

INITIAL POINT GALLERY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Parks and Recreation Conference Room, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho

Friday, February 16, 2024 at 3:00 PM

MINUTES

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

___X_ Lizzie Taylor, Chair

___X__ Brecken Bird

___X_ Hannah Scoville

___X_ Shaun Muscolo

Also present was City staff Cassandra Schiffler, Arts and Culture Coordinator.

Meeting begins 3:08pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES [ACTION ITEM]

Approval: Initial Point Gallery Subcommittee Minutes from 1-19-24

H. Scoville moves to approve the minutes from the last meeting (1-19-24) S. Muscolo seconds All ayes

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discuss: BOSCO Panel Discussion Event March 5, noon - 1:00PM

B. Bird talked about the BOSCO discussion panel, how it will work and who the panelists will be.

S. Muscolo asked how the event will be promoted. B. Bird stated that as of now it will be primarily promoted through social media.

The subcommittee discussed a possible press release and other arts organizations to send the flyer to. S. Muscolo will send the flyer and information to the Watercolor Society. It will be included in the Parks and Rec newsletter and trying to get it on the TVAA newsletter was also discussed. L. Taylor said it is doubtful that the event can be promoted by TVAA because their newsletter comes out midmonth, but we should be able to get TVAA support for June/July IPG event and other such events in the future.

S. Muscolo asked when volunteers should arrive to help set up the event. L. Taylor stated that volunteers should arrive at 11:30am.

2. **Updates and Planning:** Initial Point Gallery: Current Exhibit "Dance Study" Collaborative Exhibit with BOSCO/Ballet Idaho (Opening: February 6, Host: Lizzie Taylor), "Stillness in the West" (Opening: April 2, Host: Shaun Muscolo)

L. Taylor summarized the "Dance Studies" opening that took place on February 6th, informed the subcommittee members of the upcoming exhibition "Stillness in the West", and encouraged all commissioners to come to the opening reception on April 2.

3. **Outreach Contact List:** Updating the Call to Artists Contact List to Update Contact Information with Attention to Including Underrepresented Groups and Individuals

L. Taylor discussed her efforts to update the list of contacts of underrepresented groups and individuals that was given to the commission by Jessica Peters. L. Taylor stated that the list is up to date as possible and can be used to send out calls to artists both for Initial Point Gallery and other projects from the Arts Commission.

4. **Discuss:** Adding Activities for IPG Programming For Two Month Long Shows (June/July; August/September; December/January)

L. Taylor opened a discussion about additional programing for two month long exhibitions at Initial Point Gallery. She stated there should probably not be additional gallery events held during the December/January show as the Arts Commission already does lots of special events for the holidays such as the Ornament drop and there is usually a lack of attendance and volunteers available during the holidays.

Cassandra Schiffler has reached out to the artists for the "Unplanned Experience" show in June/July, Pete and Tyler, and they have indicated that they are interested in doing artist talks. Although the 3D artist Kyla is not interested.

L. Taylor says she will work on the specifics of the artists talks. B. Bird asked when the event would be held, in the afternoon or evening on the first Tuesday in July. Cassandra indicated that it may be more convenient logistically to plan for the lunch hour.

H. Scoville and B. Bird were in favor of having the talk at the reception on the 4th of June. L. Taylor favors having the talk on the first Tuesday of July. B. Bird stated that there may be low attendance on the first week of July and that it would be

better to integrate the artist talks into the reception. L. Taylor stated that it might take up too much time of the reception and that because not **all** the artists agreed to participate in the talk that it might not be fair to everyone. S. Muscolo suggested that the artist talks could happen at 3:30pm an hour before the reception begins.

L. Taylor suggested that we don't do the artists talks at all for the June/July show. B. Bird suggested that we do have the artists give talks during the reception but have them only give brief artist statements about their work in a more relaxed format. It was discussed that the artists talks could potentially take place at a specific time during the event (Maybe 5:30) and be shorter in length (under 15 minutes).

The subcommittee agreed with B. Bird's suggestion. Cassandra Schiffer will contact the artists involved in the June/July show and inform them.

B. Bird moves to adjourn the meeting

S. Muscolo seconds

All ayes

NEXT MEETING - March 15, 2024

ADJOURNMENT 4:00pm