

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE**

Minutes for Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 6:45 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** at 6:52 p.m. by Dennis Crane (Chair)
Members Present: Louisa Arnold, Peter Becker, Dennis Crane, Monet Quick, Monica Morita, and Kathleen Eric
Members Absent: Ryan Baron, Chris Bunyan, Diane Doyle, Caryn Kallal, Anthony Manrique, Irene Engard, Nancy Clark and Frank Gutierrez
Staff Present: Jana Ransom
Councilmember Present: None

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion for approval of November 13 minutes by Peter, second by Louisa; unanimously approved

3. **AGENDA ADDITIONS**
None

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Artist Showcase XI, March 14, Time TBA (6-10pm?) (Feature Artist Rusty Sherrill)
 1. Venue – Gods and Heroes Salon is first choice – Monet checking on it – located behind the Camp. Monet will let Lisa know by next Wednesday (12/17/08) if available. If not, we’ll go back to the Artery. Motion by Peter, second by Louisa, carried unanimously.
 2. Voted on the following preliminary budget:
 - \$750 for alcoholic beverages
 - \$750 entertainment
 - \$750 for food
 - \$1,350 for advertising
 - \$100 for miscellaneous expenses
 - \$150 for tripod work lights and extension cordsMotion by Monica, second by Louisa, carried unanimously.
 3. Lisa will let the committee know in January if the new Mayor (Mansoor) will continue the program.

 - B. Artists Website Directory
 1. No real action on this item, although Lisa is asked to call Aida and Monet to discuss web design possibilities.

 - C. Sponsorship levels
 1. No update.

D. TeWinkle Sculpture – Request for Proposals to be issued

1. Monica will be speaking to the CM Community Foundation about being fiscal receiver partner as a 501c3 non-profit.

E. Mesa Water Art Project

1. Jana has not heard back from City Attorney on the “risk” to City and Committee if the oversee the project.
2. Dennis and Monica are still revising the RFP.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Headphone Placard Festival – Mark Soden gave the committee a presentation about how the headphone festival could be integrated into an Artist Showcase. In a nutshell, the Committee would register the date for the “placard” on the date of the Showcase, and would set up time slots (generally 30 minutes each). The committee could reserve some time slots for musicians playing – or not, and just leave it open. Soden would then set up a listening area, needing only a DSL connection, a laptop (he would provide), headphone splitters and listening area and people would be able to experience the placard during the Showcase. The placard could be advertised and local artists and individuals encouraged to take part both as “performers” and as listeners from their own computers. Committee members were asked to check out the website and we’d discuss more at future meetings.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Artery Re: Gifted Saturday, 12/13 – 1/4, Opening 12/13, 7-10p
- B. Phil Roberts Surf Art Show, Dec. 12 and 13, 6-10 pm

8. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

- A. Snow Hill Event 12/13
- B. City Budget will be tight next year. Asked Committee to think about using “signs of support” \$ as a dollar for dollar match for general fund support.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Dennis at 8:15 p.m.