



**NEWPORT BEACH CITY ARTS COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**  
Central Library – *Friends Meeting Room*  
1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach, CA 92660  
Monday, November 25, 2013 – 4:30pm

***City Arts Commission Members:***

Rita Goldberg, Chair  
Arlene Greer, Vice Chair  
Caroline Logan, Secretary  
Judy Chang  
Michael Magrutsche  
Robert Smith  
Charles Ware

***Staff Members:***

Tim Hetherington, Library Services Director (Acting)  
Elaine McMillion, Administrative Assistant

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**1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**2) ROLL CALL**

**3) PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Public comments are invited on agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Arts Commission. Speakers must limit comments to five (5) minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The City Arts Commission has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on agenda or non-agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in silent mode.*

**4) CURRENT BUSINESS**

1. Approval of the Newport Beach City Arts Commission as a recommended recipient for FY 2013/14 Cultural Arts Grants in accordance with City Council Policy I-10 – *Financial Support for Culture and the Arts.*

**5) PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

*Public comments are invited on non-agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Arts Commission. Speakers must limit comments to three (3) minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The City Arts Commission has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on non-agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.*

**6) ADJOURNMENT**

*The Newport Beach City Arts Commission is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Among other things, the Brown Act requires that the City Arts Commission Special Meeting agenda be posted at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of each special meeting and that the public be allowed to comment on agenda items before the City Arts Commission and items not on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Arts Commission. The City Arts Commission may limit public comments to a reasonable amount of time, generally three (3) minutes per person. It is the intention of the City of Newport Beach to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") in all respects. If, as an attendee or a participant at this meeting, you will need special assistance beyond what is normally provided, the City of Newport Beach will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. If requested, this agenda will be made available in appropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof. Please contact the City Clerk's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible at (949) 644-3005 or [cityclerk@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@newportbeachca.gov).*

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Special Meeting of the City Arts Commission of the City of Newport Beach has been scheduled for **Monday, November 25, 2013, at 4:30 p.m. related to Approval of the Newport Beach City Arts Commission as a recommended recipient for FY 2013/14 Cultural Arts Grants in Accordance with City Council Policy I-10.** The meeting will be held in the Friends Meeting Room at the Newport Beach Central Library, located at 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach, California.



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Elaine McMillion  
Administrative Assistant

**TO:** CHAIR GOLDBERG AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY ARTS COMMISSION

**FROM:** Library Services Department  
Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director (Acting)  
949-717-3819, theherton@newportbeachca.gov

**PREPARED BY:** Tim Hetherton

**TITLE:** The Newport Beach City Arts Commission as a recommended recipient for FY 2013/14 Cultural Arts Grants in accordance with City Council Policy I-10 – *Financial Support for Culture and the Arts.*

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**ABSTRACT:**

The sum of \$40,000 (Cultural and Arts, City Grants Account #4002-8254) is provided annually for specific cultural or artistic planning or projects as approved by the City Council. The City Arts Commission has the responsibility to review all programs and requests for support from arts groups and to make recommendations for funding to the City Council for final approval. In 2013, the City Arts Commission has granted \$18,000.00 to various local arts organizations. The City Arts Commission also grants a portion of these funds back to the Commission to support annual programs such as the Concerts in the Park, Shakespeare by the Sea, Imagination Celebration, Museum Bus Tours, and the Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Newport Beach City Arts Commission as a recommended recipient of \$22,000.00 for FY 2013/14 Cultural Arts Grants in accordance with City Council Policy I-10 – *Financial Support for Culture and the Arts.*

**FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:**

**A. Budget Includes Sufficient Funding**

The current adopted budget includes sufficient funding for this purchase. It will be expensed to the City Grants account in the Cultural and Arts Department, 4002-8254.

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

**DISCUSSION:**

City Council Policy I-10 recognizes the importance of promoting culture and the arts within the City and establishes a Reserve Fund for Culture and Arts. The sum of \$40,000 is provided annually for specific

cultural or artistic planning or projects as approved by the City Council. The City Arts Commission has the responsibility to review all programs and requests for support from arts groups and make recommendations for funding to the City Council for final approval. To this end, at the November 14 meeting, the City Arts Commission granted a sum \$18,000.00 to various local arts organizations. The Arts Commission also uses these funds for its own programming and proposes to grant \$22,000.00 back to the Commission for a range of free cultural programming that enriches the entire community. The Arts Commission sponsors multidisciplinary arts programs funded by the Cultural Arts Grant Program such as arts lectures, public art projects, and visual art exhibitions in Central Library and at City Hall. The Arts Commission extends the range of arts programming by providing additional funding for the Concerts in the Parks series, Shakespeare by the Sea festival and the Newport Beach Public Library's Imagination Celebration events in May.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

Staff recommends the Newport Beach City Arts Commission find that granting funds back to the Arts Commission is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.

**NOTICING:**

This agenda item has been noticed according to the Brown Act (posted at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of each special meeting).

Submitted by:

  
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Tim Hetherton,  
Library Services Director

Attachment A: City Council Policy I-10

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CULTURE AND ARTS

The City Council hereby recognizes the importance of promoting culture and the arts within the City of Newport Beach. A number of individuals and groups, such as the Arts Commission and Friends of the Newport Theatre Arts Center, have been organized with the express purpose of developing and promoting culture, theatre and the arts.

The City would compliment these efforts by establishing a Reserve Fund for Culture and Arts that can be used for a) developing a master plan for the promotion of culture and arts; b) acquiring land and/or the construction of facilities to promote culture and arts and; c) instituting other cultural promotion projects.

The sum of \$55,000 shall be provided each year for specific cultural or artistic planning, promotion and/or construction projects as approved by the City Council. It is the policy of the City of Newport Beach that expenditures from the reserve fund should be matched equally by the community in the form of contributions and donations.

In regard to the City's roll in financially sponsoring art and cultural events, the City Arts Commission shall review all programs and requests for support from arts groups. The Commission shall forward its recommendations for funding to the City Council for final approval. Any appropriation shall not exceed 50% of the Arts Commissions' annual budget. For the purpose of this policy, arts groups shall be defined as those involved in visual, musical, theatre, dance, crafts, performing and literary activities.

The following priorities shall be considered by the Commission. The order of preference for granting support shall be as follows:

- A. Local arts groups located within the City and offering programs to City residents;
- B. Regional arts groups located in Orange County and offering programs to City residents; and
- C. Arts groups located in California and performing or offering programs to City residents.

Groups not offering programs or services to local residents shall not be eligible for support from the City.

**Adopted - May 11, 1981**  
**Amended - November 14, 1983**  
**Amended - January 23, 1984**  
**Amended - March 28, 1988**  
**Amended - October 28, 1991**  
**Amended - January 24, 1994**  
**Amended - May 8, 2001**  
**Reassigned - April 8, 2003**

**Formerly F-20**  
**Formerly I-12**