

Arts Committee Minutes

Tuesday, March 7th, 2023 – 9:07am-10:25am

Virtual Meeting – Zoom

In attendance: David Ginople (Chair), Sam Marts (Voting Member), Laura Botwinick (Commissioner Applicant), Sabrina Alicea (Voting Member)

Staff: Jordan Miller (Arts Administrator), Alice Howe (SSA #33 Program Manager), Luke Scaletta (Community Engagement Coordinator)

Looking Forward

1. You Are Beautiful @ Roberto Clemente – Matthew Hoffman

Restoration

- a. The committee inquired about a viable contact to reach out to, SA provided an email address for Andy Townhouse with the Clemente Library.

2. Kintsugi Memories – Mami Takahashi's Installation

- a. Rainfall has been an issue in the installation, and the artist has requested to install in September, but we would need the installation to be done before Wicker Park Fest 2023.
- b. The committee proposed cancelling the installation and focusing instead on the educational program for Kintsugi instead, seeing as no funding has been paid to the artist yet.

In Progress

1. Walgreens Mural at Milwaukee/Wood/Wolcott

- a. A virtual jury for the mural will be held in April.
- b. Expecting a solid turnout, as a great deal of interest has been shown and the RFP has been shared to numerous community pages on social media.

2. Chicago Sculpture Exhibit

- a. A new CSE sculpture was placed in front of Eskell, after the owner gave their approval, but quickly rescinded their approval after the installation. AH is working things out with the owner, but it is likely that the statue would not be able to be moved until May.

3. Workers' Cottage Updates from Lynn Basa and RBG Lights

- a. JM specified that it would be nice to include orange lighting in the new programming, to represent our SSA colors.

4. Wicker Park Fest Arts Area

- a. JM is making the final edits to the WPF Arts Area RFP and expects to announce its launch on social media by the end of the week. The committee clarified that performance art submissions may be accepted, but visual art is preferred.

Ongoing Discussions

1. Façade Rebate Murals

- a. Bodybar will likely be reaching out soon with a mural request for their building's façade.

2. Hebru Brantley Mural Restoration

3. Expanded Promotion of WPB Arts Guides and Resources

4. Support for WPB Art Quest

Next Meeting – May 2nd