

Westport Public Art Collections (WestPAC)

March 9, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Public meeting held on Town Zoom

Minutes submitted by Barbara Wang

Attending: Randa Trivisonno, Ive Covaci, Anne Boberski, Carla Devillers, Barbara Wang, Amanda Castellano, Leonor Dao Turut, Patti Boutilier, Stephanie Klose, Kelcey Hix, Imke Lohs, Ariel Dunne, Emma Hall, Steve Zimmerman, Neil Cohn, Harris Falk

1. Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting February 9, 2022.

2. Collection Update:

- Inventory: Please keep tracking locations - this is an important reminder. After the MoCA pieces are redistributed we will do a reconciliation.
 - When moving works, please measure and make sure this is updated in the database... and as well do new photography if possible
- Subcommittee for Accessions: believe we have group confirmed of Carla, Marion, Leonor, and Emma.. also WAAC members will join. Please contact Barbara if any other members would like to help out on this committee.
 - Kathie will coordinate a first zoom meeting for April 6th, 7-8pm

3. Education Update:

- Learning Galleries -recap of galleries at each school and upcoming movements:
 - SHS: waiting Color & Collage (3/15)
 - LLS: Still Lives
 - CES: Abstraction
 - GFS: Matisse and His Inspiration
 - SES: (empty for student art show)
 - KHS: Landscapes
 - CMS: Sugarman Mississippi 1964
 - BMS: Persuasive Prints; Blue Wall- awaiting POP! On 3/14
- Education Subcommittee - Ive, Paula, Stephanie, and Patti
 - Created tracking calendar for rotating galleries
 - Labels and overview panels
 - Create working sets for future installations
 - Welcome more people to join! Email Ive at icovaci@gmail.com

4. Friends of WestPAC update (per Scott Bennewitz:

- AARPA: looking at Town and Public Works storage options. Scott Springer is assisting on this, due for review on March 18th.
- PTA Funding: still outstanding for CES, BMS, and GFS.

- Budget discussions regarding framing, labeling, appraisals ongoing, post MoCA expenses.

5.Special Projects Update:

- MoCA Show
 - Cocktail reception and lecture with Ive and Art teachers was a great success!
 - MoCA says that this exhibit has had one of the largest attendance ever
 - Programming was also well received and attended.
 - DeInstallation - show closes March 12th:
 - Sign up sheets in circulation to move works out on March 14, 15, and 16th, with special needs for oversize vehicles.

6.Representative Site Reports:

- Please work on replacing MoCA pieces and also refreshing sites opportunistically
- Town Hall - Positive feedback from Jen Tooker on the art redesign. Redesign is continuing floor by floor and conference rooms. Thank you Anne and team!

7. Additional Business:

- New Committee bios: approved by Arts Advisory and Moving on to First Selectwoman's office
- Community Art opportunities:
 - Adger Cowans, Sense and Sensibility at Fairfield U, Bellarmine Hall, photography exhibition
 - Charles Joyner on 3/10 at Westport Public Library
 - Larry Silver at Fairfield U, Quick Center for the Arts, opening 3/24
- Celebrate Westport: Reese was unable to join call for update

8.Next Meeting : Wednesday April 13, 2022 at 7pm. This meeting will be Virtual. Additionally it has been recommended that we do an in-person Spring Gathering - details will be forthcoming!