



## **Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission Staff Report**

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**Date: June 21, 2023**

**From: Erika Valentine, Arts & Culture Program Coordinator**

**Subject: Clackamas County Arts Alliance (CCAA) Artist Exhibit Program (AAEP)**

### **Recommended Action:**

Review and approve the Clackamas County Arts Alliance (CCAA) Artist Exhibit Program (AEP) for Wilsonville City Hall Gallery.

### **Background:**

Wilsonville City Hall currently has a gallery hanging system installed downstairs in the main hallway outside of the Council Chambers. Currently hanging up, there are black and white photographs of the Stein Boozier Barn, which have been up for several years. The current photographs do not have labels or signage, and do not rotate. The existing hanging system provides a good opportunity to showcase local artist's work and have rotating exhibits in a visible space.

Local nonprofit organization, Clackamas County Arts Alliance, runs a robust gallery program which showcases work of local artists. They place artists and their exhibits in approximately 15 gallery spaces throughout the county that participate in the program. These spaces include libraries, hospitals, county and city buildings and other public spaces.

CCAA has an Artist Exhibit Program Manager that runs the gallery program. They handle all artist correspondence, the application process, all exhibit scheduling, installations and take downs and assuring artists' work have everything required to be correctly hung. Additionally CCAA are already dialed into the local arts community, networking and marketing, assuring they get a high quality pool of applicants. CCAA also completes extra marketing efforts to advertise the exhibits. The exhibits rotate every three months.

The current exhibit space is a deemed a 'small gallery' and the rate for CCAA to oversee a small gallery is \$2,400 (paid annually), which would come from the Parks and Recreation budget. This amount would be pro-rated, depending when exhibits begin. There is no expense for the hanging system, as there already is one at City Hall.

### **Future Steps:**

City Staff will work with legal to complete a contract for CCAA. Staff would work with the Artist Exhibit program and exhibits would most likely begin in August.

### **Attachments:**

AEP Handbook  
New Venue Info