

# Centerville Arts Commission Meeting

May 7, 2008

**Members Present: Mark Taylor, Francine Riley, Deb Dyer, Jim Teske, Nora Gessner, Carol Wasson, Dianne Acosta**

**Members Absent: (excused) Harish Trivedi**

**Also present: Angie Tapongna, City Arts Coordinator; Belinda Kenley, Council Liason; Matt Dunn, guest, Centerville crime prevention office.**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Matt Dunn invited The Arts Commission to participate in Mystery Night on August 5 .	The Event is titled "Can You See Me Now?" We are asked to host a pick-up point. Participants proceed from one pick-up point to another, solving a puzzle. This is an opportunity for our non-profit group to interact with approximately 1000 people. The event is free.	The commission voted to participate in Mystery Night. Our Pick up point will possibly be Yankee Trace.
Remarks from the Chair, Mark Taylor	Mark will work to keep our meetings to about an hour in length. To this end, he will send emails earlier in the week to get all commissioners thinking about the subject so we will not have to debate too long. Also he suggested that work toward developing more participatory or interactive programs.	Homework: Think ahead to the August meeting where we plan for next years projects and come up with more participatory projects.
Money for the Arts	Jim Teske brought up some information he found, searching the web, concerning raising money for the arts thru allocating 1% of budget money from the municipality. Deb has researched this, and believes that it would be multi-year Advocacy program to initiate this type of fund sharing.	Belinda would be happy to present whatever we came up with concerning this issue. Deb offered to get together with Jim and share her knowledge on this subject.
Transition in Committees	Mark explained that usually there is a process for transition, but with the transition of Chairs, we do not have one in place. Belinda added that we are grateful to Mary Anne for all her years devoted to the commission and in the position of leadership as Chair.	Mark Taylor was chosen by the City Council for the position of Chair of the Arts Commission. The council is grateful for all the interest in this leadership position.

Approval of April Minutes		Minutes were accepted
Arts Commission Coordinators Report	<p>Angie explained that because of her schedule of work, she is missing picking up a lot of the publicity that has been done. Collecting all the articles has been difficult.</p> <p>May 9 is the deadline for submitting all concerts to <u>Living Arts</u>.</p> <p>Angie hired Ryan McElhaney, as our Stage Manager for the Summer concert series. Centerville High School will be our rainout location. We will have to pay them. This will just be for the large Events.</p> <p>Belinda said that the Centerville Community Band wanted be in the program and to perform on a Wed. night in August.</p> <p>Mark wants a list of when Angie needs to turn in publicity to publications.</p> <p>Next week Angie will be doing the brochure including Mystery Night Out, Centerville Community Band, The photography Contest and Seminar and the Art Gallery at the Police Dept.</p>	<p>Deb suggested that Angie do her Report on Tues. Night before our meeting. This was agreed upon by all. It will be a separate report emailed to commissioners.</p> <p>Angie said this was doable and she would add them to the program</p> <p>This will be accomplished when Angie is not too busy.</p>
SMAG Concert	<p>Carol reported that although there was a small attendance, it was successful. Belinda introduced the program and realized that govt. puts on these programs to support these groups. Mark interjected that his contact at the high school did not get the word out to the kids as he had promised. 35 people were in attendance.</p>	
Summer Concerts	<p>The schedule is mostly complete. Commissioners need to sign up for the dates they are available to help from about 6:30 to 7:30. It is not compulsory. Wear your blue shirts, hand out programs, and take a count of the attendance. Water will be provided.</p>	<p>Belinda will check her schedule to see what events she can introduce. Angie will be able to attend more concerts.</p> <p>Since there is no head to this committee, someone will have to take this on later in the year.</p>

<p>Photography Seminar and Exhibition</p>	<p>This is progressing well. The categories are People, Places and Digitally altered images. A jury of three from outside Centerville will judge. Nora reported that the Washington Township Recreation Center has agreed to hang some of the photos. We have two other locations for exhibition, the Police Dept Gallery and Centerville High School. This will take place in November.</p>	<p>Deb to talk to the Centerville Library about accepting the digital files of these photos from entrants.</p>
<p>Art in the Heart</p>	<p>Mark explained that the commission had voted to do one show only. However, we applied for a grant and received money to do all days during the summer months. Someone, perhaps the Art in the Heart group announced to the paper that we were sponsoring all four days. We are not obligated to do all four shows, since we did not vote as a commission to do this. There is \$4400 available. \$1100 per show. \$500 for the tent and stage and \$600 for the Band. We do have the money to do all the shows.</p> <p>There is concern from the Commission that we are committed to the Summer Concert series and that we have few members now...8 in all. Perhaps it is asking too much to contribute time to these new events. Also, since the added attractions of bands and artists will benefit the businesses in downtown Centerville, perhaps they too, could contribute some further funds. Deb felt too much was being spent on the tent and stage relative to the performers. Angie agreed, however, the tent and stage were being provided for the benefit of the performers. The four Dates of the Art in the Heart are: June 28, July 26, Aug 30 and Sept 27.</p>	<p>Meeting to be held next Tuesday. Carol, Francine, Nora and Angie will be there. Angie plans to ask the merchants for the dollar amount they are contributing to Publicity. Also they will be asked to place adds in our Summer Concert Programs.</p> <p>A vote was taken and passed that we would participate in the Art in the Heart four dates, however, with the caveat that on Aug 30, we may not be able to provide the same type of physical help because of another event at Stubbs where we are already committed. This is to be decided later.</p>

<p>Old Business</p>	<p>Kroger has agreed to donate \$500 worth of water. Evergreen Veterinarian Hospital will contribute \$250. Belinda says the Council appreciates the contributions that we are finding in the community and that it gives an opportunity to grow the programs.</p>	<p>In the future, it is requested that we track these funds from Business Sponsorships.</p>
<p>Women in Photography Exhibit</p>	<p>Currently exhibited in Color of Energy till the end of June. 27 Women are exhibiting Photographs. It has been well received.</p>	<p>Go see this show if you can.</p>
<p>Publicity</p>	<p>Mark says we have \$2000 available in the Budget for ads in either the CB Times, The Dayton Daily News or whatever we choose.</p>	<p>Mark is negotiating with the Dayton Daily News on the price of Ads.</p>
<p>Build a Database for an Arts E mail</p>		