

2023-2024 City Arts & Culture Workplan



Background

- Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS) Plan
 - Goal 6: Facilitate and promote comprehensive and engaging arts and culture experiences.
- 2022 City Arts and Culture Workplan Priorities
 - Priority 1. Stabilize Arts Council membership, volunteership, and operations.
 - Priority 2. Develop 2023-2024 City Arts and Culture workplan.
 - Priority 3. Garner community input on and support of City arts and culture.
 - Priority 4. Address City arts policy and procedure needs.



Committee Discussions

- First Policy Committee work item: Establish 2023-2024 City Arts and Culture Workplan
- Members: Rosemary Moore, Jonathan Harrington, Suzanne Skone
- Major topics of discussion:
 - Communication needs
 - Art Summit discussions
 - Stewarding sustainable practices
 - Encouraging diversity



Workplan Structure

- Example from 2022:
- *PRIORITY ITEM*: **PRIORITY 3**. Garner community input on and support of City Arts and Culture.
 - *OBJECTIVE ITEM*: **3.1** Deliver performing arts, visual arts, and other City arts and culture programs to the community.



2023-2024 Draft Priorities

Priority 1: Strengthen community awareness of and support for Mercer Island's arts & culture ecosystem.

Priority 2: Invite new dialogues and partnerships to support emerging arts and culture themes in the community.

Priority 3: Complete two major City arts and culture policy projects:

1. Update the Comprehensive Arts & Culture Plan (appendix to the Citywide Comprehensive Plan)
2. Develop a Six-Year Spending Plan for the 1% for the Art in Public Places Fund

Priority 4: Deliver high-quality arts and culture programming to the Mercer Island community.



Tonight

1. Discuss the priority items as a full group.
2. Discuss potential objectives for the 2023 – 2024 City Arts and Culture Workplan.
3. Discuss integration of Special Events Committee objectives and other suggestions regarding workplan priorities.



Next Steps

- Staff will refine a draft 2023-2024 City Arts and Culture Workplan.
- Staff will collaborate with the Policy Committee to review the draft.
- Staff will evaluate necessary resources needed to complete workplan items.
- The draft 2023-2024 City Arts and Culture Workplan will be presented at the January 2023 meeting for endorsement.

