Aurora Cultural Centre

AGENDA

Board of Directors Meeting #4 2022

7 pm

Wednesday May 11th, 2022 **Eric Acker, Chair**

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82925822738?pwd=Z1FWMFJZa3VuNnRwckhxVVdBdVRNUT09
Meeting ID: 829 2582 2738
Passcode: 264509
Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/ki6nOr5B8

1 (1 min)	Agenda **MOTION** to Approve the Agenda	Eric Acker
2 (1 min)	Previous Minutes **MOTION** to Approve Minutes of previous meeting (April 13, 2022)	Eric Acker
3 (1 min)	**Statements of Conflict of Interest**	ALL
4 (60 min)	**Finance & Audit Committee** 2021 Audit Report from the Auditor **MOTION** to Move XX to the Classical Music Reserve Fund. **MOTION** to Move In Camera with the Auditor **MOTION** to Approve the Aurora Cultural Centre's 2020 Audited Financial Statements with changes above Report from the committee • Interim Financial Statement to March 31, 2021 **MOTION** to Approve the Interim Financial Statements to March 31, 2021 **MOTION** to Accept the Finance & Audit Committee Report	Laura Hostick Linda Thibault Laura Hostick
5 (20 min)	**Governance & Nominating** Report from the committee • Review of 2021 Board Assessment • Notice of Annual Meeting of the Members: June 15, 2021 at 7pm	Parisa Sabat

	• **Special Meeting of the Members** **MOTION** to Move into the Special Meeting of the Members **MOTION** to Receive the Governance & Nominating Committee Report	
6 (10 min)	**Executive Director Report** • Monthly Report **MOTION** to Receive the Executive Director Report	Suzanne Haines
7 (10 min)	**Fund Development Committee** Report from the committee **MOTION** to Receive the Fund Development Committee Report	John De Faveri
8	**New Business**	ALL
9	**Confirmation of next Meeting** June 15th at 6:00pm via ZOOM June 15th at 7:00pm via ZOOM for Annual General Meeting June 15th at 7:30pmish via ZOOM	ALL
10	**MOTION** to Adjourn Meeting	ALL

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7 pm

Wednesday May 11th, 2022 **Eric Acker, Chair**

In Attendance: Eric Acker (President), John De Faveri (Vice President), Laura Hostick (Treasurer), Sharon Kelly (Secretary), Andrea Chan, Damien Chan, Christina Kerr, Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi, Parisa Sabat
Regrets: Nitin Bagga, Cllr Wendy Gaertner, Cllr Rachel Gilliland
Staff: Suzanne Haines (Executive Director)
Guest: Linda Thibault (Auditor)

1 (1 min)	Agenda **MOTION** to Approve the Agenda MOVED by: Parisa Sabat 2nd: Andrea Chan **CARRIED**	Eric Acker
2 (1 min)	Previous Minutes **MOTION** to Approve Minutes of previous meeting (April 13, 2022) MOVED by: Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi 2nd: Andrea Chan **CARRIED**	Eric Acker
3 (1 min)	**Statements of Conflict of Interest - NONE**	ALL
4 (60 min)	**Finance & Audit Committee** 2021 Audit Report from the Auditor **MOTION** to Move $4,557 to the Classical Music Reserve Fund. MOVED by: Andrea Chan 2nd: Parisa Sabat **CARRIED** **MOTION** to Move In Camera with the Auditor MOVED by: Laura Hostick 2nd: Christina Kerr **CARRIED** **MOTION** to Approve the Aurora Cultural Centre's 2021 Audited Financial Statements with changes above	Laura Hostick Linda Thibault Laura Hostick

	MOVED by: Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi 2nd: Andrea Chan **CARRIED** Report from the Committee: • Interim Financial Statement to March 31, 2021 **MOTION** to Approve the Interim Financial Statements to March 31, 2021 MOVED by: Andrea Chan 2nd: John De Faveri **CARRIED** **MOTION** to Accept the Finance & Audit Committee Report MOVED by: Christina Kerr 2nd: Parisa Sabat CARRIED	
5 (20 min)	**Governance & Nominating** Report from the committee • Review of 2021 Board Assessment • Notice of Annual Meeting of the Members: June 15, 2021 at 7pm **Special Meeting of the Members** **MOTION** to Move into the Special Meeting of the Members for Updates to Bylaws MOVED by: Andrea Chan 2nd: Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi **CARRIED** **MOTION** to Receive the Governance & Nominating Committee Report MOVED by: Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi 2nd: Parisa Sabat **CARRIED**	Parisa Sabat
6 (10 min)	**Executive Director Report** • Monthly Report **MOTION** to Receive the Executive Director Report MOVED by: Parisa Sabat 2nd by: Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi **CARRIED**	Suzanne Haines

7 (10 min)	**Fund Development Committee** Report from the committee **MOTION** to Receive the Fund Development Committee Report MOVED by: Damien Chan 2nd: Christina Kerr **CARRIED**	John De Faveri
8	**New Business - NONE**	ALL
9	**Confirmation of next Meetings** June 15th at 6:00pm via ZOOM June 15th at 7:30pmish via ZOOM	ALL
10	**MOTION** to Adjourn Meeting @ 9:47 pm MOVED by: John De Faveri 2nd: Christina Kerr **CARRIED**	ALL

Signed,

Sharon Kelly, Secretary

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Board of Directors – May 2022
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

April 2022

Live Events Programming

Leela Gilday
Signature Series
April 7, 2022

Leela Gilday's power comes straight from the earth, conveying her feelings of love and life in a rugged environment and vibrant culture. Born and raised in the Northwest Territories, she writes about the people and the land that created her, most recently winning her a 2021 Juno Award for Indigenous Artist of the Year. Confessing her stories to her audiences with a gutsy voice and open stage presence, Gilday weaves her experiences as a northerner, a member of the Dene Nation, and a traveler into a beautiful world that transports the listener. If you're from the North, Leela's music is home. If you've never been, it will take you there.

Leela Gilday has connected with fans for over 20 years – playing with her 4-piece band in every territory and province, and touring across the United States, Greenland, Australia and New Zealand. "Leela Gilday's voice comes straight from the heart. It's the voice of a winner; the song of a warrior. That's the call of Leela Gilday." – David Newland, *Roots Music Canada*
www.LeelaGilday.com

Carousel Players Presents Pop! Pop! – Cancelled due to Performer Illness
Meridian Magic Carpet Series
April 23, 2022

Two characters who are very different from each other are exploring a strange new world and finding surprises in this colourful sensory experience. One instinctively hides, the other instinctively seeks. Together they find lots of surprises that pop up everywhere! Pop! Pop! is a performance piece for children ages 2-4 and their caregivers. There are sensory experiences, live music, adorable puppets – lots of fun for children and adults alike.

Carousel Players is one of Canada's oldest and most respected professional theatre for young audience companies. Fun facts include that the company has travelled over 575,000 km (that's to the moon and half way back!), produced over 214 productions to more than 2.8 million children, and have presented over 12,000 performances!

The Aurora Cultural Centre's Meridian Magic Carpet Series is proud to partner with the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Home and Living Show to make this a free presentation to all attendees. No registration required. Admission is free thanks to Community Admission Sponsor Kempenfelt Windows & Doors. Come for a fun-filled family Saturday morning with the family.

Coming Up:

Signature Series
John Sheard Presents Legends of Canadian Folk May 6 7:30pm Aurora Armoury
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/john-sheard-legends-of-canadian-folk/
Sold Out Performance!

Signature Series
TiKA May 20 7:30pm St. Andrew's College
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/tika/

Gallery Program

UPON REFLECTION – PORTRAITS OF PERSONAL HISTORY

Online: Thursday March 31 – Friday May 6, 2022
In-Person: Friday April 1 – Saturday April 23, 2022

Upon Reflection; Portraits of Personal History is a multi-disciplinary exhibition featuring the work of GTA artists Nicole Crozier, Eden Graham and Joon Hee Kim. Coming from different backgrounds and lived experiences, the artists meet on shared themes of identity and self-representation, challenging each through creative explorations in portraiture. To further their connection, collage is a predominant tool in their processes, both materially and conceptually. Through the layering of media, imagery, and iconography, the artists each present a storyboard of personal experience, offering viewers an intimate look into the perspectives of themselves, their histories, and the world around them.

Presented in the Centre's temporary gallery on the 2nd floor of Aurora Town Hall, Upon Reflection has accessibility through an online gallery and a virtual 3D map.
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/upon-reflection-portraits-of-personal-history/

Art Bytes:
Art Bytes are an ongoing online series which accompanies our exhibitions and give viewers an opportunity to deepen their understanding about the art and artists.

April 18 - In Conversation with Nicole Crozier Video
In this Art Byte we meet with Nicole Crozier, a Toronto-based artist and arts manager. These larger-than-life photo-collages from the series, can be found flanking the east wall of the gallery space. In this segment, Nicole has agreed to speak with us about her creative process, and some of the underlying themes behind the compositions seen in this exhibition.
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/upon-reflection-portraits-of-personal-history/upon-reflection-art-bytes/

Coming up:
BACKSTORIES: THE RESEARCHING ARTIST AS TRAVELLER & INTERVIEWER
May 11 – July 8 (in person) and May 13 –July 15 (online)
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/backstories/
In person gallery visits Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm

Education Programs

1. **A Journey Through Art & Time with Karen Johnston (B.F.A., RECE)** Ages 4 – 6, Feb 12 – April 2
2. **Around the World with Art with Karen Johnston (B.F.A., RECE)** Ages 7 – 10, February 12 – April 2
3. **Famous Artists & Their Styles with Karen Johnston (B.F.A., RECE)** Ages 11 – 15, Feb 12 – April 2
4. **A Journey Through Art & Time with Alexandra Beneteau (B.F.A., M.A.)** Ages 4 – 6, April 23 – June 18
5. **Around the World with Art with Alexandra Beneteau (B.F.A., M.A.)** Ages 7 – 10, April 23 – June 18
6. **Famous Artists & Their Styles with Alexandra Beneteau (B.F.A., M.A.)** Ages 11 – 15, April 23 – June 18
7. **[AFTER SCHOOL] You Can Uke It! with Anthony Clayton (B.A. Hons., B.Ed., Orff)** Ages 8+, April 20 – June 8

Adults (16+)

8. **Painting in Acrylics with Helen Walter (B.A.A.)** February 15 - April 5
9. **Exploring Watercolours (Intermediate/Advanced) with Kathryn Christensen (B.F.A.)** Feb 16 – Apr 6
10. **Ukulele for Beginners with Anthony Clayton (B.A. Hons., B.Ed., Orff)** February 16 – April 13
11. **Beginning Guitar with Anthony Clayton (B.A. Hons., B.Ed., Orff)** February 16 – April 13
12. **Watercolours: Basics & Beyond with Kathryn Christensen (B.F.A.)** February 17 – April 7
13. **Signs of Spring: Watercolours Short Course with Nancy Newman (B.A.)*** April 14 – April 28
14. **Expand your Horizons in Acrylics Level 2 with Helen Walter (B.A.A.)** April 19 – June 7
15. **Start Painting Now with Acrylics with Kathryn Christensen (B.F.A.)** April 19 – June 7
16. **Ukulele for Beginners with Anthony Clayton (B.A. Hons., B.Ed., Orff)** April 20 – June 15
17. **Beginning Guitar with Anthony Clayton (B.A. Hons., B.Ed., Orff)** April 20 – June 15
18. **Exploring Watercolours (Intermediate/Advanced) with Kathryn Christensen (B.F.A.)** Apr 20 June 8
19. **Watercolours: Basics & Beyond with Kathryn Christensen (B.F.A.)** April 21 – June 9
20. **Card Making with Selina Merali** April 24
21. **Wood Carving with Marlene Ash** April 25 – June 20

*Virtual classes indicated with asterisk after course title

Kaleidoscope in the Scope

The month of April was an exciting and busy time of progress for KITS. Once we received word from the YCDSB, YRDSB & MonAvenir school boards that they were once again allowing external visitors and assemblies, we quickly jumped on the opportunity to bring artists back into the schools. Throughout the month of April, we were able to confirm 10 KITS opportunities (7 Aurora & 3 Sutton schools) and hire an Education Assistant to support the school liaison aspect of the program. We completed and provided two Study Guides to the schools in order to support teacher/student learning before and after the program.

Administration

- We have confirmed funding from Canada Summer Jobs employment grants.
- Lunch and Tour of Aurora Town Square with members of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation to discuss programming collaboration and how the new infrastructure can support their cultural outcomes
- Consultation on Town RFP for new box office system for Aurora Town Square; one Aurora Cultural Centre staff will be involved in assessment
- Applied for FedDev Tourism Readiness funding on May 2

Human Resources

- Staff meet bi-weekly via Zoom to check in, build future ACC programming and support programming initiatives.
- Team members continue to work from home unless involved in the delivery of programs. Up to 30% of any department may be onsite at Town Hall.
- Please welcome Jess Falcioni as our Education Assistant
- Current Facility Supervisor, Jordana Polito has taken on the additional role of Development Assistant

Facilities

- Town Hall is open for in person programming.
    - Gallery in person DROP IN visits continue on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday form 10am – 3pm. Group sizes are no longer limited and patrons can stay as long as they wish. Visits are hosted by gallery staff in the gallery.
    - Education classes continue in Town Hall until the end of the Spring session. Weekday children's classes in Armoury June 2, 2022. Hoping to be in new Library room in July.
- MS Teams telephony program transition on May 12.

Board Activities

Finance & Audit Meeting: May 9
Fund Development Meeting: April 29
Fund Development Event 'Calling All Donors': April 28
Governance & Nominating Committee Meetings: April 14, May 9

Community Connections/Artistic Events

- Ontario Presents provincial presenting network bi-weekly meetings
- Monthly meeting with Director of Community Services

Respectfully Submitted by

Suzanne Haines
Executive Director