

City of Madison Heights
Calendar Year 2026 Board and Commission Work Plan
Board and Commission: Arts Board

The Purpose of the Arts Board is to advise the City Council of the needs of the artistic and cultural community, actively encourage programs for the cultural enrichment of the community, including, but not limited to, exhibitions, displays, performances, events, instruction, and other projects. Also, engage community members and local businesses to build a flourishing and vibrant art and cultural environment.

1. Increase Visual Art

- 1.1 Encourage the placement of murals throughout the City
 - a) Repaint the Civic Center Park Sidewalk Mural (May 2026)
- 1.2 Offer communication accessibility to at least one Art Board activity
- 1.3 Create hands-on artistic programs.
 - a) Host pumpkin painting at Harvest Festival (October 2026)
 - b) Host three (3) paint nights throughout Madison Heights parks (Summer 2026)

2. Expand Cultural Community Involvement

- 2.1 Partner with other groups to bring Arts and Culture to the City of Madison Heights
 - a) Collaborate with the HREC in hosting the annual Arts & Pride Picnic (June 2026)
 - b) Host a Halloween-themed event (such as Skelebration Trail) (October 2026)
 - c) Collect Art Kits for Good Fellows during the holiday season (December 2026)
 - d) Plan at least two (2) Art and Craft Swap events at the Library (March & November 2026)
- 2.2 Attend the following City-sponsored events and offer art-related activities.
 - a) Festival in the Park
 - b) Juneteenth
 - c) Tree Lighting
 - d) Harvest Festival
- 2.3 Increase community engagement across all ages
 - a) Order Arts Board Merchandise to bring awareness to the Arts Board, promote Board identity, and fundraise.
 - b) Recruit student representatives to serve on the Board.
 - c) Start Social Media Spotlights on Facebook to highlight and recognize Board members and artists.

3. Manage Live Performances that Bring Madison Heights Together

- 3.1 Host six (6) live concerts (Summer 2026)
- 3.2 Organize at least six (6) Performance Events at various parks, such as:
 - Trail Tunes • Improv Night • Yoga & Meditation • Live Craft Demo
 - Poetry Slam • Open Mic • Karaoke • Dancing under the Stars