



**SEATTLE ARTS COMMISSION**  
Draft Minutes  
Monthly Meeting  
Tuesday, May 10, 2016  
King Street Station, Third Floor

Commissioners present: *Juan Alonso-Rodriguez, Jeff Benesi, Cassie Chinn, Jonathan Cunningham, Priya Frank, Steve Galatro, Ashraf Hasham, Billy O'Neill, Vivian Phillips (chair), Tracy Rector, Kelly Rodriguez, and Huong Vu*

Commissioners absent: *Terri Hiroshima, Gian-Carlo Scandiuizzi, and Sharon Williams*

Staff present: *Payton Bordley, Calandra Childers, Randy Engstrom, Irene Gomez, Elisheba Johnson, Kristi Woo*

Guests present: *Shaun Scott*

**Call to Order:**

Vivian Phillips called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

**Approval of the April minutes**

Kelly moved to approve the April minutes. Jeff seconded. All present approved.

**Youth Arts: Irene Gomez and Kristi Woo**

Irene Gomez and Kristi Woo presented the proposed recipients of the 2016-2017 Youth Arts awards. This year we received 42 applications. Beginning next funding cycle, Kristi Woo will be managing the Youth Arts and Work Readiness Arts Program (WRAP).

**Motion:** Huong moved to approve the 2016-2017 selection for the Youth Arts funding program. Juan seconded. All present approved.

**Director's Report: Randy Engstrom**

A press release will go out this week or next announcing the launch of LHPAI as a nonprofit. ARTS has received an NEA grant to fund artists of color to work in residence in various arts organizations. The Seattle Arts Leadership Team (SALT) is offering two scholarships to Seattle-based emerging arts professionals to attend the Americans for the Arts (AFTA) Arts Leadership Preconference in Boston. The Mayor's Arts Awards nominations are now open. This year's categories are Cultural Ambassador, Arts & Innovation, Philanthropy, and Legacy.

**King Street Station Community Conversations**

Shaun Scott – a local writer, film maker and historian – will be facilitating conversations with several niche groups about King Street Station and its development as a cultural arts space. In 2017, Shaun will release a report based on a survey that ARTS will be releasing to the community. Vivian encouraged the



SAC to revisit the 2016 work plan to ensure that SAC's goals are effectively incorporated in the public engagement process.

**Cultural Access Washington (CAWA): Discussion**

SAC and the 4Culture will meet jointly at King Street Station on June 14<sup>th</sup> to develop a set of joint recommendations for CAWA. The intended outcome of meeting with 4Culture board - collaboratively create a set of recommendations that address the following:

- Equitable distribution of funds - how do we better shape the distribution model
- Establish an equitable model for overall guidelines
- Establish a more concrete plan for schools engagement
- Translating the benefits across the county - establishing a clear and concise communications and outreach plan that helps us all to be good ambassadors

**Adjournment:** 5:03 p.m.