



What is the Kirkland Cultural Art Commission?

The Kirkland Cultural Arts Commission (KCAC) is a volunteer organization that works to help arts, culture, and heritage grow and thrive in the City of Kirkland. Along with supporting art and cultural initiatives throughout the year, the Cultural Arts Commission advises the City Council on art acquisition and promotes strategic arts planning in Kirkland.

Did you know?

The City of Kirkland has a 1% of the Arts requirement for many City-funded improvement projects over \$500,000. The KCAC works with Kirkland city planners, City Council, artists and other stakeholders to utilize this 1% of the project cost to procure and develop art for public display and enjoyment.

The Commission has consulted on many public art projects including works at Bank of America, Totem Lake Freeway Station, Transit Center Sculpture, King County Pump Station, Kirkland Justice Center, and the Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Gallery.

Having initiated an “Art in Private Development” program to encourage developers to integrate art into their projects, the Cultural Arts Commission has partnered with several private developers to expand public art offerings. The Commission also has worked with several neighborhood associations on public art procurement projects.



A major goal of the Commission is to help local art and culture thrive in Kirkland. With 4Culture King County grant support, the KCAC provides funding to many local organizations and events including:

- ◆ Kirkland Arts Center and Kirkland Artist Studio Tour (KAST)
- ◆ Kirkland Performance Center
- ◆ Summer Concert Series
- ◆ Kirkland Uncorked
- ◆ Seattle International Film Festival in Kirkland
- ◆ 17th Annual American Impressionist Society's Juried Exhibition at Howard/Mandville
- ◆ Kirkland Summerfest, and Young Artist Exhibit
- ◆ Walking Tour of Kirkland Public Art
- ◆ Kirkland Winterfest
- ◆ Studio East
- ◆ Kirkland Teen Union Building (KTUB)
- ◆ Teen Tix

Commissioners also regularly advise and volunteer for local arts, organizations, and events.

KCAC's accomplishments in 2015 - 2016 include:

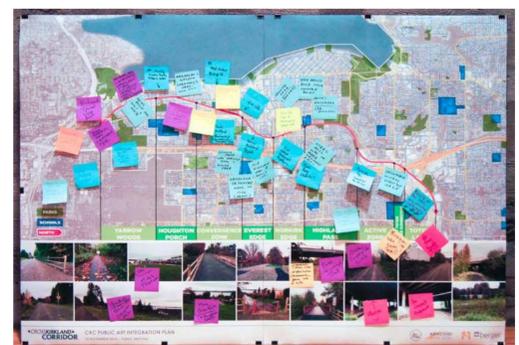
- ◆ Sponsored Young Artist's Exhibition, and hosted art activities at KCAC booth
- ◆ Held a Kalakala anniversary party and support efforts to incorporate salvaged Kalakala pieces into a public art installation
- ◆ Participated in the art selection processes for City Hall renovation incorporating an Artist in Residence Program
- ◆ Celebrated the opening of *Crane in its Vigilance* by Matt Babcock, at the Kirkland Justice Center
- ◆ Celebrated the opening of the Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Gallery
- ◆ Presented the Merrily Dicks Community Arts and Culture Award at the Kirkland Chamber of Commerce Award Luncheon

What's up next?

Cross Kirkland Corridor (CKC) The KCAC is an advocate for art on the CKC and received funding from City Council to develop an art plan to provide strategies for art activation on the corridor. CKAC worked with Berger Partnership, neighborhood groups, City Council and other stakeholders, to develop an Integrated Art Plan.

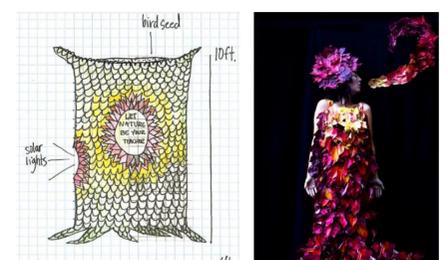
On July 19th the draft Art Integration Plan was presented to City Council. A Public Meeting to further discuss the draft plan is scheduled for Tuesday, August 30, 2016 from 6–7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall (123 5th Ave, Kirkland, WA 98033). See the Art Integration Plan and register for the meeting online at:

www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/Boards_and_Commissions/Cultural_Arts_Commission.htm



Map of ideas for the Cross Kirkland Corridor

Artist in Residence on the CKC. Coming this fall, (Sept 10 - Oct 8, 2016) artist Terra Holcomb brings her work to the Kirkland community thanks to the KCAC. With the help of the community to gather black cottonwood leaves, Terra will create a unique temporary art piece for the CKC (concept sketch to right). Terra Holcomb is a Pacific Northwest environmental artist who generally uses photography to capture her ephemeral creations made from natural materials. *Blowing the Wind* is a sample of her work.



Terra Holcomb, CKC concept sketch

Terra Holcomb, *Blowing the Wind*

Art Cart Coming Soon! the KCAC is currently developing a mobile art cart that will include art supplies for children and families to use at outdoor events. All materials are free to the public.