



Seattle Arts Commission: 2017 Workplan Priorities

Community Development and Outreach Committee

- Work with other cultural organizations to continue to invest training, professional and leadership development, specifically focusing on people of color, and incorporating Seattle Cultural Districts
- Honor and recognize artists and arts organizations for their work in the community
 - Continue to ask artists to present each month at Seattle Arts Commission meetings
 - Advise on the vision and strategy for the Mayor's Arts Awards and nomination process
 - Develop a set of criteria that we use to select artists and made determinations about how to use SAC time
- Arts Community Engagement: Develop the strategic direction for SAC to build relationships and deepen presence across the city at a variety of arts happenings, as official representatives at openings, community events, and arts & cultural activities, and more

Facilities and Economic Development

- Advocate for and help guide the Cultural Space Program by using an equity lens
- Advocate for and track the support for DIY Spaces
- Square Feet Event: Commercial affordability and maker space
- Explore a Public Development Authority for cultural space

Public Art Advisory Committee

- Focus on education & outreach to demystify, humanize, and spark excitement about public art through artist talks, lectures at educational institutions, youth education and mentorship opportunities aimed at a variety of audiences
- Outreach into under resourced communities and expand reach into neighborhoods, partnering with organizational programs rooted within communities
- Increase the number and diversity of applicants, with an intentional focus on working with Native artists and local artists

Youth & Communities Committee

- City of Music Career Day
- Career Day Expansion
- Creative Industries: Creative Advantage / Skills Centers / Workforce Development
- Outreach / Community Engagement / Equity & Access



Full Commission Priorities

Commission Recruitment

Create a process that allows the public to indicate an interest in the Commission as well as formalize the process we currently employ of simply vetting names internally in an effort toward greater transparency, accountability and organization.

Arts Embedded in Policy

Distinct from general advocacy work, strategize on how to move policy that incorporates the arts forward across the city, referencing existing efforts by ARTS as a strategic guide.

- Advocate for continued investment in building community within the arts and cultural sector, including initiatives such as CAWA/Access for All and NEA/NEH, with a racial equity lens

Arts Community Engagement

Build intentionality and strategic presence across the city at a variety of arts happenings, as official representatives at openings, community events, and arts & cultural activities, and more.