

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA



TEMPE ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION

May 9, 2022

6 p.m.

Tempe Public Library

Board Room, 2nd Floor

3500 S Rural Road

Tempe, 85282

Hybrid option via Microsoft Teams

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AGENDA

Call to Order

1. Public Appearances: The Arts & Culture Commission welcomes public comment for items listed on this agenda. There is a three-minute time limit per individual. Anyone wishing to agendize an item for an upcoming meeting should utilize the Public Appearances for consideration.
2. Approval: April 11, 2022 Tempe Arts & Culture Commission Minutes ACTION
3. Presentation: Hayden Flour Mill Development, Venue/Sunbelt & Tempe Economic Development
4. Update: Arts & Culture Division
 - a. Brendan Ross, Deputy Director – Arts & Culture
 - i. Program reports attached
 - b. Rebecca Blume Rothman, Public Art Manager
 - i. Temporary Projects
 - c. Maja Aurora, Community Arts Manager
 - i. Arts in the Parks
5. Official TACC Representation
 - a. Attended Events
 - b. Upcoming Events
6. Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Next Meeting: June 13, 2022 at 6pm, Tempe Public Library - Board Room, 2nd Floor

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Minutes TEMPE ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION April 11, 2022

Minutes of the Tempe Arts and Culture Commission (TACC) meeting recorded at 6:00pm on April 11, 2022, held via Teams.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Jacqueline Bernatt
Jeff Davis – Chair
Maureen Kobierowski – Vice-chair
Haylee Mills
Randall Schmidt
Jennifer Song
Justin Stewart
Ginny Sylvester

City Staff Present:

Brendan Ross, Deputy Director – Arts & Culture Division
Brenda Abney, Manager – Tempe History Museum
Eileen May, Managing Director – Tempe Center for the Arts
Maja Aurora, Manager – Tempe Community Arts
Rebecca Blume Rothman, Manager – Tempe Public Art
Kara Osburn, Financial Analyst – Arts & Culture Division
Amanda Martin, Administrative Assistant II+ – Arts & Culture Division

(MEMBERS) Absent:

William Carr
Harper Lines
Bobby Nichols

Guest(s) Present:

None

Call to Order

- **Jeff Davis**, TACC Chair, called the TACC meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances

- None

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the March 14, 2022 Commission Minutes

J. Davis asked the commissioners to review an unapproved TACC minutes document dated March 14, 2022.

MOTION: Maureen Kobierowski moved to approve the March 14, 2022 Tempe Arts and Culture Commission Meeting Minutes with edits.

SECOND: Ginny Sylvester seconded

AYES: Jacqueline Bernatt, Maureen Kobierowski, Haylee Mills, Randall Schmidt, Jennifer Song, Justin Stewart, Ginny Sylvester

ABSTAIN: Jeff Davis

NAYS: None

RESULT: Motion passed with a 7-0 vote

ABSENT: William Carr, Harper Lines, Bobby Nichols

Agenda Item 3 – Update: Arts & Culture Division

- **Brendan Ross**, Deputy Director for Arts & Culture, provided brief updates on the following:
 - April 10 unveiling of Public Art piece by Jacob Butler, coupled with a rededication of Hayden House.
 - TCA won a Downtown Tempe Impact Award for Indigenous Arts Festival in Nov. 2021.
- **Tempe Public Art**
 - Rebecca Rothman's position has been reclassified to Arts & Culture Manager.

- **Tempe Center for the Arts**
 - TCA has dropped the requirement for masks and COVID testing as of Friday, April 8th.
 - These steps taken based on CDC guidelines and Maricopa County transmission numbers being low. The policy has been reviewed and approved by the City Manager.
- **Community Arts**
 - Maja Aurora's position has been reclassified to Arts & Culture Manager.
 - Arts Grants
 - Rolling out a new way of presenting grants with no requirement for a funding match. Focus on communication through storytelling to Council, including a feature in the Friday Packet.
 - J. Davis: If there's a way to communicate the success of the program to council, this may help with future asks.
 - \$200K funded 68 projects within the Wavemaker and Vibrant City Arts Grants.
 - Prospective applicants can find a Calendarly link on www.tempe.gov/artsgrants to view Maja's availability for grant consultation meetings. Meetings can cover questions about any stage of the grant process.
 - M. Aurora will reach out soon to TACC members who have not served on a grant panel. The first round starts late June.
 - Please forward recommendations for panelists to maja_aurora@tempe.gov.
- **Program Reports**
 - Arts & Culture Finances – Quarterly Report
 - Tempe Public Art – Current events can be found in the written report and at www.tempe.gov/publicart.
 - Tempe Community Arts – Current events can be found in the written report and at www.tempe.gov/arts and www.tempe.gov/ednaarts.
 - Tempe Center for the Arts – Current events can be found in the written report and at www.tempecenterforthearts.com.
 - Tempe History Museum – Current events can be found in the written report and at www.tempe.gov/museumevents.

Agenda Item 4 – Discussion: Engagement with other Tempe Boards and Commissions

- Maureen Kobierowski explained the purpose of engagement with other Boards and Commissions:
 - To foster relationship building throughout the city. The Neighborhood Celebration format at Kiwanis Park brought together a blend of creators, businesses, and community. A Boards and Commissions meet & greet could be beneficial.
 - Jacqueline Bernatt has been invited to speak to a Rotary Club in August.
 - Justin Stewart suggests brainstorming not just what commissions to intersect with, but also other members of the community like social service clubs and ASU.
 - B. Ross: There is a Boards and Commissions Appreciation Event on May 6th at TCA. This is an opportunity to celebrate the work commissioners do and meet other commissioners and stake holders.
 - J. Davis: TACC often intersects with Tempe Economic Development creating opportunities for TACC to advocate for the arts.
 - G. Sylvester: TACC intersects with the Historic Preservation Commission concerning historic homes. A prior member of TACC is now on the HPC.

Agenda Item 5 – Commissioner Nomination and Appointment: General Plan 2050 Committee

- B. Ross gave a summary:
 - Commissioners are called to nominate up to 2 (two) members for the General Plan 2050 Committee.
 - This council-appointed community group will meet monthly.
 - Express your interest and/or questions to Joy.
 - TACC members on the committee are able to focus efforts on the arts/being an arts representative.

- Justin: View the [GP 2040 document](#) to get an idea of the scope of the new project.

Agenda Item 6 – Official TACC Representation

- Ginny: Suggest buying the Experience membership from TCA.
- Clark Park Committee:
 - Ginny: 87 applicants
- Justin Stewart: Thanks to Tempe History Museum and Dan [Miller] for allowing me to curate a DJ night on April 8.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

- J. Stewart: Revisit the larger discussion after the May 6th commission mixer at TCA. Report back to the group about conversations and ideas. This will be an opportunity to advance our agenda throughout the city and raise overall awareness of arts & culture in Tempe.
- B. Ross: We have a representative scheduled to talk about Hayden Flour Mill at the May 9 TACC meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm

Prepared by: Amanda Martin and Joy Higgins

Unapproved

Tempe Arts & Culture Finances

May 2022

FY 21-22 YEAR-END PREP

As we enter period 11 of 12, all workgroups are assessing their budgets and making plans for any spending that needs to happen in this fiscal year.

CURRENT YEAR EXPENSES

Expenses by cost center (workgroup) through April are below. Please note these are **draft** figures, as the city's accounting office hasn't finalized the books for April.

Cost Centers	Budget	Expense	% Expended
3741 Arts and Culture Admin	\$ 364,673	\$ 241,753	66%
3761 Tempe Center for the Arts	\$ 3,921,177	\$ 2,724,466	69%
3762 TCA Art Park	\$ 85,844	\$ 63,844	74%
3763 TCA Facility Management	\$ 505,321	\$ 349,815	69%
3764 Food and Beverage	\$ 106,640	\$ 23,981	22%
3781 Museum	\$ 828,817	\$ 575,924	69%
3785 Community Arts Engagement	\$ 910,907	\$ 602,041	66%
Grand Total	\$ 6,723,379	\$ 4,581,824	68%

CURRENT YEAR REVENUES

Revenues by cost center (workgroup) through April are below. Please note these are **draft** figures, as the city's accounting office hasn't finalized the books for April.

Cost Centers	Revenue Estimate	Recognized Revenue	% Target
3761 Arts & Culture Tax	\$ 9,464,858	\$ 8,256,102	87%
3761 TCA Earned Revenue	\$ 389,015	\$ 180,205	46%
3764 Food and Beverage	\$ 175,000	\$ 9,710	6%
3781 Museum	\$ 14,000	\$ 15,748	112%
3785 Community Arts Engagement	\$ 50,000	\$ 113,098	226%
Grand Total	\$ 10,092,873	\$ 8,574,863	85%

Tempe Community Arts

May 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

Arts in the Parks- Dance Events

Tempe's Community Arts team has collaborated with Ruby Morales, a local professional dance artist, to bring Tempe residents an art-filled evening to four local parks. Bring your family and friends of all ages to experience Breaking Pachanga, a fusion of Mexican culture and hip hop with dance forms combining Cumbia and breaking. These events will also feature a live DJ and drumming performance by members of Grupo BambaZo and a hands-on art making activity.

www.tempe.gov/ArtsintheParks



Goodwin Park:	Friday, May 6	6:00-7:30pm
Hudson Park:	Thursday, May 12	6:00-7:30pm
Swob Park:	Friday, May 13	6:00-7:30pm

Free Art Friday

This *Daring Dinosaur* themed event is on May 13th from 9-11am at Edna Vihel Arts Center. Join us for a roaring good time as families meet new dino friends and explore through imaginative play, music, movement and themed crafts ideal for kids ages 1-5. This free event features educational activities and crafts that give children and caregivers a hands-on experience learning and creating together. www.tempe.gov/EdnaArts



ARTS CLASSES

Edna Arts Summer session is now open for registration. Summer Session takes place between June 4th – July 30th. We have a full schedule of new and returning classes and camps with options for both in-person and virtual. There is something for everyone at Edna Arts, from early childhood to adults, ceramics to theater. Click [here](#) to view our Summer 2022 session.



ARTS GRANTS

Tempe is committed to providing opportunities for arts and culture projects, offering grant programs for non-profit organizations and artist collectives. Everyone interested in applying for a grant is highly encouraged to schedule a free one-on-one mentoring session with Maja Aurora, Community Arts Manager, to produce the best submission possible.

Deadline June 1st. www.tempe.gov/ArtsGrants

Wavemaker Arts Grants are available to non-profit organizations providing inclusive arts and culture programming that advances Tempe as a vibrant and progressive community.

Amount: Up to \$10,000 – no match required

Vibrant City Arts Grants are available to artist collectives, cultural groups, LLCs and non-profit organizations providing inclusive arts and culture programming in Tempe.

Amount: Up to \$2,500 – no match required

RECAP

Music Under the Stars

Friday, April 29 | 7-8:30pm | Tempe Diablo Stadium

Four high school band programs (Corona del Sol, Mountain Pointe, Desert Vista and Marcos de Niza) and members from two adult bands (Arizona Winds Symphony and Tempe Winds) participated in the event. During the last performance - all 350 musicians played together to a crowd of 1,000+ people. This year we incorporated fireworks! Music Under the Stars offers an inclusive community atmosphere in which everyone can enjoy live music free of charge.



More information about Tempe Community Arts

www.tempe.gov/communityarts

Tempe Public Art

May 2022

PUBLIC ART

Public Art Reception

May 24 | 5:30-7:30 pm | Tempe Public Library, 2nd Floor Gallery

Please join artists Safwat Saleem, Shela Yu, Jun Blanco, Edgar Fernandez, Meg Howard, and others in celebration of the new public art exhibitions at the Tempe Public Library. During 2020, artist Shela Yu completed an installation in the youth library on the lower level. This past spring artist Safwat Saleem installed the Self-Help Library at the Connections Cafe. As part of the completion of the Utility Box installation in Downtown Tempe, all participating artists have shared their studio work and are exhibiting these pieces on the 2nd floor of the Library through the summer of 2022. At this event, you will be able to obtain an artist designed library card as well as an artist designed activity by Safwat Saleem.

Opening remarks and welcome at 6 pm on the 2nd floor of the Tempe Public Library
Refreshments will be provided

NEIGHBORHOOD ART

The Cyclist Feat artwork located in the chicanes along Farmer street has been damaged several times over the last decade. In working with residents from the Wilson Art and Gardens Neighborhood Association, Neighborhood Services, and the City of Tempe Traffic Engineering team, artists Matthew and Maria Salenger of coLab studio have provided a proposal to move the artwork into a safer location along Farmer. This proposal will require a slight modification to the original design in order to allow it to fit within the new location and be removed from the chicanes. The new location is on the corner of 10th and Farmer, which will provide safety from vehicular traffic and create a landmark within the area. Staff is working with the artist team now on creating a contract and schedule for the renovation.

More information about Tempe Public Art
www.tempe.gov/publicart

Tempe Center for the Arts

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GALLERY AT TCA

Vital Signs

May 14 - Sept. 10 | Gallery at TCA

The Gallery at TCA is presenting a new juried exhibition with featured art and ideas that make connections between people and the environment. Selected artists cover a wide variety of global and local topics including climate change, health and wellness, natural resources, wildlife conservation and more. The theme is purposely open-ended so that many different voices and perspectives may be heard and represented.

Exhibited artworks include a variety of art making media including painting, print making, fiber art, mixed media sculpture, photography and video.

This exhibition is also part of a larger TCA initiative called “Art Transforms” which includes visual and performing arts experiences that help build healthy community connections.



(Image by Edgar Fernandez)

About the Artist Residency Program: The Gallery at TCA is pleased to present its fifth artists-in-residence program. Three Arizona artists were selected to occupy studio spaces inside the Gallery during the run of the *Vital Signs* exhibition. Residency artists will participate in a 12-week residency program be paid a stipend up to \$2,000.

Selected 2022 Artists-in-Residence:

David Emitt Adams, Phoenix; Edgar Fernandez, Phoenix; Shachi Kale, Chandler

Exhibiting Artists:

Diana Creighton, Oracle; Matthias Duwel, Oracle; Lex Gjurasic, Tucson; Heidi Hogden, Phoenix; Daniella Napolitano, Phoenix; Rebecca Padilla-Pipkin, Phoenix; Kendra Sollars, Tempe; Hyewon Yoon, Chandler

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Stray Cat Theatre presents *Assassins* May 6 – 21
- Crank Gameplays presents *I Have To Do This Show* May 11
- Performance with a View presents Anna Garula, violin & Michelle Kim, piano May 17
- Arizona Wind Symphony presents *Voices of Stage and Screen* May 19
- Celebration of Women Book Launch May 22
- Teatro Bravo presents *MEMORIAL* by Antonio Miniño May 25 - 27

More information about Tempe Center for the Arts

www.tempecenterforthearts.com

Tempe History Museum

May 2022



UPCOMING EVENTS

Performances at the Museum

Francine Reed and Friends

May 6 | 7 pm | Museum Community Room



Truly a musical experience that should not be missed: The 'Queen of the Blues' – Miss Francine Reed, in concert at the Tempe History Museum. Joining Miss Reed is pianist/keyboardist Nicole Pesce, along with Grammy Award Winning Bass Player Mel Brown and drummer Sheila Earley who has performed in all 50 states and 5 countries.

Meet the band in a Q&A session after the show. Free, fun and family friendly. Seating is limited; event will be live streamed to Facebook: www.facebook.com/tempehistorymuseum

Performances at the Museum

Acoustic Duo Night:

The SunPunchers Trio and Jesse Valenzuela & Mark Zubia

May 20 | 7 pm | Museum Community Room

The SunPunchers are known for creating a blend of warm, open Americana music with gorgeous vocal harmonies and full guitar sounds. Their songs are a combination of contemplative lyricism and an open landscape of rich Southwestern loneliness.

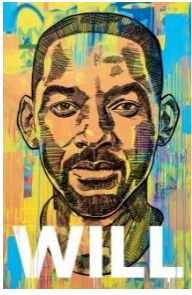
Jesse Valenzuela and Mark Zubia will perform original country, honky-tonk, folk and pop tunes from both singer-songwriters. Jesse Valenzuela is perhaps best known as an original member of the alternative rock band Gin Blossoms. Mark is best known for playing in the Pistoleros. Both are great friends who started their careers in the 90s on Mill Avenue.

Meet the musicians in a Q&A session after the show. Free and family friendly. Seating is limited; event will be live streamed to Facebook:

www.facebook.com/tempehistorymuseum



AAAC Book Club



Will by Will Smith, with Mark Manson

May 26 | 6-7 pm | Zoom

This is the first discussion for this title. Discussions are led by Dr. Felicia Durden. All interested participants are encouraged to email museum@tempe.gov to be added to the book club's participation list. Welcome emails and meeting reminders will be sent to participants. Recordings of previous book club discussions are available at www.tempe.gov/aaac.

EXHIBITS

Tempe Sister Cities: 50 Years of Citizen Diplomacy

Open through Oct. 15, 2022 | Featured Museum Exhibit

On April 23 Tempe History Museum cut the ribbon on our latest exhibit, titled *Tempe Sister Cities: 50 Years of Citizen Diplomacy*.



Left: Doing the honors are (from left): Tempe Sister Cities founder and longtime president Dick Neuheisel, Councilmember Arlene Chin, Mayor Corey Woods, Sister Cities President David Carrera, Councilmember Lauren Kuby, and Sister Cities founders Hut Hutson and Gordon Creswell.



Right: On April 30, Tempe History Museum was visited by Victor Boluarte Medina, Mayor of Cusco, Peru. Sr. Curator Josh Roffler gave him a tour of *Tempe Sister Cities: 50 Years of Citizen Diplomacy* as well as the museum's permanent exhibits. Tempe and Cusco have been Sister Cities since 2012. More visits from international dignitaries representing Tempe's 11 sister cities are expected during the run of the exhibit.



Tempe 150: Perspectives

Open through May 28, 2022 | Community Room Gallery

This collection of personal stories, milestones, and unique happenings, told by Tempeans from their perspectives, will be on display in the museum's Community Room. View the exhibit online at www.tempe.gov/Tempe150 (select "Tempe 150 Perspectives Exhibit" in the left-side navigation).

SAVE THE DATES

The Return of Tempe Time Machine!

Wednesdays in June & July | 10 am-2 pm | Museum

Kicking off June 1, youth and their families can get hands-on with crafts, interactive activities, stories, games, and live demonstrations following the theme of our current featured exhibit. Learn about many different places in the world with Tempe Sister Cities and Tempe History Museum! See www.tempe.gov/timemachine for more information.



Juneteenth Celebration

Why We Celebrate: Remembering Our Past and Looking Forward to Our Future

Saturday, June 18 | 11 am- 3 pm | Museum

Tempe History Museum's African American Advisory Committee is presenting the 9th Annual Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, June 18, 2022, to educate the community and celebrate freedom from slavery in the United States. The celebration will be held from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Tempe History Museum, 809 E Southern Avenue, Tempe. This free, family-friendly event will include educational tables, performances, food vendors, and activities for kids and adults. See more at www.tempe.gov/juneteenth.

More information about Tempe History Museum

www.tempe.gov/museum