

Cultural Arts Commission Meeting

March 10, 2025

6:00PM

Present:

- Commission: Chair Libby Roerig, Commissioners Sharina Haynes, Shelby Jasewicz-Davidoski, and Kelly Conrad.
- Staff: City Art Director Barbara Richardson and Arts & Entertainment Coordinator Gabbi Pace
- Public: Councilmember Gayla McSwain

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Chairman Roerig.

General Public comments:

- N/A

Approval of Previous Minutes:

- Chairman Roerig requested a motion to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2025 and February 10, 2025 meetings.
 - Motion was granted by Commissioner Haynes
 - Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jasewicz-Davidoski
 - Discussion:
 - N/A
 - All in favor, motion carried.

Art Director's Report – Barbara Richardson:

- Adopt-A-Goose Updates
 - The Westview Middle and Goose Creek High geese are completed and ready for clear coating.
 - The DPW goose is completed and in the DPW lobby until placement is decided.
 - Three geese are almost finished: Mevers, Crowfield Baptist, Neighborhood Taphouse
- Mural Updates
 - Matteo has a projected start date of March 24 and is awaiting the final approval of the property owner of Sky Market.
- Wild Goose Chase
 - This contest will be hosted by Branded Mustang Club and Fast Fords with Stones Throw Brewing on Saturday, May 17. There will be a "race" to locate select Adopt-A-Goose geese. 50% of proceeds go to Friends of Berkeley Animal Center. The geese will be split into quadrants to avoid affecting traffic. There are currently 150 cars signed up, with potentially three times that expected to register. Businesses with a participating goose

will have special menu items/raffle items. The event will conclude with a band performance and activities for families.

- Hosts are seeking volunteers to man the geese/hand out raffle tickets at Geese whose businesses will not have representatives present.

Arts & Entertainment Report – Gabbi Pace:

- Past Arts Programming
 - The Stud Signing on February 13 was a success, with positive feedback from the arts community who felt honored to be included and excited for the Creek Collective's opening.
 - Art in the Park on February 22 was well attended and lots of fun, with people creating artwork both on the graffiti panels but also on the Red Bank T-shirts by making tie-dye style designs.
 - Black History Month Movie Night was held on February 28 and was relatively well attended despite the cold. Graffiti artist Daniel Green created a design specifically for the event and painted it live. Food trucks and Turning Page Bookstore were in attendance, and kids of a range of ages participated in the provided LEGO mask craft.
 - The Daning's first concert of the year on March 7 saw around 100 people in attendance, and The Novatones were excellent performers. Thought is being given to making next year's Spring concert fall a little later in the season when it is a little warmer and less dark.
 - The Novatones are interested in hosting a Battle of the Bands competition around the Lowcountry and have expressed wanting to hold their final concert of that competition at the Daning.
 - Local "first Friday" concerts have been rebranded to our local seasonal concerts. Those dates are March 7, August 1, and November 7. April 4 and June 6 dates have been cancelled.
- Upcoming Arts Programming
 - Creekapalooza's kick-off will be held on April 12. These concerts will be ticketed but free. Tickets should be available in the next week. The band will be announced a few days ahead of ticket sales going live.
 - There are 3 upcoming spring movie nights: Wicked on April 5, The Wild Robot on April 19, and Dog Man on May 17.
 - The Charleston Absent Friends shadow cast performance of Princess Bride will be on March 29 at 7:45 (doors at 7:00)
 - A Midsummer Night's Dream performance will be held at the Daning on June 28. Gabbi is looking into securing a nonprofit fairy troupe to spread magic at the performance
 - It was suggested that fairy hair or glitter tattoo vendors be present.
- GooseChase
 - The Adopt-A-Goose scavenger hunt is going digital! Hunt participants can download the GooseChase app and either search for "Follow the Flock with the City of Goose Creek" or our code, LZ6ZPP to gather points as they seek out the geese around town.
 - Rec is thinking about revamping prizes for the hunt now that we have 50 geese purchased.

- The app is live, with social media rollout forthcoming.
- Poet Laureate Initiative
 - Goose Creek is seeking a poet laureate! An application has been created, and a flyer request has been submitted. Once that is completed, the City will post the application on its socials. Submissions will be accepted through April, and the Commission will vote on a Poet Laureate in May.
- Approval of Proposed Artwork
 - The commission was shown some prospective artwork that would be installed as a wrap on the doors of an auto shop on 125 Red Bank Rd. Feedback is below.
 - The commission likes the inclusion of both the American and Brazilian flags.
 - The commission likes that it is a diptych.
 - The art seems a little generic, and not specific enough to Goose Creek.
 - It has elements indicating that it may be AI generated art (multiple emblems/eagles, misspellings, odd details, etc.)
 - A good first attempt with interesting elements.
- Retreat Date
 - The GCCAC planning retreat has been scheduled for July 8 from 12:00-4:00 at Berkeley Electric Cooperative's meeting room.
- Black History Month Stamp Winners
 - Three winners were selected for the Black History Month stamp art contest. Winners have been notified and will be recognized at the March 11 Council Meeting for anyone interested in attending

Commission Comments:

- It was suggested that a social be held at MOMOs in celebration of the women leadership in the City of Goose Creek before March is over. City staff said they would look into what it would take to make that happen.
- It was suggested that next year there be a women's art showcase in the Collective in March.
- It was suggested that next year Hidden Figures be shown at the Daning to honor both Black History and Women's history month on the weekend of 2/28.

Adjournment:

- Chairman Roerig requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m.
- The motion was granted by Commissioner Haynes
 - The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jasewicz-Davidoski
 - All in favor, motion carried.

The next meeting has been scheduled for April 14 at 6:00PM

Minutes approved for March 10, 2025.