



ARTS COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AC 26-02
January 21, 2026
Regular Business

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AC 26-02: MICEC Gallery Viewing & Reception	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	View the Indoor Gallery in the MICEC- engage with community members.	

STAFF:	Katie Herzog, Recreation Supervisor
EXHIBITS:	1. n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of the January meeting, at approximately 6:30pm, Arts Council members will visit the Mercer Island Community & Event Center (MICEC) indoor art gallery to view the current exhibition and participate in the public gallery reception. This visit provides an opportunity for Council members to engage with the City's public exhibition space, observe current gallery operations, and connect with community members attending the reception. The full extent of this agenda item will be open to the public.

BACKGROUND

The Mercer Island Community & Event Center's indoor art gallery is managed by the City of Mercer Island as a public exhibition space intended to enhance public access to the arts and enrich the Community Center environment.

The city partners with the Mercer Island Visual Arts League (MIVAL) to coordinate six exhibitions each year. This partnership complements the City's management of the gallery while strengthening connections to the local arts community. MIVAL schedules the exhibitions and is responsible for artwork installation and de-installation, artist communication, and gallery and reception marketing.

The Community Center gallery is currently featuring a collection of artwork and Island photography owned by the City of Mercer Island. The exhibition highlights work from the City's collection and is on display through February 27, 2026.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

At approximately 6:30pm, as part of the Arts Council meeting, members will tour the gallery exhibition and attend the reception with light refreshments. This agenda item is informational and provides an opportunity for Council members to engage with the exhibition and community and ask staff any questions they may have about the Gallery.

The full extent of this agenda item will be open to the public, and engagement with Arts Council members is appropriate and encouraged.

NEXT STEPS

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION

View the Indoor Gallery in the MICEC- engage with community members.