



CITY OF LYNNWOOD ARTS COMMISSION

**RETREAT MINUTES
NOVEMBER 11, 2017 10AM-3PM
LYNN HANSON GALLERY**

10. CALL TO ORDER at 10:00 am

20. ROLL CALL

X	Elizabeth Lunsford, Chair		Shirley Sutton, Council Liaison
X	Beverly White		
X	Craig van den Bosch	X	Fred Wong, Community Programs Coordinator (CPC)
X	Robert Gutcheck		
E	Paul Richards		
X	Lynn Hanson, Secretary		
X	Adam Segalla, Vice Chair		

30. CITIZEN COMMENTS - NONE

40. BUSINESS ITEMS

40.1 Review of 2017

Artist Wraps:

Fall/Winter 2017 Inside Lynnwood City wide newsletter had a good article that talked about signal box public art wraps. It's a good summary of how the program has grown since our first wrap. In 2016 the first wrap was installed 196th & Scriber Lake Rd featuring art made by Cedar Valley School students. In 2017 there were 3 wraps installed.

- Interurban Trail by Alderwood Mall Blvd & 40th. The wrap featured bicycle art by artist Amy Pleasant and historical photos of the trolley; the box is a partnership with the History & Heritage Board. Funded by the Mayor's Community Vision Initiative
- Wilcox Park. The wrap featured art created by Cedar Valley School students. Funded in part by Edmonds Arts Festival Foundation grant.
- Hwy 99 & 212th. Fire protection and history theme. Art by Allan Carandang. Another partnership with the History & Heritage Board. Funded in part by Snohomish Community Heritage Program grant.

There are 4 additional wraps that started its planning in 2017.

- Sister City Wrap- CPC Wong is working on a design featuring Damyang bamboo on one side and old growth forest on the other side.
- Edmonds Community College would like to collaborate on working on a wrap project with their students' participation. C. Gutcheck suggested having this wrap partner with the Edmonds corridor project.
- Edmonds Arts Festival Foundation is interested in sponsoring a wrap design by students.
- History and Heritage Board is interesting in collaborating on a fun wrap about Lynnwood's history around the 1980 when Lynnwood was known for big hair and blue eyeshadow.

The commissioners discussed possible partnerships and funding options for more wraps. The idea of using the same wrap design for multiple signal boxes was discussed as an option.

The public is invited to attend. Parking and meeting rooms are accessible for persons with disabilities. Contact the City at 670-5502 with 24-hours advance notice for special accommodations.

Galleries:

The commissioners credited the gallery committee for their excellent work this past year. Lynnwood Library Gallery was closed early 2016. Since then 4 gallery spaces were created; City Hall Lobby, City Hall Chamber Hallway, Recreation Center and Senior Center.

- City Hall exhibits started to feature topics about social issues. This past year featured a Veterans exhibit created by a local artist. There was feedback from the public about how powerful and moving the exhibit was, and how it was honor to feature it during Veteran's Day. C. Hanson and C. Gutcheck Robert said they were happy to continue with helping with City Hall exhibits next year.
- City Hall Chamber Hallway has been successfully curated by the Korean American Artists Association of Washington State (KAAW). KAAW has donated their time and lent pieces from their members to display in the hallway in City Hall going to the Chambers.
- Senior Center Gallery, C Lunsford and History and Heritage Board Member Cheri Ryan completed and displayed the demonstration farm exhibit in Senior Center. The exhibit has been well received and been used as an educational destination to learn about local history.
- Lynnwood Recreation Center Youth Art Exhibits were very well received but very time consuming for CPC Wong to curate and coordinate the artists. C Richards and C Van Den Bosch volunteered their time in helping install the youth art exhibits for 2017.

The commissioners discussed other venues and possible partnerships for more gallery spaces. C. White suggested that there should be more marketing to get word out about the exhibits. CPC. Wong mentioned that information about the exhibits can be found on <http://www.lynnwoodwa.gov/PlayLynnwood/Arts>.

Public Art:

The commissioners discussed the partnerships and collaboration projects in the past year that helped Lynnwood to have more public art.

- City Center Apartment's public art was installed in 2017. The developers of City Center Apartments worked with an Art Commission ad-hoc committee to create a call for artist. The commission helped picked the artist from the call for artist submissions.
- A mural or similar artwork was included in the budget for the 36th Ave Construction Plan. The plan included design requirements created by a partnership between City Public Works and an Art Commission ad-hoc team to design a mural placement in a retaining wall.
- Bright Walks was a Love Lynnwood project painted on 194th St SW by Veterans Park.

Public Engagement and Events:

The commissioners discussed past and planned project to increase public engagement to Lynnwood's creative community.

- Created an online interactive map of Lynnwood art and historical locations; www.DiscoverLynnwood.com.
- Collaborated with Lynnwood Library to create community coloring sheets.
- The Lynnwood Library requested a Lynnwood Art commission help judge the best book you have read poster contest.
- Hosted Button maker at a local Purim Festival
- Hosted Button maker at the Fair on 44th.
- Supported Ubuntu and the Afro Latino Festival
- Successful Shakespeare in the Park series at Lynndale Park
- Created the idea and planned for a Lynnwood Art of Food and Wine Event
- Created the idea and planned for Eggs-plore Lynnwood.

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- Artist Public Reception. The art commission decided that instead of hosting our own artist reception, it is more effective to help promote the Lynnwood Convention Center's artist receptions they hold twice a year.
- Creating and maintaining liaisons positions. The art commission has liaisons to the Human Services Commission, Friends of Lynnwood Library, History and Heritage board.
- Tee Shirt Contest- The winner of the 2017 design was very well received. The People's choice award for 2018 has already been voted on at the fair on 44th and on Facebook.
- C van den Bosch suggested a "connect with your neighbors" tool kit

The commissioners discussed the ideas of having a docent that could give tours of our exhibits and act as a liaison to the school districts.

40.2 Planning for 2018

C.Lunsford suggests having a retreat earlier in the year next year to do long term planning. The commissioner reviewed the current projects in work that included wraps, galleries and planned events. The commission then discussed new projects for 2018.

- The Art of Food and Wine Event. The ad-hoc committee is working with David LeClaire to have an event in February. CPC Wong is working with the Parks and Recreation Foundation as the non-profit partner and fiscal agent. The commissioners spent time discussing the logistics and planning for the event.
- S Lynnwood Park is planned to get a major renovation funded by a grant from Trust for Public Land. CPC Wong will be involved with this project and act as the liaison to for the Art Commission feedback and suggestions.
- CPC Wong announced the City was contacted by private donor who is interested in putting a big I Love Lynnwood Sign somewhere in town.
- Love Lynnwood Projects are a way to encourage our community members to create fun interactions to engage the public, like art, games. Love Your Block projects are a way to encourage community members to do a community project with their neighbors. C. Van den Bosch expressed interest in a little library workshop as possible on of these projects.
- New Partnerships. The commissioners discussed ways to create sustainable partnerships. C. Van Den Bosch expressed interest in partnering with Cascadia Art Museum.

50. **FUTURE BUSINESS** - The commissioners agreed to continue the discussion of 2018 planning at one of the next Art Commission meetings.

60. **ADJOURNMENT**

Tour of the Tashiro Kaplan Building with the Committee, adjourned 3:00 PM