

**CITY OF COSTA MESA  
CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, February 12, 2009 at 6:45 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Present:** Nancy Clark, Dennis Crane, Kathleen Eric, Frank Gutierrez, Caryn Kallal, Monet Quick, (alternates) Tony Manrique, Irene Engard, Monica Morita, Beverly Walker

**Absent:** Ryan Baron, Peter Becker, Chris Bunyan, Louisa Arnold, Aida Shabani

**Staff Present:** Jana Ransom, Lisa McPherson

**Council Member present:** Katrina Foley

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of January 8, 2009 approved as amended. Section 5-D – 501c corrected to 501(c) 3 by Nancy, second by Tony. Unanimously approved

**3. AGENDA ADDITIONS**

None

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Todd Mihlbauer presented his idea of creating/developing a non-profit community art co-op, located at Triangle Square in the old Tower Records building. The Committee was able to offer many helpful suggestions (i.e. develop a business plan, check other venues that have created this, check Arts Orange County, KEOC, artsOC.org).

Barbara Steck attended the meeting and talked with Committee members about joining the Cultural Arts Committee.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Artist Showcase XI, March 14, 2009, 6-10 p.m. Gods & Heros Salon

1. Rusty Sherrill “Little Robot Girl” postcard proof circulated among the committee. Nancy moved for approval of the card and Caryn second. Unanimously approved
2. Lisa reported that 35 artists submitted pieces and 13 out of the 35 were new artists. Monet reported that Native Foods had agreed to cater the event. Native Foods is providing eco friendly cups and plates. Monet also reported on her efforts to have Hi Time Liquor donate wine. Discussion followed regarding what Hi Time could be offered in exchange. Conclusion – allow Hi Time to distribute flyers and business cards. Monet was also successful in negotiating 3 days of

Full page Ads in the Daily Pilot for \$1000. Monet was acknowledged for all her hard work. Clean up and security by Nancy's guys was discussed. Monet proposed adding dancers/performers to the Showcase for an extra \$500. Motion made by Irene, second by Nancy. Unanimously approved

3. Mark Soden reported on the Headphone festival. He has requested a Headphone Festival 2'x3' sign. He described the location in the Salon. He will insure that the internet at the venue will support the festival. Several artists were passed on to Mark for inclusion in the festival.
4. Review of duties for the Artist Showcase to confirm who will do what. Parking concerns were discussed – possibly exchanging Shark Club parking for after show invites. Lisa will ask CMTV to do a cover story. Jana will contact Alan Blank at the Daily Pilot for a cover story. Council Member Foley passed on a contact for the Current. Monet will forward the press release. It was suggested that we hold our next committee meeting at Gods and Heros Salon.

B. Artist Website Directory  
Tabled

C. Sponsorship Levels  
Tabled

D. TeWinkle Park Athletic Complex Sculpture  
Monica reported on the Community Foundation meeting. The committee will review the RFP and will vote next month if they will be our fiscal receiver of any Grants for the project (approved in 2005). Council Member Foley offered to help expedite the process.

E. Mesa Water Art Project  
Jana reported that the water district must accept full responsibility for the placement and maintenance of the sculpture. The Cultural Arts Committee will serve as a middle man – to find and select the artists. The sub committee will review the RFP. It needs to be determined if it is legal for the Committee to establish a partnership with the Water District.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Summer Art Walk

Scheduled for Saturday, June 13. This will be a “Day of Art” in Costa Mesa. Committee discussed on sponsoring/adverting a map of all galleries participating. Time will be decided by the galleries. Frank/Kathleen and Monet will contact local galleries and business to see if they are interested in participating. The Committee discussed using the Senior Center parking lot as their gallery.

**7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Monet – Earth Day at the lab April 14 including parade of eco friendly vehicles.

Donate your old VHS tapes and they will be turned into something creative.

Dennis – Thomas Tom reception March 14 – 6-8pm Showcase Gallery

Irene – New show at Wyndham Gallery – March 20 reception

Whittier Law School Library (Costa Mesa) Reception Feb 28 5:30 – 8:30 pm

Photographs of African Adventure

**8. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

None

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Irene Engard