



FRUITA
COLORADO

**CITY OF FRUITA
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

BOARD OR COMMISSION: Arts and Culture

NAME: Leona Manuppella

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	City	State	Zip
RESIDENCE ADDRESS:	<u>Grand Junction</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>81506</u>

PHONE NUMBER: (970)589-5405

	Home	Work
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	<u>theoutlawedwoman@gmail.com</u>	

How long have you been a resident of Fruita? n/a

Occupation/Employer: Doordash/ Self Employed

List any volunteer and/or work experience:

Hobby Lobby- Cashier and Customer service manager (Oct 2019- Nov 2023)
Etsy- owner and operator of small business called The Outlaws Shop (2019-present)
Freelance artist- portraits, designs, crochet projects, and other individual artworks (2019-present)

Are you presently serving on a board or commission? If so, which one(s)?

No

Why do you want to be a member of this board or commission?

I have a deep love and passion for the arts and would love to help help bring it out to the public for others to enjoy.

List any abilities, skills, or interests which are applicable to the board or commission for which you are applying.

I am an artist, so I have a variety of skills in creating works. I also have developed a good eye for design and can be a good aid in anything art related. I am an excellent team player, able to work with a group on large or small scale projects on a tight deadline.

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Are you committed to attending meetings? Yes No
Are you committed to serving an entire term? Yes No

Please specify any activities which might create serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to a particular board or commission. (If unsure, please call the City Manager's office at 858-3663)

No conflict of interest, only potential time conflicts with work as I may be returning to Hobby Lobby. This will be easy to work around though

List any licenses, certificates or other specialized training applicable to the board or commission for which you are applying.

BFA in Graphic Design

Additional information or references you believe may be helpful in considering your application.

I am a resident of Grand Junction (have been most of my life), so I don't know if I am able to work on the board. My sister in law (Bailey Manuppella) had informed me of this opportunity and I wanted to share my information for consideration. I am an artist at my core and love to share my love for the arts with others. Seeing others work is incredible and I think I could be a valued member.

Signature  Date 12/15/23

All applicants are strongly encouraged to attend a regularly scheduled meeting of the board or commission for which they are applying. Frequent non-attendance may result in termination of the appointment.

ATTACHMENTS TO APPLICATION MUST BE LIMITED TO TWO PAGES

Please feel free to submit a resume along with this application. Application and any attachments should be returned to the Fruita City Council c/o the City Clerk, 325 E. Aspen, Fruita, CO 81521. Although we have indicated the best time to apply for a particular board, we accept applications for any of the boards year-round. Thank you.



LEONA MANUPPELLA

Illustration, Design, and More

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EDUCATION

B.F.A Graphic Design
Colorado Mesa University

AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

First Generation Scholarship
CMU 2019–2023

Academic Achievement CO
CMU 2019–2023

Opal Snowden (Suzi) Boyd
CMU 2022–2023

Dean's List
CMU Fall 2020, Spring 2021

ORGANIZATIONS

American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA)

AIGA Colorado Design Slam participant 2021

Adobe Max Conference virtual attendee 2020, 2021, 2022

SKILLS

Adobe Creative Suite
Illustration
Logo Design
Layout Design
Web Design
Advertising
Branding
Typography
Social Media
Time Management
Microsoft Products
Mac and PC

ABOUT ME

I am an artist at my core, and I would love to work on your creative project with you! I can be a bit silly at times, but I always work hard and do my utmost best when working on a job or any project.

EXPERIENCE

Etsy Shop Owner & Operator | September 2019–current

Owner and operator of TheOutlawsShop on etsy. I sell hand-made jewelry of my own design, stickers featuring my works, crochet plushies, as well as one of a kind artwork. Designed a logo for the shop that is used for brand identification on web platforms and for tagging items. Also Maintain an instagram for promoting online presence.

Freelance Artist | 2019–current

Receiving commissions through Instagram and in-person, I work one on one with clients to create unique artowrks. Primarily I do portraits, but have made icons for social media, tattoo designs, and logos.

Doordash | November 2023–current

Managing time effectively to deliver to customers well.

Hobby Lobby | Oct 2018–November 2023

Primarily worked as a cashier, running a register and assisting in store upkeep. Did time as a GSM, coordinating the front end of the store, keeping up with cashiers, and assisting with customer service.

PUBLISHED WORK

Literary Review | 2021 & 2022

Created illustrations for 4 different short stories and poems.

The Leviathan Project LLC | Logo redesign 2021

Assisted in redesigning the logo for the Leviathan Project, an organization meant to raise awareness and bring support to victims of homelessness, suicide, human trafficking, anxiety, depression, addiction, PTSD, and chronic/catastrophic illness and injury.

REFERENCES

Suzie Garner | (970)210-4411

Professor of Art and Design, Colorado Mesa University

Eli Hall | (417)459-2334

Professor of Art and Design, Colorado Mesa University

Julie Palmer | (970)433-3350

Head Manager, Hobby Lobby