



## **Arts Commission Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, October 23, 2023**

Lakewold Gardens, Wagner House

12317 Gravelly Lake Drive SW Lakewood, WA 98499

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Arts Commission Members Present: Emily Feleen-Chair, Earl Borgert-Vice Chair, Shauna Alexander, Sylvi Estrella, Paige Hansen, Laura Martinez, Lani Neil, Darryl Owens, Lua Pritchard, Phil Raschke, Adriana Serrienne, Susan Warner.

Staff Present: Sally Martinez- Recreation Coordinator, Nikki York- Office Assistant

Youth Council Liaison Present: None

City Council Liaison Present: Patti Belle

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The Commission began with a group photo. Sally Martinez thanked Susan Warner for allowing the retreat to be held at Lakewold Gardens. Sally welcomed the new members Shauna Alexander and Laura Martinez. Each Commission member introduced themselves. During introductions, Sally said how long each member had served on the Commission. Sally introduced the guest speaker Tyler Budge, who has taught Art at UW Tacoma for twenty years.

### **GROUP ACTIVITY- *Exploring Personal Art Preferences***

The Commission members each submitted a piece of art which was displayed. Each member had to try to guess which member submitted it. Each member then told the story of why their art piece resonated with them.

### **DINNER**

### **TRUSTING IN THE PROCESS PRESENTATION**

Tyler Budge spoke about the creative process and gave numerous examples. Some of

the main take-aways from the Tyler were:

1. Creativity means not being afraid of failure.
2. Selecting art isn't about personal preference, *it's about listening to the story.*
3. When selecting art, in terms of the long-term time frame, its relevance can't be predicted.
4. The creative process can't be worked through by command, but through conversation.
5. Remember these 3 words: Intention, context and audience.

### **GROUP ACTIVITY-*Trusting in the process***

Tyler led the Commission through a hands-on sculpting activity using mashed potatoes to create a memorial for the Boys in the Boat. He reiterated that when selecting public art, it is about listening to the story.

### **REVIEW OF CITY OF LAKEWOOD ART POLICY**

Tabled until next meeting.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Arts Commission is scheduled for Monday, November 6, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Emily Feleen

Emily Feleen (Feb 13, 2024 10:53 PST)

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Emily Feleen, Chair

Sally Martihez

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Sally Martihez, Recreation Coordinator