Aurora Cultural Centre

AGENDA

Board of Directors Meeting #1 2023

HYBRID (in person and virtual)

Tannery Room, Aurora Town Hall

Teams Meeting for VIRTUAL
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Meeting ID: 245 814 369 571
Passcode: 3yYgQm

Wednesday January 18th, 2022 @ 7pm **Eric Acker, Chair**

1 (1 min)	Agenda **MOTION** to Approve the Agenda	Eric Acker
2 (1 min)	Previous Minutes **MOTION** to approve the minutes for December 14, 2022	
3 (1 min)	**Statements of Conflict of Interest**	ALL
4 (10 min)	**Executive Director Report** Monthly Report **MOTION** to Receive the Executive Director Report	Suzanne Haines
5 (20 min)	**Finance & Audit Committee** • Interim Statements to November 30, 2022 • Budget Presentation **MOTION** to Approve the Interim Financial Statements to November 30, 2022 **MOTION** to Accept the Finance & Audit Committee Report	Laura Hostick
6 (45 min)	**Executive Committee** • ED Performance Evaluation • In Camera session • 2023 ED Goals **MOTION** to move the meeting In Camera **MOTION** to Accept the 2022 Executive Director Performance Evaluation **MOTION** to approve the Executive Director Goals for 2023	ALL

	MOTION to accept the Executive Committee Report	
7 (15 min)	**Governance & Nominating Committee** Report from the committee • G10 – Privacy Policy • Planning Calendar **MOTION** to approve the adjusted G10 Privacy policy as reviewed and presented **MOTION** to Receive the Governance & Nominating Committee Report	Parisa Sabat
8 (15 min)	**Outreach Committee** Report from the committee	Anita Townsend
9	**New Business**	ALL
10	**Next Meeting** February 16 at 7pm in Tannery Room/Teams	
11	**MOTION** to Adjourn Meeting	ALL

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Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting #10 2022
IN PERSON
Aurora Public Library:
Program Room 1

Wednesday December 14th, 2022 7:00 pm **Eric Acker, Chair**

Attendees: Eric Acker, Edlene Antonio, Andrea Chan, John de Faveri, Cllr Wendy Gaertner, Laura Hostick, Sharon Kelly, Parisa Sabet, Anita Townsend,

Regrets: Damien Chan, Cllr Rachel Gilliland, Mandana Gholami Mobarakabadi

1 (1 min)	Agenda **MOTION** to Approve the Agenda Moved: Sharon Kelly Seconded: Anita Townsend CARRIED	Eric Acker
2 (1 min)	Previous Minutes **MOTION** to approve the minutes for November 16, 2022 Moved: Laura Hostick Seconded: Edlene Antonio CARRIED	Eric Acker
3 (1 min)	**Statements of Conflict of Interest**	ALL
4 (10 min)	**Executive Director Report** Monthly Report **MOTION** to Receive the Executive Director Report Moved: Sharon Kelly Seconded: Edlene Antonio CARRIED	Suzanne Haines

5 (40 min)	**Finance & Audit Committee** • Interim Statements to October 31, 2022 • Budget Presentation . **MOTION** to Approve the Interim Financial Statements to October 31, 2022 Moved: John de Faveri Seconded: Edlene Antonio CARRIED **MOTION** to Accept the Finance & Audit Committee Report Moved: Sharon Kelly Seconded: Edlene Antonio CARRIED	Laura Hostick
6 (15 min)	**Governance & Nominating Committee** Report from the committee • F4. Signing Authority • Planning Calendar **MOTION** to approve the adjusted F4. Signing Authority policy as reviewed and presented. Moved: Anita Townsend Seconded: Edlene Antonio CARRIED **MOTION** to Receive the Governance & Nominating Committee Report Moved: Sharon Kelly Seconded: Laura Hostick CARRIED	Edlene Antonio
7	**New Business** **Board Meetings** • In-person, virtual or hybrid • February Board Meeting Date Note for Quorum count: to state 'in-person' or 'virtual', providing there is an opportunity technical support. Note: February Meeting will be scheduled via doodle. Proposed possible dates of February 15, 16 or 22, 2023.	ALL
8	**Next Meeting** January 16, 2023 at 6pm at Aurora Town Hall Council Chambers for Budget Presentation January 18, 2023 at 7pm for Board meeting	
9	**MOTION** to Adjourn Meeting	ALL

	Moved: John de Faveri Seconded: Sharon Kelly CARRIED Meeting Adjourned: 7:55pm	

Signed,

Andrea Chan, Secretary

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Board of Directors – December 2022
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

December 2022

Performing Arts Programming

The Ennis Sisters Holiday
December 3, 2022 at Trinity Anglican Church
Attendance: SOLD OUT 262 plus 60 views of livestream
For over twenty-five years, the Ennis Sisters have been connecting to audiences across the world. From church halls in outport Newfoundland to performing for International leaders and delegates at the 75th anniversary of D-Day on Juno Beach, their harmonies resonate with us all. A Juno Award, multiple ECMA's, Music Newfoundland & Labrador awards and a SOCAN for top grossing Canadian country song – along with endless accolades from fans and critics alike – tangible proof that they've tapped into something universal, beyond the notes on the page. Flavoured by Celtic and traditional Newfoundland influences, Maureen, Karen and Teresa are known for their captivating sibling harmonies and their powerful, often humourous, storytelling. Their music offers a broad mix of original songs as well as uniquely interpreted tunes and ballads. https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/the-ennis-sisters-holiday/

A Christmas Carol
December 10, 2022 at The Armoury
Attendance: SOLD OUT 140 plus 6 views of livestream
Penny-pinching miser Ebenezer Scrooge is well-known across Victorian London for being far more interested in making money than friends. Above all else, he hates Christmas time and its spirit of giving. But on one particular Christmas Eve, several spirits give Ebenezer the surprise of his life, as they whisk him off on a magical journey through past, present and future, to show him the true meaning of the season. From Fezziwig to Tiny Tim, all the favorites are included in DuffleBag Theatre's exuberant version of the Charles Dickens Yuletide classic!
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/a-christmas-carol/

Upcoming Live Events

January 21: John Sheard Presents Tribute to the Beatles Part 2
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/john-sheard-presents-tribute-to-the-beatles-pt-2/
January 27: Payadora Tango Ensemble
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/payadora-tango-ensemble-2023/
February 11: John Sheard – Tribute to The Beatles Part 2
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/the-sandbox/

Gallery Program

Inspirations From a Space of Healing

December 10, 2022 – January 28, 2023
Virtual Gallery available until February 10, 2022
Curated by the Aurora Historical Society and Aurora Cultural Centre

Featured from the Society of York Region Artists:
Bill Lunshof, Carol Walthers, Catherine Fairs, Christine Valentini, George Keltika, Hans Backer, Karin Adams, Kevin McBean, Linda Welch, Lucy Quin, Melinda Schnalzer, Sharon Nielsen, and Vikki Mikkola

Inspirations From a Space of Healing is a multisite exhibition located at the Hillary House National Historic Site and the Aurora Cultural Centre's temporary home at the Aurora Town Hall (second floor). Featuring work by artists of the Society of York Region Artists, this exhibition looks to artifacts within the Hillary House National Historic site for inspiration.

Built in 1862, Hillary House is recognized by the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board as one of the best examples of Gothic Revival architecture in Canada. It was used as a doctor's practice and family residence for over 100 years and contains a significant collection of medical instruments, books, papers, household furnishings dating from the early nineteenth to the late twentieth century.

An Opening Reception for *Inspirations From a Space of Healing* was held on Saturday December 10 from 1 – 3 pm at Hillary House National Historic Site.

https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/event/inspirations/2022-12-10/

Digital Art Bytes
https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/art-bytes/

Education Programs

We continue to offer programming primarily out of Town Hall, with the exception of child/youth weekday daytime programming at CFWI-Aurora Armoury. These programs are on average 82.5% full, which is great as were emerge from COVID and are still offsite.

Class	Age Range	Dates	Enrollment
[After School] You Can Uke It!	8+	Sept 28 – Nov 16	5
Start Painting Now with Acrylics	16+	Sept 27 – Nov 22	11
Expand Your Horizons in Acrylics Level 2	16+	Sept 27 – Nov 22	10
Exploring Watercolours (Intermediate/ Advanced)	16+	Sept 28 – Nov 16	12
Watercolours: Basics & Beyond	16+	Sept 29 – Nov 17	10
Beginning Guitar	16+	Sept 28 – Nov 16	7
Ukulele for Beginners	16+	Sept 28 – Nov 16	7

Kaleidoscope in the Schools (KITS)

On December 1st we had our last show of the Fall 2022 season with "Woods" by Puzzle Theatre. Approximately 3112 students attended the Fall Season of KITS alongside 148 teachers. We continue to receive rave reviews about the program, and many Principals have expressed their excitement to have us back in the next school year.

The rest of December was spent wrapping up the Fall season and looking ahead to the Winter/Spring season. We are in the midst of finalizing the details with the schools and Artists for the remaining 4 tours. We have successfully reached our goal of booking 36 schools in the 2022/2023 School year to receive this program.

St. Thomas Aquinas CES	Puzzle Théâtre	December 1

See more information about the program here: https://auroraculturalcentre.ca/kaleidoscope-in-the-schools/kits-school-booking-information/

Administration

- ATS Governance: The drafted PCSA and Lease agreements were sent to Town staff for review. A meeting is set for the FTF subcommittee to meet with Town staff on January 20, 2023 to review changes and receive feedback.
- The Aurora Cultural Centre will be presenting the 2023-2026 budget to Aurora Town Council on January 16th at 6pm.
- We will be partnering in the ABC Black History Month gala event on February 3, 2023. Our participation includes securing the artist and production coordination.
- Education team and I met with Deanna Heron, YRDSB Principal of Curriculum and Instructional Services and her team to outline the KITS program. Deanna started her role in September 2022 and their team are instrumental in support the professional development component of the program.
- Applied for Meridian Good Neighbour program for 2023 Meridian sponsorship

Human Resources

- Staff meet bi-weekly via Zoom to check in. Last meeting of the month will be held in person.
- Kalaisan Kalaichelvan's contract as Performing Arts Producer concluded December 23, 2023. We wish him all the best in his artistic endeavours.
- Leanne DiMonte resigned on January 2nd, 2023. Her last day is January 13, 2023. Recruitment is underway for a new Education & Outreach Manager. Jess Falcioni has stepped in as Interim Education Manager until the recruitment is complete.

Facilities

- Gallery in person visits are now available Monday – Saturday from 8:30 – 4:30pm. Monday – Friday patrons enter through the main front door. Saturdays, patrons are welcomed through the 3rd floor entrance.

Board Activities

Executive Committee Meeting: January 10, 2023
Development Committee Meeting: no meeting

Facility Task Force Meeting: no meeting
Finance & Audit Committee Meeting: January 12, 2023
Governance & Nominating Committee Meeting: January 12, 2023
Outreach Committee Meeting: January 10, 2023

Community Connections/Artistic Events

- Monthly meeting with Director of Community Services
- Ontario Presents bi-monthly provincial calls

Respectfully Submitted by
Suzanne Haines
Executive Director