

**Arts & Culture Commission Advisory Board Minutes**  
**A Hybrid Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 8, 2025, 5:00p.m.**  
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**Present:**

Charity Hudnut, Arts & Culture Commission Chair  
Christine Linder, Arts & Culture Commission  
Julie Matthiessen, Arts & Culture Commission  
Suzanne Wells, Arts & Culture Commission

**Also In Attendance:**

Jody Carson, Historic Main Street

**Online via Zoom:**

Lauren Beeney, Arts & Culture Commission  
Lou Groner, City Council Liaison to Arts & Culture Commission

**West Linn City Staff Present:**

Cheryl Hill, Adult Services Librarian  
Kristen Christnacht, Library Assistant

**Absent:** Shatrine Krake (*excused*)

1. **Call to Order:** Charity Hudnut, Arts & Culture Commission Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.
2. **Public Comments:**
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Julie Matthiessen moved to approve; Christine Linder seconded. Approved November minutes (11/06/24).
4. **Charity Hudnut, Arts & Culture Commission Chair:**

**Bike kiosk update:** Charity and Shatrine presented the bike kiosk proposal to City Council on Monday, January 6 along with Jody and Doug. Council was impressed and all were in favor. On Friday, January 10 Jody has a meeting with the contractor and the artist, Travis Pond. Then the contractor will resubmit the bid. The exact timeline is not set in stone, but completion is tentatively scheduled for March.

**Recap holiday events:** Fun was had by all at the Adult Community Center holiday bazaar and the Willamette Holiday Market. The two events reach different demographics. The ACC event is easier to manage while the holiday market is more work and pretty close to Christmas. An idea for next year is to

be at the ACC both days of the bazaar and skip the market. Jody also suggested that if the commission decides to be at the market they could be moved to a different location that is easier to manage. There are some leftover craft supplies that can either be reused next Christmas or donated to the ACC, which now has a craft area.

**2025 event planning:** If a decision is made to return to the summer market, maybe pick one Wednesday a month to be there. There needs to be something interactive to draw people in. Another idea is to ditch the market and focus on going to the Music in the Parks and promote projects like the fall art show, the bike kiosk, etc. Jody suggested creating a bingo card / scavenger hunt for families to find all the art around the city. Christine suggested partnering with the schools on something. Kristen will check with Doug about the feasibility of that.

**2025 goal setting:** The next public art project could be at the library, Robinwood Station, or Old City Hall. Kristen will check with Doug to see if he can provide a list of capital project locations from recent years.

**Update from call with Clackamas County Arts Alliance:** At the December Zoom call with Clackamas County Arts Alliance Julie connected with Nicole Nathan (Executive Director of the Arts Council of Lake Oswego) and Diane Alves (Executive Director of the Clackamas County Arts Alliance). They talked about art related to the VISION43 project and came up with the name River Corridor Connecting Communities Through Art. It would tie together a series of permanent art installations from Lake Oswego through West Linn to Oregon City. Jody pointed out that all three cities are a state heritage area. Trimet and Clackamas County would also be invited to get involved. This is a long-term project, about 5-10 years.

**5. Board Comments:** None

**Adjourn:** Charity Hudnut adjourned at 5:47 pm.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025, in the Community Room at the library

**Respectfully submitted by:**  
**Cheryl Hill, Adult Services Librarian**  
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