

MEETING AGENDA



TUALATIN ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
June 18, 2019 - 6:30 PM

VAN RADEN CENTER
8509 SW Tualatin Rd

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 21, 2019

C. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Chair
2. Council Liaison
3. Staff
4. Public – Kris Balliet, Executive Director, Tualatin Riverkeepers

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Storm Drain Mural Artist Selection
2. Community Enhancement Award
 - Discussion
3. ¡Viva Tualatin! Update

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Tualatin Historical Society Arts Programming Report
2. Arts Grant Update

F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

G. ADJOURNMENT



City of Tualatin

Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee Regular Meeting Minutes May 21, 2019

PRESENT: Buck Braden, Dawn Upton, Janet Steiger Carr, Brett Hamilton, Mahathi Sridhar, Mason Hall, Councilor Bridget Brooks

ABSENT: Kathleen Silloway

STAFF: Julie Ludemann, Betsy Rodriguez-Ruef

PUBLIC: Arthur Breur

A. CALL TO ORDER

Committee chair, Buck Braden, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Brett Hamilton MOTIONED to approve the April 2019 minutes and Dawn Upton SECONDED. Minutes were APPROVED by vote (6-0-0).

C. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Chair

Buck Braden, Chair, announced the Coos Bay Maritime Exhibition will be open July 13-Sept. 28.

2. Council Liaison

Councilor Bridget Brooks announced the Memorial Day Celebration to be held May 27.

3. Staff

None

4. Public

Arthur Breur, Tualatin Valley Symphony announced that the Tualatin Overture will be performed on June 9th at Living Savior Church, with tickets available at tvsymphony.org.

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. ¡Viva Tualatin! Update by Betsy Rodriguez-Ruef

Staff, Betsy Rodriguez-Ruef updated the committee on the goals and planning update on the 2019 ¡Viva Tualatin! Event to be held in Tualatin Community Park on Saturday, September 14.

2. Community Enhancement Award

The committee voted to award the Community Enhancement Award to TriMet for the Coho Commute sculpture at the Mohawk Park & Ride. Staff will contact TriMet and invite a representative to attend the July 8 City Council meeting for recognition. The committee also voted to award Sam Keator and Anne Doherty of S&A Irish Dance the Community Enhancement Award for their Irish Dance instruction and performances at the Grange in Tualatin. Staff will contact S&A Irish Dance to invite them to the July 8 City Council meeting for recognition.

Chair, Buck Braden, suggested that TAAC members visit La Isla Bonita, a Tualatin Restaurant, to view the art.

3. ¡Viva Tualatin! Participatory Art Project Update

Staff, Julie Ludemann, provided an update on the Call to Artists. The application is available on the City's website, and has been promoted to RAAC and Tualatin Valley Creates. One submission has been received.

4. Storm Drain Mural Project

Staff, Julie Ludemann, updated the committee on the contract with Tualatin Riverkeepers to recruit an artist to paint a storm drain mural at Community Park. The application is available on Tualatin Riverkeepers website.

E. NEW BUSINESS

4. Arts Budget Update

Staff, Julie Ludemann, updated the committee on the 2019-20 budget. \$6,375 from the 2018-19 budget will be carried over into next year. This will be used to support arts programs, installations, and projects as identified by the committee.

F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Council member Bridget Brooks notified the committee of a vacancy on City Council.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm



Julie Ludemann, Recorder

**Progress Report FY2019
Tualatin Heritage Center
Arts-Related Activities, July, 2018-June, 2019**

The heritage center provided the following arts and culture-related activities during the past 12 months:

Art Classes

Linda Aman continues to offer art classes six months a year despite the distance she must travel (from Boise). She typically offers a day-long workshop on a specific skill set or technique for a reasonable price that includes lunch and materials. Each trip here also includes five half-day opportunities for novices or advanced skill students. Her popularity as a teacher has not waned since she lived in Tualatin. Each year she also introduces some new ideas to keep things interesting. Linda receives a negotiated rental rate based on her tenure. She also offered a scholarship to one of her classes at our September auction.

Tualatin art teacher Angele Wrahtz, a former student of Linda Aman, completed her third year offering classes up to four days a month. Numbers of students are gradually growing though not as much as she would like. We remind her that most of our programming takes a while to catch on. As for Linda's classes, the student cost is typically \$30 per half day and we negotiate a monthly rental rate based in part on her success in attracting students.

Wild Over Watercolor

This informal group of watercolor artists meets several times monthly at THC to continue honing their skills and helping each other. These are artists who simply enjoy painting with others and requires several tables on our main floor for the days they come. WOW is open to the public. They sometimes buy a piece of equipment for the heritage center as well (like new table). They have also purchased gift cards for us to sell at our September auction. The group started with just women and now welcomes men as well.

Community Theatre

We continued to host several Mask & Mirror Community (M&M) Theatre annual meetings as well as auditions several times this year. 2019 is the third year M&M staged its "unmasked" series of more serious plays for adult audiences that the producers feel are not appropriate to be staged in a church building because of language or themes (their normal venue is Calvin Presbyterian Church in Tigard). Our arrangement with the company is to split the profits after expenses with 60% to M&M and 40% to Tualatin Historical Society. The plays run three consecutive weekends. Rehearsal time takes away rental opportunities for us for several weeks, including a solid week before a show opens as they fine tune their staging and lighting. However, next year some of the rehearsals will be held in a new rental facility (an industrial warehouse in Tigard). We have been impressed with the professional quality of these intimate productions which lack the public participation they deserve.

This year the radio drama troupe led by Janet Steiger Carr staged two impressive productions which also need a wider audience. These shows rely on the voices and personalities of the actors and have minimal props and electronic sound effects. Several are professionals who normally perform in Portland theatres but enjoy less rehearsal time and costuming needed for this kind of show. These

offerings only charge \$5 to attend.

Folk Arts

A unique art-related offering at THC continues to be our twice-monthly knitting and crocheting group. This idea started in 2006 with persons just gathering to help each other. Now it's become a popular attraction that includes up to 15 persons of all ages who love to share their craft and ideas. Their potlucks and goodies are also a big draw. We have also had success with having hands-on traditional crafts during our 4th grade Pioneer Days each spring. Students from all three public elementary schools try their hands at weaving, needlework and simple tin smithing. We just completed the 2019 edition with some 325 students participating.

Music

We are pleased to host New Horizons Big Band for their rehearsals when the Juanita Pohl Center is being used for City Council meetings. Music is another area we would like to expand if groups are looking for a place to perform.

Looking Ahead

We are beginning some exploratory talks with Willowbrook Arts Camp on how some of their programming might expand here in other months of the calendar beyond summer. They have rented our facility for staff training in June. We are also exploring how to incorporate more multi-cultural programming of our own, particularly with the Latino community since Cindy Frost (our manager) is bi-lingual in Spanish.

Summary of use of TACC subsidy in FY 2018:

Rental subsidy for community theatre meetings, auditions, rehearsals \$500

Rental subsidy for community artists (watercolorists) and musicians (NHBB rehearsals) \$500

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