**Kirkwood Arts Commission**

**Minutes**

**Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:00PM**

**Kirkwood Community Center**

**Attendance: Zoe Perkins, April Morris, Rachel Brandt, Glenda Hares, Erika Whittaker, Mary Butkus, Kyle Henke (City Liaison), Art McDonnell (KAF), Liz Gibbons (City Council Liaison)**

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS** *(3 minute time limit. The public comment portion of the meeting is an opportunity to listen to comments from citizens. It is not a question and answer session and the Commission will not respond to comments or answer questions during the comment period. The Chairperson may refer any matter to staff or hold discussion during the “Other Matters” section of the meeting).*

Rick Duplissie attended to announce that he won a raffle the Missouri Mainstreet project funded by Missouri Arts Council. He would like to donate the 8x12 mural by the Aritist, Arcy to the City of Kirkwood. The theme has yet to be determined and is flexible. One suggestion was clocks.There was discussion on where this work could be placed. It could be done on a wood panel which would be moveable. The artist website is arcyofficial.com.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 2024 MEETING MINUTES**

April moved to begin meeting. Erika moved to pass minutes. Minutes were passed.

1. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
   1. **Kirkwood Arts Foundation:** Art reported that KAF is ready to dispense money to Making Music Concert Series.
   2. **Making Music:** Season is lined up. InDesign has been purchased on a month-to-month basis so Erika can complete the brochure. The design will be the same layout as last year. The committee is meeting again in April to discuss a final plan. April asked what print materials are being ordered. Erika answered Ads, brochures and posters.
   3. **MACAA Report:** No report.
   4. **Gallery Program at KPAC:** Summer show will showcase Don Marquez, a nationally known photographer, Joe Renard, a painter and Marian Steen, a mixed media artist. The Summer Opening Reception is May 22 and will run through August 10, 4-7pm.

Zoe mentioned that Katherine Feld asked to extend the window display for another few months and the committee agreed it was time to close that portion of the exhibition. The Summer artists had all been accepted.

* 1. **Outdoor Public Art:** The Mensch invoices have been sent through. Kyle reported that the city check has been sent and Art reported that the KAF check will now be sent. Bids for engineering and installation are being finalized. Lighting and electrical till needs to be resolved. Storage also needs to be decided.   
       
     April and Zoe presented suggested label verbiage for the Mensch sculpture The Commission decided on two examples. Zoe will submit to Russ for input.   
       
     Kyle reported that the area around of Argonne and Clay will change to be a safer crosswalk for pedestrians. Therefore, the Brother Mel statue needs to be moved by March of 2025. More discussion to come. Kyle will get more details from contractors.  
       
     Art reported that Julie Mosby has agreed, in collaboration with the Garden Club, to plant flowers in Bisso Park.
  2. **Communications Committee:** Mary reported that the committee plans to have their first meeting in May.

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. **Cars & Guitars:** We need a chair person to lead the volunteers and man set up and take down. The event is at June 8, booth needs to be set up by 3:00pm. Zoe and April made the suggestion to give away the beads and pins this year instead of charging for them like in years past. The Commission agreed.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Other Matters:** Nothing to report.

1. **KPAC GM Report**
   1. **Upcoming Events:** Nothing to report.
2. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Meeting Date –May 21, 2024**

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**Chair:** Zoe Perkins

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