



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
**DEPARTMENT OF  
ARTS & CULTURE**

**San Antonio Arts Commission  
Performing Arts, Film and Music Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

**June 14, 2024  
11:00 AM  
Webex**

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Suhail Arastu (Mayoral), Chair	Mark Rogers (D10)	Stacey Norton
Maria Williams (D2)	Irene Chavez Galvan	Kimberly LeBlanc
Carlos Alvarez		Christoph Michaud
Christopher Branca		Christine Hill (Liaison)
Theresa Coronado		Christina Hernandez
Doren Fein		Krystal Jones
Cory McRae		
Alexandra Perez		
Jenny Tavarez		

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

Meeting called to order at 11:09 AM by Suhail Arastu.

Roll call was taken by Christine Hill, Committee Liaison, and a quorum was established.

**1. Meeting Minutes**

*Motion:* Doren Fein set forth a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the April 9, 2024 meeting. Theresa Coronado seconded the motion.

*Public Comments:* None

*Discussion:* None

*Vote:* Aye: Arastu, Williams, Alvarez, Branca, Coronado, Fein, McRae, Perez, Tavarez

Absent: Rogers, Galvan

Motion passed.

## **2. Film Festival Funding (Action)**

Kimberly LeBlanc provided an overview of the Film Festival Funding guidelines and explained the goal of the program is to increase investment in the local film culture in San Antonio as laid out by the Film Strategic plan. Four applications were received this cycle and were reviewed by a panel comprised of Performing Arts, Film and Music Committee members. Based on these reviews and Executive review of the results, staff recommendation is to fund all four film festival at the full 20% of total festival budget amount as set forth by the program guidelines.

*Motion:* Carlos Alvarez set forth a motion to approve the Film Festival Funding Recommendations for FY 25-FY27. Alexandra Perez seconded the motion.

*Public Comments:* None

*Discussion:* None

*Vote:* Aye: Arastu, Williams, Alvarez, Branca, Coronado, Fein, McRae, Perez, Tavaréz

Absent: Rogers, Galvan

Motion passed.

## **3. Local Music Spotlight (Briefing)**

Hill provided an update on the increased submission rate due to program improvements and increased marketing efforts. To date, a total of 36 complete submissions have been received to the first two rounds of the program. The first round awarded eight honorariums and the second round panel review is wrapping up with another eight songs expected to be awarded the honorarium. The third and final round of FY 24 will be open or submission from Tuesday, June 18 – Tuesday, August 6.

*Public Comments:* None

*Committee Discussion:* Coronado informed that the University of the Incarnate Word has an online radio station that would possibly be a good partner or outlet for additional promotion of the program and its musician participants.

## **Announcements and Reports**

### **Make Music Day**

Hill invited committee members to join in one of the many city-wide Make Music Day celebrations happening on June 21, 2024. To date, there will be 12 unique locations hosting events for this year's event including an all-day (10am-10pm) activation hosted in partnership by the Department of Arts & Culture and Texas Public Radio, Musical Bridges Around the World's Youth Summer Showcase at the Instituto Cultural de Mexico, Alamo City Arts presenting Mariachi Gallos de Oro performing with the Fiesta Noche del Rio dancers and a performance by the Memory Lane Dance Band at San Antonio Botanical Gardens, DJ Mr. G. at Luminaria's pop-up gallery in St. Paul Square, The AM Project at Hemisfair, the Classical Music Institute's 210 Festival Student Concert at the Edgewood Theatre of Performing Arts, OPERA San Antonio with the Classical Music Institute) hosting "Explore Opera for

Kids” at San Antonio Public Library’s Parman Branch, and the Children's Chorus of San Antonio performing “Sounds of Summer” at the Tobin Center. All Make Music Day events are free and open to the public.

### **CineFestival**

LeBlanc provided an overview and invitation to the 45<sup>th</sup> annual CineFestival happening at the Carver Community Cultural Center and Alamo Drafthouse due to the renovations happening at the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center. CineFestival will take place July 11-14, 2024. As an addition to the festival’s programming, the San Antonio Film Commission will host a Coffee Talk on July 12, from 11am – 1pm in the Carver’s Jo Long Theater lobby. This event will be free and open to the public.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Committee members announces upcoming events for their organizations.

### **Adjournment:**

*Motion:* A motion was set forth by Alvarez to adjourn the meeting. Christopher Branca seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:36 AM.