, but would consider funding the SIFF with a portion of the funds that remain. The Council may partner with 4Culture to sponsor performance art at Uncorked. Council deferred decision to sponsor Uncorked, is interested in funding SIFF at possibly a \$500 level.