

APPROVED MINUTES
ARTS COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, July 23, 2012
Place of Meeting: City Hall Committee Conference Room 1st Floor

I. Call to Order Chairperson McGuire called the Meeting to Order at 6:25 p.m.

II. Phantom Art Gallery Opening

III. Pledge of Allegiance Chairperson McGuire led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Anthony, Foulk, Hays, McGuire, Santos, Strauss, Phan and Roth

Commissioners Absent: Gill

City Staff Present: Staff Liaison Renee Lorentzen, Recording Secretary Rosana Cacao

City Council Liaison Excused: Council Member Giordano

V. Seating of Alternates None

VI. Approval of Agenda **MOTION** to approve the agenda of July 23, 2012 as submitted.

M/S: Foulk/Hays Ayes: All

VII. Approval of Minutes **MOTION** to approve the minutes of March 26, 2012 as submitted.

M/S: Hays/Strauss Ayes: All

VIII. Public Forum Thelma Batillo, Milpitas resident, invited Commission members to attend the Art Forum for Youth at the Milpitas Library on Tuesday, July 24 at 1:00pm.

IX. Announcements/Correspondence

Staff Lorentzen introduced Doris Roth, Alternate No. 2. Ms. Roth is a 40 year Milpitas resident and also past President of the Rotary Club.

X. New Business

1. Phantom Art Gallery Application Review

The Arts Commission jury's art for (2) Phantom Art Gallery sites at the Community Center and the Library in Milpitas.

Staff Lorentzen stated there were two artists, Sandhiya Kalyanasundaram and Gloria Ramos to be reviewed. The artists brought a sampling of their art pieces that they would like to display.

Sandhiya Kalyanasundaram displayed oils on canvas, which explores her cultural memory and spiritual inheritance through use of symbolism and metaphor. She enjoys using intense colors to display her art.

MOTION to approve Sandhiya Kalyanasundaram to display her artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Hays/Santos Ayes: All

Gloria Ramos displayed her art pieces which includes use of vibrant colors and sampling of silk scarves.

MOTION to approve Sandhiya Kalyanasundaram to display her artwork in the Phantom Art Gallery.

M/S: Hays/Santos

Ayes: All

2. 2012 Artist of the Year Award

The Milpitas Arts Commission awarded its first Milpitas Artist of the Year Award in the beginning of 2012 to resident artist Bill Hare. The 2012 award will be presented by City Council in January 2013, and the Commission should begin distributing nomination forms in September.

Staff Lorentzen suggested opening nominations to Milpitas Business' and Arts Organizations.

MOTION to include nominations from Milpitas Business' and Arts Organizations as part of the Artist of the Year application form.

M/S: Hays/Strauss

Ayes: All

3. Veterans Phantom Art Gallery Exhibit Review

The first Veteran's Phantom Art Gallery opening was held at the City of Milpitas' Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 28, 2012. The show lasted until July 13th and featured nine (9) veterans from all over the Bay Area. Staff received numerous positive comments from the public and the veterans, all expressing in having this exhibit return.

Staff Lorentzen asked the Commission if they would be interested in making this an annual event. Several Commissioners felt that it would be a good idea to make it at annual event and even considered displaying at the Veteran's Day Ceremony. Staff Lorentzen also reminded the Commission if this will be an annual event, then the entire Commission needs to attend the event to show support.

MOTION to have an Annual Veterans Phantom Art Gallery Exhibit in conjunction with the City's Memorial Day Ceremony.

M/S: Strauss/Santos

Ayes: All

XI. Liaison Reports

1. **City Council** None.

2. Staff Report

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on July 23, 2012.

XII. Future Agenda Items

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting on September 24, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosana Cacao
Recording Secretary