

Arlington Cultural Council Minutes  
Monday, January 12, 2015  
Arlington Senior Center Art Room, 7:30pm

Present: Eliza Burden, Karin Blum, Suzi Lubar, Scott Samenfeld Jeff Boudreau, Joe Burns  
EliSabeth Taylor, Wendy Glass

Visitor: Jeff Timperi

Called to Order at 7:33pm

### **ITEM 1 Approval of December Minutes**

The minutes were unanimously approved without revision.

### **ITEM 2 RFPs and Outstanding 2014 Grant Updates**

- 2014-01 Stop Requested – event occurred, waiting for RFP
- 2014-09 – Eulipia Jazz - extension approved, concert on January 22, 2015
- 2014-10 – TED-X letter of withdrawal arrived, vote to rescind funds passed unanimously
- 2014-19 – Arlington Writes – project is completed, but RFP not yet submitted

### **ITEM 3 Grant Cycle**

Approval letters have been mailed. Press releases were sent to the 26 contacts from the Media Spreadsheet.

Liaisons and liaison letters should be sent this week. The letter will request an image representing their project to be submitted by Feb. 1, 2015. Karin will update the letter for everyone to send.

### **Liaison Assignments**

<b>Grant Number</b>	<b>Grant Recipient</b>	<b>Liaison</b>
<b>05</b>	<b>Arlington Art Hunt</b> (Karen Dillon) – highlights Arlington’s landscape, architecture and artistic elements. <b>\$600</b>	<b>Maggie</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>“Art. Food. Community.”</b> (Eileen de Rosas and Melody Wolfe Thomas, Ceramic artists). <b>\$1,100</b>	<b>Karin</b>
<b>06</b>	<b>A-Town Teen Video Contest.</b> <b>\$250</b>	<b>Suzi</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Belmont World Film’s 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Festival</b> – For children under ten at the Regent Theatre. <b>\$300</b>	<b>Wendy</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>“A Chance to Dress”</b> (Alice Bouvrie) – Film about Dr. John Southard, MIT professor and geologist. <b>\$600</b>	<b>Suzi</b>
<b>03</b>	<b>Creek River String Band</b> – Performances for Old Schwamb Mill & Spy Pond Environmental Task Group. <b>\$600</b>	<b>Joe</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Dallin Art Museum-Arlington Public School Days.</b> <b>\$750</b>	<b>EliSabeth</b>

<b>08</b>	<b>“Elemental – Art Rocks Spy Pond Park”</b> (Arlington Public Art) – temporary public art. <b>\$1,000</b>	<b>Joe</b>
<b>04</b>	<b>Family Dance at Robbins Farm</b> (Folk Arts Center of New England) – educator Marcie Van Cleave. <b>\$550</b>	<b>Jeff B.</b>
<b>02</b>	<b>“I am Arlington”</b> (Nilou Moochhala) – community and public art project. <b>\$700</b>	<b>Maggie</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Images of Arlington: #myArlington</b> (Arlington Center for the Arts) – community photography. <b>\$300</b>	<b>Eliza</b>
<b>01</b>	<b>Legendary Locals of Arlington</b> (Barbara Goodman and Marjorie Howard) – a 128-page book. <b>\$800</b>	<b>Renee</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>The Marble Collection</b> – publication that cultivates creativity and excellence in the arts by teens. <b>\$200</b>	<b>Renee</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>“Meeting of Generations: Arlington Youth Perform Jazz for Seniors”</b> (Dan Fox) with Tom Ferrante. <b>\$600</b>	<b>Scott</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Philharmonic Society of Arlington Outdoor Summer Concert</b> – Classical music concert for all ages. <b>\$1,200</b>	<b>Karin</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Seniors to Kids and Back Again</b> (Joseph Porcino) – Three-part intergenerational workshop. <b>\$800</b>	<b>Jeff B.</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Sharing a New Song Chorus Concert</b> (SANS) – 90-voice chorus. <b>\$900</b>	<b>Scott</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>True Stories of Environmental Citizen Action</b> (True Story Theater) <b>\$800</b>	<b>Joe</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Two to Tango</b> – A one hour, two-person play in two acts. <b>\$450</b>	<b>EliSabeth</b>

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#### **ITEM 4 Grantee Reception Planning**

Selectman’s hearing room has been held for the event on Monday 4/13/15, 6-7:30pm. We hope there will be a Selectman’s meeting that night, but the schedule is not yet available. The liaison letter will mention the reception.

Renee has volunteered to work on the reception planning subcommittee. Others are needed to join her.

The committee will be responsible for food, invitations, and activities for the event.

Joe Burns, as corresponding secretary, will send invitations to VIPs.

Ideas for an invitation were discussed; Eliza will work with Maggie & Renee to come up with one.

Tasks for reception are:

- Plan entertainment
- Create, print and send invitations
- Publicity - press releases, post to FB and ACC web page, post flyers at local businesses
- Plan and solicit donations or purchase food and drinks

- Write welcome notes, create program

The budget for event will be discussed at the February meeting.

### **ITEM 5. Publicity**

EliSabeth sent press releases about grant awards and another about the Gold Star award from the MCC won by Luminarium. The press releases included quotes from Sean Garballey and Dan Dunn. Both were posted to Facebook and the blog.

Forms on the ACC website have been updated for use by this year's grant recipients.

This year's photos will be uploaded to dropbox. If space is an issue, they will be moved to Facebook by Jeff B. so that everyone will have access.

### **ITEM 6 New Business/Tabled issues.**

Jeff B suggests we should apply for municipal funding. Eliza feels this should be discussed with ACAC to coordinate requests. Scott agreed that having more people involved with a request will give it more weight. It would be good to look at what other towns have done about getting municipal funding.

There are many arts related organizations in town requesting funds (or could be). Coordinating with them would be good.

Scott discussed Boston's plan to create an art master plan. Suggested getting together with ACAC to discuss issues as part of our 3 year community input. Scott has volunteered to be liaison with ACAC.

Eliza spoke with Stephanie Marlin-Curiel (past chair, now with ACAC) about collaborating with ACAC for our community input gathering.

Jeff B. feels there is a minor error in the town website in relation to ACAC. The discussion was tabled; Jeff will bring relevant information to the February meeting.

### **ITEM 7 Roles and Recruitment**

Frank Tadley is resigning and will forward a formal letter of resignation to the council.

Jeff Timperi was approved to join the council by unanimous vote

The following slate of new officers was unanimously approved:

Co-chair: Eliza Burden

Co-chair: Karin Blum  
Treasurer: Maggie Husak  
Recording secretary: Suzi Lubar  
Corresponding secretary: Joe Burns

Suzi will send welcome letter to Jeff Timperi, new member letter to Selectman (to Fran Reidy)  
Karin will send an appeal for members to the Arlington List. Wendy suggested emailing the ACC email list as well.

February task (for corresponding secretary?) to review email list. Jeff B. suggested using mail chimp or some other mail list site to maintain the list. Such a tool would allow people to subscribe, unsubscribe at will. Joe will look into it.

Eliza has a table reserved at Robbins Library for the month of September so the council can promote our grant application deadline.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 15, 2015 - ACC annual report to MCC due - ***finished***  
January 2015 - ACC annual report to Town Meeting due.  
January 22, 2015 – EulipiaJazz performance “Cool Vibes to Warm the Soul” at Arl Center for the Arts.  
February 9, 2015 – Monthly meeting, Sr. Center Art Room  
March 9, 2015 - Monthly meeting, Sr. Center Art Room  
April 13 or 27, 2015 – ACC Grant Awards Reception at Town Hall