

# CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

APPROVED NOVEMBER 3, 2022

## West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission

Thursday, October 6, 2022

7:00pm

### MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 7:05pm by Heidi Kuharich; Roll Call: Paulina Garcia, Anni Holm, Heidi Kuharich, Buddy Plumlee, Deborah Walsh, and City Liaison Daniel Peck in attendance; Quorum established  
Guests: Jacob Hernandez, Judith Horsley, Belen Rubio
2. Approve Minutes of September 1, 2022
  - a. Buddy Plumlee made motion to approve, Paulina Garcia seconded; Approved unanimously
3. Public Participation/Presentation: none
4. Items for Discussion and Possible Action
  - a. Art Banner Exhibit—continued discussion
    - i. Discussion continued toward finalizing the theme for 2023 and including notation in titling to highlight 15<sup>th</sup> year (“Fifteen Years of Art Banners”); Anni Holm made motion to approve “Vitality/Vitalidad”, Deborah Walsh seconded; Approved unanimously
    - ii. Discussion on considerations for short list of potential juror for 2023 exhibit; in deference to 15<sup>th</sup> year recognition, should be someone with strong roots in West Chicago; suggested: David Exner (D94), Pastor Josh Ebener (St. Andrew’s), a past Mayor (Mike Fortner), past artist
    - iii. Discussion continued on topic of returning banners to artists upon exhibit completion without cost to them, in gratitude for participating and being accepted into exhibit; carrying over motion from September meeting, 2022 banners will be offered to artists and past banners will be decided at CAC meetings on case-by-case basis
  - b. Art Banner Exhibit—People’s Choice Award
    - i. Review of polling results for People’s Choice Award; CAC confirmed “Duck Weather” by Sue Krzyzanowski with 103 votes; Full results:

Title	Artist	Count
Kingsford	Abigail Laughlin	7
Oriole in Spring Tree	Joe Weibler	2
Wakened Maple	Gideon & Elizabeth Carroll	18
Daybreak	Jay Summer	3
Colorful Landscape	Jeffrey Mendenhall	14
Sunny Days	Carson March	30
Red & Yellow Tulips	Cassandra Swierenga	2
Fresh Start	James Lauro	28
Transformation	Barb Risner	4
Planting Native Species	Judith Horsley	0
Glory of the Snow	Philip Weibler	1
Renewal Energy Resources	Natalia Toreeva	2
Emergence	Bella Wiehle	15
Hummingbird in the Sunlight	Kathi Kuchler	7
Honey, I’m Home!	Rosemary Mackey	2
Beautiful Tire	Barbara Bartolato	7
The Red-Winged Orator	Cheryl Rausch	28
Wind Power	Michael Horsley	1
New Life	Jim Rakow	9
<b>Duck Weather</b>	<b>Sue Krzyzanowski</b>	<b>103</b>
Renewal	Christine Cintula	4
The Gift of Life	Thelma Caroline Acevedo	1
Flower Burst	Anne Frantzen	0
New Beginnings	Barbara Dunn	1
Feeding the Kids	Sheila Newanham	1

- ii. Recognition at Council Meeting (October 17, 2022): traditionally, all artists are invited to reception during Blooming Fest and winner is offered solo show of works at City Hall; discussion continued on how to honor all in lieu of traditional practice: All artists invited to City Council Meeting (Dan Peck to send e-mail inviting them), Mayor to read names of all artists during meeting, Mayor to highlight People’s Choice Award recipient/show

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- banner (photo op); all to receive their banners (Dan Peck to arrange pick-up); All to receive certificates of participation signed by Mayor and Chair; People's Choice Awardee to receive additional certificate signed by Mayor and Chair; Dan Peck is following up on solo show possibility at City Hall due to renovation issues
- c. Alebrijes Projects
    - i. Portals: next event during WCPLD Noche de Alebrijes, creating group "glow" portal during event; Paulina Garcia, Jacob Hernandez, Heidi Kuharich, Buddy Plumlee, Deborah Walsh on hand to assist
    - ii. Sculpture: moving from second floor to attend WCPLD Noche de Alebrijes event; Paulina Garcia, Jacob Hernandez, Heidi Kuharich, Buddy Plumlee, Deborah Walsh on hand to assist with transfer
  - d. Tampico Murals: discussion on initial plan (2018-2019) and CAC as curator of all arts activities in West Chicago
5. Other Business
- a. Event Volunteer Sign-Up: Dan Peck mentioned form
  - b. Heidi Kuharich mentioned ARTober Fest + Juan Chawuk Opening at Gallery 200/MCC, Friday 10.7.22, 6-8pm
  - c. Anni Holm mentioned upcoming artist talk with Juan Chawuk to be scheduled closer to 10.31.22 at MCC
  - d. Anni Holm mentioned upcoming photo marathons coming over holidays (three separate dates)
6. Adjournment: 8.41pm