



Arts & Beautification Commission Meeting Agenda

February 28, 2024 - 5:30 PM

**City Council Chambers, City Hall, 3rd Floor,
1528 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL**

1. Call to Order

Recommended Motion: Move to Call to Order the February 28, 2024 Arts & Beautification Commission meeting

2. Roll Call

Chris Conwell, Jodie Kavensky, Amber Williams, Meghan Hollister, Mollie Owens, Michael Beale, Tara Malnar, Dionna Reed

3. Public Comment

4. Minutes

- a. Approval of the January 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes

5. Old Business

None

6. Other Business/New Business

- a. Approval of the 2024 Annual Arts Action Plan

7. Adjourn

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Rock Island Arts & Beautification Commission Minutes

Rock Island City Council Chambers, third floor

1528 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201

January 24, 2024

5:30 PM



Voting Members Present	Chris Conwell Jodie Kavensky Amber Williams Meghan Hollister Mollie Owens Michael Beale Tara Malnar
Voting Members Absent	Noreen Lokus Dionna Reed
Staff Present	Kathryn Douglass Tanner Osing
Guests	Kevin Maynard

Call to Order and Roll Call

Temporary Chair Tanner Osing called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and read the roll call.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Approval of the November 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Meghan Hollister moved to approve the minutes for November 15, 2023 Arts Commission. Michael Beale seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a vote of 7 to 0.

Approval of the December 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Michael Beale moved to approve the minutes for December 18, 2023 Beautification Commission. Meghan Hollister seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a vote of 7 to 0.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Introduction presentation on the Arts & Beautification Commission

Staff presented an overview of the commission's responsibilities, the use of Roberts rules for meetings, and OMA requirements

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Jodie Kavensky moved to approve the election of Amber Williams as Chair. Michael Beale seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a vote of 7 to 0.

Amber Williams moved to approve the election of Chris Conwell as Vice Chair. Jodie Kavensky seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a vote of 7 to 0.

Approval of the 2024 meeting schedule

Jodie Kavensky moved to approve the 2024 meeting schedule with an amended change from June 19, 2024 to June 12, 2024. Tara Malnar seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a vote of 7 to 0.

Discussion of the 2024 Annual Arts Action Plan

Kevin Maynard reviewed last year's Arts Action Plan successes with the commission. He also suggested that the 2024 the Arts Action Plan include a repair to the sculpture "Note", which needs sandblasting and repainting. He also reviewed the commission's future involvement with providing feedback on mural designs for Arts Alley.

Adjournment

Chair Amber Williams asked for a motion to adjourn. Jodie Kavensky moved to adjourn. Meghan Hollister seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a vote of 7 to 0 at 7:06 PM.

Minutes submitted by Kathryn Douglass.

Memorandum

To: Rock Island Arts & Beautification Commission
From: Kathryn Douglass, GIS Specialist
Subject: Approval of the 2024 Annual Arts Action Plan
Date: February 28, 2024



Introduction and Background Information:

Quad City Arts prepares the 2024 Arts Action Plan as part of their 2024 Arts Services Agreement with the City of Rock Island.

Previous Council Action (if any):

Rock Island City Council approves an Annual Arts Action Plan after it has been recommended for approval by the Arts & Beautification Commission.

Budget Impact:

The amount budgeted for 2024 Art Services is \$22,500.00.

Additional Information as applicable (i.e. provide alternative options, community or staff input, staffing impact; resident impact; etc.):

Council Goal (if applicable):

Recommendation:

The Arts and Beautification Commission recommends approval of the 2024 Arts Action Plan by City Council.

Submitted by: Kathryn Douglass, GIS Specialist

Approved by: Miles Brainard, Director



Art Program Services Annual Work Plan 2024

Public Sculpture 2024-2025

Summary of Project:

The Quad City Arts Public Sculpture Program places sculptures in public places on a rotating basis. Annually sculptures are installed in June. The City of Rock Island will have four sculptures in 2024.

- **Quarter 1:** Call for Sculpture is open and Quad City Arts is actively advertising the call and reaching out to artists.
- **Quarter 2:** Submitted Sculptures are organized into a digital database and distributed to the Arts Commission. The Arts Commission, with the assistance of Quad City Arts, selects sculptures and sculpture locations. Quad City Arts coordinates and executes the de-installation of the previous year's sculptures and the installation of the current year's sculptures.
- **Quarter 3:** Ensure sculptures have new plaques and are uploaded onto the Quad City Arts website, City of Rock Island website, and Visit Quad Cities website.
- **Quarter 4:** Open Call for Sculpture for the 2025-2026 season.

On this project we will be collaborating with the Rock Island Arts Commission, City of Rock Island, and Visit Quad Cities

Total Estimated Expenditure for Public Sculpture: \$9,800



(Above Sculptures were installed in June 2023 and will remain on display until June 2024)

Quad Cities' Chalk Art Fest 2024: June 22 – 23, Schwiebert Park

Summary of Project:

Quad City Arts will host our annual Chalk Art Fest, a two-day event, in Schwiebert Park. This event is free to attend and includes live music, live chalk art (including a youth category), and a community art piece. Artists can participate for free and are provided an event shirt and their first box of chalk at no cost.

- **Quarter 1:** Planning begins which includes reserving the park, booking the bands, ordering supplies, etc.
- **Quarter 2:** Planning continues, and artist sign-up begins.
- **Quarter 3:** Chalk Art Fest is held in Rock Island! Over \$1,500 in cash prizes will be awarded, 6+ local bands will be paid to perform, and thousands of people will gather in Downtown Rock Island.

On this project we will be collaborating with the Rock Island Arts Commission, Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce, City of Rock Island, and Visit Quad Cities.

Total Estimated Expenditures for Chalk Art Fest: \$12,550

Total Allocation from Art Services Agreement: \$4,000

(This costs covers the cost to rent Schwiebert Park and a portion of the pressure washing)



Metro Arts Youth Apprenticeship Program 2024

Summary of Project:

During 2024, we will coordinate another replacement of an outdated mural. Location TBD

- **Quarter 1:** Planning continues, and applications are available online.
- **Quarter 2:** Planning continues, and the Metro Arts Youth Apprenticeship program begins.
- **Quarter 3:** Metro Arts Youth Apprenticeship program ends with a final showcase of the year's program hosted at a venue in Rock Island.
- **Quarter 4:** Planning for the 2025 program begins. This includes finding suitable lead artists, accessible program concepts, writing grants, finding donors, etc.

On this project we will be collaborating with the Rock Island Arts Commission and the Rock Island Downtown Alliance

Total Estimated Expenditures for Metro Arts: \$10,000



(New Mural installed July 2023)

Additional Public Art: Not Included in the Art Services Agreement

Summary of Project:

During 2021, Quad City Arts assisted Jack Cullen (QC Chamber of Commerce), Streamline Architects, and others with public art ideas that were incorporated into the Downtown Rock Island redesign and part of the two grants that were submitted.

During 2024, Quad City Arts will work closely with the Arts Commission to complete the public art concepts that receive funding. Quad City Arts and the Arts Commission will work to get input and feedback from the community with an emphasis on those living and working in the area where the art will be located.

Additional Services:

1. Quad City Arts will continue to look for additional funding opportunities for the City of Rock Island
2. Quad City Arts will explore the funding needed for council-recommended projects, so they may be included in the 2025 City of Rock Island budget discussion.
3. Quad City Arts will continue exploring with DARI, pop-up Artist Markets/Shops, and arts incubators similar to the Shops on Second.

Expenditure Summary:**Total Estimated Expenditures*:**

Public Sculpture Program:	\$9,800
Quad Cities Chalk Art Fest 2024:	\$12,550
Metro Arts Youth Apprenticeship Program:	\$10,000
<u>Additional Services:</u>	<u>\$7,500</u>
Total:	\$39,850

Total Expenditures from Art Services Agreement:

Public Sculpture Program:	\$9,800
Quad Cities Chalk Art Fest 2023:	\$2,700
Metro Arts Youth Apprenticeship Program:	\$10,000
Administration	\$0
<u>Additional Services:</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total:	\$22,500

The total cost of this annual work plan to Quad City Arts is more than the **\$22,500 budgeted** under this Art Services Agreement. The remainder is being made up through our operating budget, soliciting sponsorships, and grant writing.

*Aside from Additional Services, these expenditures do not include staffing costs.