Present:
Eve Chandler, History Comm.
David Hale, Chair
Sandy Harthorn
Margaret Hepworth, Exec. Comm
Jane Lloyd, VAAC
Jody Ochoa

Excused:
Maryanne Jordan, Council Liaison
John Sahlberg
Stephenson Youngerman

Staff:
Terri Schorzman, Director
Karen Bubb, Public Arts Manager
Janelle Wilson, Administration

MEETING MINUTES

Bubb presented the Linen District public art project proposal by Brown & Cole.

Motion:
Ochoa moved to approve the Linen District project proposal by Brown & Cole providing that an appropriate location for the artwork can be established. Hepworth seconded.
Motion carried.
MEMO
TO: Mayor Bieter, Council President Maryanne Jordan, Jade Riley & Arts & History Commissioners
FR: Terri Schorzman
RE: Monthly Report

GENERAL
Budget: N/A
Personnel/contracts: At the end of the month, Janelle told us she has decided to move to Los Angeles. We’re very sad to see her go. She has been a real asset to the Department. We’ll miss her. I’ll begin the replacement process soon.
Planning: Staff had a planning retreat to review our plan for the next two years. It was productive.

INTERNAL/ ADMIN/ COMMUNICATIONS
Karen and I took the new DFA director and key staff on a tour of our public art collection. This showed them the investment the City has made in developing such an excellent collection. We plan to do similar tours for other City departments.

COLLABRATION/ OUTREACH
I met with several neighborhood representatives regarding ideas for Neighborhood Reinvestment Grants; with representatives from the Boise School District about a potential partnership project/grant application; with a group working on the Central Addition historic preservation project; with representatives from the BSU Arts and Humanities Institute; with representatives from the Mexican Consulate and Idaho Commission on the Arts; and attended a Heritage Partners Cultural Resource Coordinating Meeting.

PROJECTS
- Much follow-up from the Mayor’s Awards (letters, etc).
- Fettucine Forum season began with a wonderful presentation by professor Cheryl Hindrichs. Very compelling and thoughtful.
- The first session of our new educational series [Be Creative | Be Practical] – on insurance from Fractured Atlas – took place this month. The next is on November 1 and is “Bookkeeping for Creative People.” The next will be on November 15, “the Artist Reinvented,” with Anne Wescott. The sessions begin at 6:00 in the Foothills Room at City Hall.
- Brandi’s master’s degree project, which resulted in a book, will receive an award from Idaho Smart Growth on November 10.

IN THE NEWS
October 2011
PUBLIC ART

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Traffic Box Art Artists: NEW BOXES COMPLETED! The last four new boxes are completed. See attached news release.

Hobble Creek Park: Amber Conger completed “Zepher,” a vertical public art project in Hobble Creek Park that acts as a wind vane and landmark.

HIGHLIGHTED UPDATE

Idaho Ice World: $24,000, fourteen applicants. Panel met on October 12th. Finalists are Reham Aarti, Will Spearman and Sue Latta as a team, and Byron Folwell. Proposals are due in December.

City Hall Plaza: $200,000 (CCDC providing an additional $100,000 to match City contribution), Deadline was October 26th. 44 artists applied (a record for permanent projects). Panel will meet in November to choose finalists.

IN PROCESS

Linen District Panel Selection: $40,000 budget. Funded by CCDC and Boise City. Brown and Cole’s project and has received the necessary approvals. See attached proposal.

Percent for Art Projects in Process:

- Spanish Village Memorial Plan: Dwaine Carver, $10,000
- Hyatt Wetlands Bat Habitat: Mark Baltes, $10,000
- 30th Street Branding, Cultural Plan, Initial public artwork: Stephanie Inman, $20,000
- Marianne Williams Park, $60,000. Bubb toured park and is initiating project start
- Game Board for Williams Park: Reham Aarti, $150, under fabrication

Public Works-Greening of the Grove: Plan B approach is being determined.

Artists-in-Residence: New artists will be showing their stuff on First Thursday.

Parks: Wind Art Project: Waiting for Bloch Foundation approval of Mark Baltes design.

Pioneer Corridor: Norie Sato, artist on the Walker Macy team chosen in 2000, is working on a design for granite pavers for Pioneer Corridor.

BVC Banners for Downtown: Staff is working with DBA to create 100 banners featuring Boise Visual Chronicle as part of our education program.
SUMMARY
As usual, the History Division has worked on a variety of projects this last month and several projects for next month. See below for a quick summary of the highlights.

CURRENT & PAST PROJECTS/ EVENTS
Jensen Farm: Entry of Jensen farm artifacts and documents into Proficio. Collection numbers over 700.
Boise Wood Products: Oral History with owner of the Boise Wood Products Company, which was originally founded in the 1800s by Anton Goreczky.
A&H website: Adding history content

FUTURE PROJECTS/ EVENTS
Fettuccine Forum: “Dia de los Muertos”
Grow Smart Awards: Attending this year event because department historian Brandi Burns’ master’s project is being honored in the citizen advocacy category.
History location brochure: preparing sites and research for an upcoming brochure of history locations, modeled after the public art brochure.

ATTACHMENTS
SUMMARY
RE-ART, Arts & Culture at the Depot, Boise 150, Local Arts Index, PACC Grant program, Cultural Resource Guide, Boise Celebrates Good Neighbors, Workshops

CURRENT PROJECTS/ EVENTS

RE-ART (Arts for Kids) – RE-ART programs continues in November with a “Hillbilly Jug Band” program, “in which children make music using everyday household items.” RE-ART runs through May 2012. You can view or download the flyer from this link: http://www.boiseartsandhistory.org/cultural-programs/education-workshops/reart/

Arts & Culture at the Depot – Schedule available on department website. Go to the month listed on the site: http://www.boiseartsandhistory.org/opportunities/boise-depot/

Boise 150 – Working with Terri, Brandi Burns, History Committee, and consultant to develop a solid strategy for the 2013 Sesquicentennial.

Local Arts Index (LAI) – Waiting for summary information and analyses that was expected in October 2011; current plan is still to submit news releases about the program by end of calendar year or early 2012.

Performing Arts for Cultural & Community Celebrations (PACC) grant program
All funds distributed for fiscal year 2011. Working with Terri to strategize for 2012.

Cultural Resource Guide – 20,000 printed and started distribution October 4! We have ads planned for the airport (November 2011 through January 2012), Treasure magazine in the Idaho Statesman and companion ads (November 2011), and periodic mention in our Boise Weekly regular ads. The mobile site is ready – still tweaking a few things, but has all the info. See: boiseculturalresourceguide.org on your smart phone or iPad.

Boise Celebrates Good Neighbors – Great success for first Good Neighbor Day held at the Boise Public Library on September 28. More than 80 people present and Mayor Bieter distributed awards to those good neighbors nominated by people in their community. For more information about Boise Celebrates Good Neighbors, visit: http://goodneighbors.cityofboise.org/

Workshops – Partnering with the Idaho Commission on the Arts for this series to help promote and with expenses (and contracts). The October workshops were very helpful. Emily Gray, from Fractured Atlas in NYC, presented insurance information for artists, performers, and organizations. The other programs outlined for this fall include:
- November 1: Erika McGinnis presents information on bookkeeping for creative people.
- November 15: Anne Wescott presents a program to help the evolutionary re-invention that many artists and performers go through.

Find more information at http://www.boiseartsandhistory.org/cultural-programs/education-workshops/education-workshops/