

Westport Public Art Collections (WestPAC)

December 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Public meeting held on Town Zoom

Minutes submitted by Barbara Wang

Attending: Randa Trivisonno, Kathie Bennewitz, Ive Covaci, Charles Rosoff, Anne Boberski, Stephanie Klose, Carla Devillers, Rachel Cohn, Neil Cohn, Barbara Wang

1. Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting November 10, 2021.

2. Committee Update:

- Recruitment update: 5 new members with bios to submit to Westport Arts Advisory at their next meeting. Once approved these will be forwarded to the First Selectman's office for final approval/appointment.

3. Collection Update:

- CTCO access for Committee members: video created by Ive for training - Barbara will email it out with the log in information so members can try it out and give Ive feedback.
- New Acquisitions: Still working on putting a subcommittee together to focus on several tasks in January. We will approach WAC to see if any would like to join as well. Barbara will email our committee at large to request help on this important responsibility.

4. Education Update:

- Learning Galleries -
 - SES has new exhibit: "Expressive Faces!"
 - LLS - CES will switch "Abstraction" and "Still Lives"
 - BMS: rail installation is imminent; working on new art installation for January
 - KHS - CMS: in January "Pop" and "Collage" will move to MOCA... working on new installations.

5. Friends of WestPAC update

- Grant proposals are very active

6. Special Projects Update:

- MOCA show subcommittee -

- Finalizing cuts for the show; will be asking for help with moving works to MOCA. Site Captains should look to fill holes with new works or with labels indicating a work is in the MOCA show/temporarily removed.
- Social Media: will look to make a coordinated effort to promote MOCA show; additionally hope to put advertisement plugs in PTA newsletters
- Labeling: Per Scott Springer, still investigating options
- Senior Center: labeling project
- New Logo: this was not shared during meeting - will be shared to the group at a later date.
- Library Art Education: moving forward - January will have a Lindsay Addario photograph display

7.Representative Site Reports:

- Town Hall: (Anne)
 - Foyer - Sugarman exhibit will be switched out for a Richard Hunt exhibit.
 - First Selectman's office - working with Jen Tooker to select works

8.Additional Business:

- Celebrate Westport: Reese was unable to be at our meeting for update.
- Further discussion of Meeting day/time going forward: this needs to be settled as a new schedule of meetings should be provided to Town in January.
 - First week of January Barbara will send out January meeting reminder AND another brief survey to get Member thoughts on this.

9.Next Meeting : Wednesday January 12th at 7pm (pending Town approval). This meeting will be Virtual. Virtual meetings are sanctioned until April 2022; we will continue to evaluate monthly.