



CITY OF COACHELLA

CULTURAL AND ARTS COMMISSION APPLICATION

Application **deadline** is **6:00 p.m.** on **Monday, April 12, 2021**
Application must be received by the deadline in order to be considered

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To be eligible for appointment to the Commission you must be a resident of the City of Coachella. Members may only serve on one commission/committee.

Note: In the event a member of the commission has three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from meetings of the Commission, the City Council may declare the office of such member vacant.

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PLEASE FURNISH BRIEF RESPONSES TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW:

1. Why do you think you should be appointed? What is there specifically in your background, training, education and interests that qualifies you as a candidate?

I think I should be appointed for a number of reasons. I was a highly decorated Art student during my time at Coachella Valley High School and even received a scholarship to pursue my interests in the arts during my undergrad at University of California, Santa Barbara. I was involved with Raices Culturales for nearly 2 years in high school, so I have experience building, planning, and establishing culturally significant art installations and events. While in my Art classes in college, my professors and superiors took note of my developed and advanced skills in a number of mediums. My education is in Applied Math, and I believe that combining my creativity with my strong reasoning and planning, I would be an excellent appointment to the commission.

2. What do you see as the goals and objectives of the Commission? How would you help achieve these objectives and goals?

The goals and objectives I see for the Commission are to highlight the voices and history of our community, while also contributing to the development of Coachella. I would achieve these objectives by having local artists or artists with similar experiences to those in Coachella, submit detailed proposals to the Commission and decide whether or not their ideas align with the values our community shares. Another way I would aim to achieve the goals is create a sense of necessity for Art in Coachella. I believe that murals and sculptures would inspire our youth and give them a creative outlet as opposed to getting into trouble or staying indoors and being inactive.

3. What special qualities can you bring to the Commission?

I am highly detailed, an effective communicator, and have the ability to see projects out ahead of time. I am an excellent problem solver so any issues that may arise, I am more than able to sort them out in a timely manner.

