

## **WESTPORT ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Town Hall, room 212D

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

### **THE NEXT MEETING IS, TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2018. TOWN HALL ROOM 212D AT 11:00 AM**

Present: Nancy Diamond, Richard Epstein, Kathie Bennewitz, Miggs Burroughs, Eric Chiang, Lee Goldstein, Sandy Lefkowitz, Deirdre Price, Carole Schweid, Elizabeth Strick.

Absent: Frederic Chiu, John Dodig, Wendy Morgan-Hunter, Kelle Ruden.

### **AGENDA:**

#### **1. TEA Talk**

"The Arts Go Viral" A sub-title to be decided.

Date; Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

After discussion, the event will include the following;

##### **1, The launch of Otocast.**

Judith and someone will speak about the app and a visual of how to use the Otocast App will be demonstrated on screen

##### **2. Virtual streaming of music.**

Frederic will explore how a pianist on a Yamaha Disklavier piano can be streamed to Yamaha Disklavier pianos in different locations around the country. Audiences at these locations will only see the keys on the piano moving to the music.

Richard will speak with Frederic about re-connecting with Yamaha to firm up this segment of the program.

##### **3. "Be More Chill"**

A musical based on Ned Vizzini's book. The production which has gone viral, speaks to, and is performed by young people and expresses the world as they relate to it

Due to enormous success streaming of some songs from the musical on You Tube, the play sold out in a very brief time, and one of its writers has a family connection in Westport.

Nancy will contact the creative team to see if someone can come to this year's TEA Talk.

Sandy will firm up video streaming, sound and mics for the event.

Miggs, will generate save the date for e-blast and post card Nancy, to send Miggs the information.

Eric, will send out an e-blast to the WAAC list, teachers, art groups, and the committee.

Sandy will contact David Pogue to arrange a meeting and firm up his willingness to be moderator for TEA Talk.

Dan Woog has indicated that he will attend and write about this year's TEA Talk

## **2. Otocast**

The next Otocast meeting is Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup> at 9am, room 212D

Deirdre reported that;

Guide 1, is complete

Guide 2, needs tweaking

Guides 3 and 4, are in draft form.

Guide 5, still to be finalized.

There is to be a meeting to discuss guide 5 which will highlight the Towns art collection located within the schools. Two tours are being considered. One would be the lobby outside the Staples auditorium, the second tour would be at Kings Highway. WestPAC would like to include teachers, students and custodial in this project. Kathie and the 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman will join the discussion.

Deirdre reported that Otocast is redesigning its opening page, this will not affect the work that she and Judith have done.

Judith Bacall, will be paid \$3,000 for the development of the next 3 guides [@\$1000], and the remaining 2017-18 will be paid once an invoice is received.

## **3. Other Business**

Horizon award. Committee should let Nancy and Richard know if there is anyone they would like the committee consider.

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Meeting adjourned at 1:20am

Elizabeth Strick  
Secretary