



Medway Cultural Council Art Programming Subcommittee
September 22 meeting

Meeting started: 7:10 pm

Meeting ended: 9:10 pm

Present:

Members: Gail Hachenberg, Jordan Warnick, Kim Blenkhorn, Becky Atwood, Joanne Williams, Jennifer Kendall

Nonmembers: Julie Denehy, Carol Cohen

1. Carol Cohen (website - www.carolcohen.com) introduced her historically based programs about Eleanor Roosevelt. Her program includes a portrayal of Eleanor as well as a powerpoint presentation. Her programs can be done virtually. She plans to apply for a grant once the grant cycle opens on October 1.
2. Approval of Minutes from August meeting - Gail moved, Jordan seconded. Approved.
3. Gail talked about the COASST program from the last meeting. She attended the open rehearsal on zoom, and found the program to be stunning, moving, and professional. It probably falls more in line with mental health therapy. Gail explained that she put COASST in contact with multiple other town organizations to get funding for their program. Julie gave some additional contacts - THRIVE, MSPTO, MFE.
4. Gail explained that a virtual studio tour for artists is being developed along with efforts from Jennifer, Judith, and Fran Hutton Lee.
5. Gail mentioned that a replacement for a paint night has been arranged (Carol Vogel), in case the council wants to go forth with making that a reality.
6. Joanne talked about the Bridges project. Julie mentioned that the Diversity Committee and the Medway Business Council could be helpful in terms of culturally sensitive guidance and money for signs, respectively. Ideas for bridge identities include (but not limited to)
 - A boots and hat bridge
 - Poetry bridge
 - An educational bridge that talks about land use/private vs public
 - A farm bridge
 - A nature interpretation bridge
 - A wildlife preservation bridge
 - A newcomers bridge
 - A volunteer celebration bridge
 - A pet memorial bridge
 - A historically based, culturally sensitive bridge acknowledging the native american use of the land
 - Billy Goat Bridge that bridges languages through fairy tales

7. Jordan talked about the Sister Cities program. He talked with the secretary of the organization. Getting involved officially with the program would necessitate a long term relationship between cities and signed off at the highest official level. Questions about the benefit of doing the program versus the cost/time commitment emerged. It was decided that Jordan will look into small town experiences with the program and see what they found to be beneficial. Cultural exchange, however, is always a good thing, and it may end up being decided to be done at an unofficial level first with artistic exchanges.
8. Jennifer talked about the artist spotlight series. She will be handing over responsibilities to the marketing/media subcommittee to help with the tasks. Kim offered to contact artists to participate in the spotlight.
9. Gail mentioned that a meeting is happening later in the week with Julie Harrington to discuss having an art outside session - an opportunity for people to make art together safely outside.
10. Gail talked about the art packets being developed with Judith Moffatt to give to the library for children.
11. Canman's live painting series was mentioned to have been completed.
12. A discussion of an artistically designed mask is postponed until the next meeting.
13. Jordan discussed a poster idea to have various places and spaces in town drawn by artists.
14. Gail noted that she is going to wait until after the November election to get in contact with the post office about the memorial benches. It was noted that moving those benches could wait until closer to next year's September 11.
15. Kim's idea of an artist journal was discussed. Mailing was determined to be optimal.
16. Julie discussed the Lions' Peace poster art contest. The contest runs through late October.
17. Jordan brought up the idea of a virtual talent contest.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 with a motion made by Gail and seconded by Jordan.

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