

Cape Elizabeth Arts Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2009

Genesta L. Berry, Chair, opened the September 8, 2009 meeting at 7:08 P.M. Also present were RuthAnne Haley, Vice Chair, Janice Reale, Secretary, Wendy Seltzer, Treasurer, Chris Gebhart, Assistant Gallery Manager, Julia Bassett Schwerin, Jay Scherma, Library Director.

RuthAnne submitted the June Secretary's Report. It was approved unanimously. There were no Commission meetings in July and August.

It was noted that Adam Weiner submitted his resignation to the Commission.

Wendy submitted the Treasurer's Report. The fiscal budget of \$1,000 was Town approved. To date, from May, June and July, Gallery commission income totals \$113.50. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

RuthAnne gave updates of the June and July summer exhibits in the TML gallery.

The 2009 Spring Art Grant, Playwright Clare Melley Smith, has been in contact with Adam who recently resigned. Her performance date has not yet been scheduled. Wendy will follow up with her.

The Gallery Schedule will continue to be posted on the TML website.

Annual membership to the Victoria Mansion has been paid. Two passes are available at the Library for community residents.

The special purchase of academy award foreign films was reviewed. Forty films were selected and purchased. One film is still pending receipt. All are in DVD format and are now in the Thomas Memorial Library collection.

The Gallery schedule was reviewed. RuthAnne will email the updated gallery schedule to the Commission. Jan will attach the schedule to the meeting minutes.

Three new gallery applications were reviewed. Three motions were accepted and passed. Approval of the three applications was unanimous. Chris will contact the 3 artists and schedule the exhibits.

The Town art selection at the Labor Day Art Show on September 6 was discussed. An art selection by Portland Artist, Lori Austill, was selected as the town purchase prize for \$400.

The Commission's job descriptions were discussed and updated. Genesta will continue as Chair. RuthAnne will continue as Vice Chair. Wendy will continue as Treasurer and will also serve as Grant Program Coordinator. Jan will continue as Secretary. Julie will serve as Chair for the Town owned Art Collection Inventory Project. Chris and Jan will also be on the Town owned Art Collection Inventory Project Committee.

The meeting schedule for the year was discussed. The CEAC will continue to meet the second Tuesday of every month. There will be no meetings scheduled in July and August.

Wendy will draft an announcement of the Fall Art Grant. The Grant will be awarded in January.

Wendy reviewed the budget. It was discussed that we should budget one Grant for \$500 and use the remainder of the budget for annual community museum passes. The current community passes are with the Portland Museum of Art, The Maine Historical Society, and the Victorian Mansion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Janice Reale, CEAC Secretary
September 9, 2009