

MINUTES OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 1993

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Freeman Tinnin, Barbara Milman, Ellen Van Fleet, Jeff Townsend, Jack Nielsen, George Esquibel.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Raisler

STAFF PRESENT: Michelle Walker, Nancy Esajian, Virginia Bailey, Kathy Gee

PUBLIC PRESENT: John Collentine

I. The meeting was called to order at 3:38 p.m. and minutes approved as written.

II. Discussion Items

- A. Oak Park Video. The APP committee viewed a video of the murals on the Oak Park Community Center which was televised on Channel 3.
- B. Convention Center. A panelist's meeting is scheduled for December 17 from 9:00 to 1:00 in City Hall, Room 302. Convention Center Assistant Director, Leonard Zerilli, Project Manager, Jim Faber - Facility Management Department, Convention Center Advisory Panel, and APP Committee members were invited to attend. The group will review budget timeline and historical or contemporary exhibits and their location. The meeting will review lead artists/consultant Larry Kirkland's Art Plan.
- C. Chair Update. The SHRA public meeting was moved from January 12 to January 15 which will allow the three finalists selected January 14 at the Metro Arts artist selection panel, St. Rose of Lima project, to attend the meeting with Chair Tinnin. Heather Fargo, Bob Thomas, and Sam Burns prefer the video art project somehow leads the public toward K Street and into stores. Bob Thomas expects SHRA to work together with Metro Arts on the St. Rose of Lima project. In January, Metro Arts and SHRA will give City Council an update of the project. March 14, SHRA and Metro Arts are to go before City Council together to present the St. Rose of Lima project.

Nancy Esajian served as a panelist for SHRA, St. Rose of Lima Master Plan selection panel to select an Urban Design Team.

It was suggested that SHRA be invited to the APP Committee meetings, and that Nancy call SHRA to find out the meeting schedule with urban designers to enable APP committee members to attend. Jack Nielsen, Nancy Esajian, and Richard Raisler are scheduled to attend the first meeting in January. Chair Tinnin will give APP Committee members and the Arts Commission monthly updates on St. Rose of Lima project.

Director Walker mentioned that it would be beneficial if N. Esajian, K. Gee, and Chair Tinnin used an educational approach in teaching the downtown public and businesses about video art to prepare them for the finalists proposals due February 28, 1994. It was suggested that quality slides of video art be used to help in the education process and show successful video art in different plaza areas. The APP committee suggested companies where Nancy may look into their video data banks, archives, schools, etc. Michelle mentioned that Metro Arts should do more workshops regarding video and computer art because of its growing national prominence. Another consideration was holding an Art and Technology Conference next year in conjunction with other agencies statewide, charge for tickets, and have it at the Convention Center.

Exploratorium has an art and technology program which Nancy will check into for potential panelists. The Chicago Art Institute has an art and technology catalog (1991 or 1992) concerning holograms which may have panelist potentials. The Disney company called Imaginarium has technicians who could serve as panelists. Jeff Townsend said he would try to make some calls.

- D. APP Update. New Zoo expansion, \$1.3 million. Small amount available toward art (\$25,000 - \$30,000).

III. New Business

Southern Pacific, Lot A, are potential new projects.

Animal Care and Control Center dedication was December 4, 1993. Chair Tinnin introduced the artists, and Kathy Gee did an excellent job designing the invitations and programs.

Panelist - Upcoming GSA federal project - Nancy will call GSA and request that an APP committee member serve as a panelist for the Sacramento project.

IV. Meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.