



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

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

**October 30, 2024
1:00 PM
Webex**

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Suhail Arastu (Mayoral), Chair	Maria Williams (D2)	Stacey Norton
Mark Rogers (D10)	Carlos Alvarez	Kimberly LeBlanc
Alexandra Perez		Ellen Goos-Hockaday
Christopher Branca		Karen Dlugolz
Theresa Coronado		Christine Hill (Liaison)
Doren Fein		
Cory McRae		
Jenny Tavarez		
Irene Chavez Galvan*		

Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 1:03 PM by Suhail Arastu.

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

1. Meeting Minutes

Motion: Fein set forth a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the June 14, 2024 meeting. Rogers seconded the motion.

Public Comments: None

Discussion: None

Vote: Aye: Arastu, Rogers, Branca, Coronado, Fein, McRae, Perez, Tavarez

Absent: Williams, Alvarez, Galvan

Motion passed.

2. Funding Recommendations for FY 2025 Production Costs Grants for Organizations (Briefing)

Goos-Hockaday provided committee members with an overview of the FY 2025 Production Cost Grants for Organizations, part of the Department of Arts & Culture's Performing Arts Strategic Plan. Goos-Hockaday explained the program is funded through the City of San Antonio's ticketing revenues and not part of the FY 2025 City Budget, max award amount is \$15,000, and the approved expenses that funds may be used towards. After providing a timeline of the FY 2025 grant timelines, Goos-Hockaday briefed that 20 organizations applied for the grant and all 20 applicants were recommended for funding. A list of grantees receiving funding was provided to the committee.

Public Comments: None

Committee Discussion: None

Due to technical difficulties with the presenter's microphone, the agenda was amended to change the order and Item 4. FY24 Music Program Recap and FY25 Initiatives (Briefing) was presented ahead of Item 3. Funding Recommendations for FY 2024 Production Costs Grants for Artists (Briefing). Item 3. Funding Recommendations for FY 2024 Production Costs Grants was heard after the presenter's microphone was fixed.

3. FY24 Music Program Recap and FY25 Initiatives (Briefing)

Hill provided committee members a recap of the Department of Arts & Culture's FY 2024 music program initiatives including performance metrics on the Local Music Spotlight program and the Department of Arts & Culture's inaugural year of organizing the City of San Antonio's participation in the global Make Music Day event. Hill briefed committee members on continuing and new music initiatives for FY 2025 including continuation of funding for the Local Music Spotlight program, the City's continued participation in global Make Music Day, and the first time sponsorship of KLRN's City Showdown digital music program that aligns with the Department of Arts & Culture's Music Strategic Plan.

Public Comments: None

Committee Discussion: None

4. Funding Recommendations for FY 2025 Production Costs Grants for Artists (Briefing)

Goos-Hockaday provided committee members with an overview of the FY 2025 Production Cost Grants for Artists, part of the Department of Arts & Culture's Performing Arts Strategic Plan. Goos-Hockaday explained that the program is funded through the City of San Antonio's ticketing revenues and not part of the FY 2025 City Budget, max award amount is \$7,500, and the approved expenses that funds may be used towards. After providing a timeline of the FY 2025 grant timelines, Goos-Hockaday briefed that 12 artists applied for the grant and 10 applicants were recommended for funding. A list of grantees receiving funding was provided to the committee.

Public Comments: None

Committee Discussion:

5. Film Festival Funding Updates (Briefing)

LeBlanc provided committee members with an overview of the four local film festivals that receive funding through the Department of Arts & Culture's Film Festival Funding program, part of the Department of Arts & Culture's Film Strategic Plan. Three of the four festivals have already occurred in calendar year 2024 and the Marketing, Film and Music division of the Department of Arts & Culture has hosted a networking event at each, with plans to host an additional networking event at the fourth film festival in January 2025.

Public Comments: None

Committee Discussion:

6. Film San Antonio Updates (Briefing)

LeBlanc provided committee members of an overview of recent film productions and screenings in San Antonio. LeBlanc included estimated economic impact data and media coverage.

Public Comments: None

Committee Discussion: Coronado inquired about local hires on recent film productions. LeBlanc provided preliminary data that is available. Staff to follow up once a comprehensive data set is available from the Texas Film Commission.

Announcements and Reports

UTSA New BA Program (Announcement)

LeBlanc provided announcement that the University of Texas is launching a new Bachelor of the Arts program in Dramatic Arts & Technology in Fall 2025.

Upcoming Event – Holidays on Houston (Announcement)

Norton highlighted signature events of the 2nd Annual Holidays on Houston Street taking place in downtown San Antonio November 29, 2024 – January 2, 2025. Norton invited committee members to the event and provided the website to learn more.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Committee members announced upcoming events for their organizations.

Adjournment:

Motion: A motion was set forth by Fein to adjourn the meeting. Chavez-Galvan seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:51 PM.