

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2025**

**5:00 P.M.**

**WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL  
FIRST FLOOR COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM,  
8300 SANTA MONICA BLVD.**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
  - A. Land Acknowledgement
  - B. Pledge of Allegiance
  - C. Roll Call
  - D. Approval of the Agenda
  - E. Approval of the April 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes

F. Public Comment

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2. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following routine matters can be acted upon by one motion. Individual items may be removed by the Commission for separate discussion. Items removed for separate discussion will be heard following New Business items.

A. **Posting of the Agenda**

The agenda was posted per proper noticing procedures at City Hall, Plummer Park, West Hollywood Library and West Hollywood Sheriff's Station.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

3. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. **Commissioner Outreach to the Public**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will continue a conversation about methods of how Commissioners can share information about arts and culture programming with the community

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss and provide feedback as necessary.

B. **Performing Arts and Cultural Affairs Subcommittee Report**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will receive a report from the Performing Arts and Cultural Affairs Subcommittee on its meeting held May 8, 2025, and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) Recommend that the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission approve the applications for the Peer Review Panelist Roster from Adelaide Kuehn, Alexis Hyde, Andrea Bastug, Brenda Reynolds, Brian Sonia-Wallace, Chandra Jackson, Clay Ngo, Collette Rutherford, Cornelia Emerson, Cory Bilicko, Daniyar Aynitdinov, Deirdre Marlowe, Dena Derakhshan, Devon Caranicas, Emily Gallagher, Emily Wanserski, Erin Adams, Fletcher Crossman, Greg Cuellar, James (Shamey) Cramer, Jen Cheng, Jill Johnson, Jon Gentry, Juan Silverio, Katie Bright, Kiera Bratton-Lewis, Larry Laboe, Lee Lawlor, Lucy Wang, Mallery Jenna Robinson, MJ Kang, Monk Turner, Renée, Rezman, Rubén Esparza, Sam Hassett, Shaghayegh Cyrous, Sheldon Larry, Sibylla Nash, Steve Galindo, and Yash Bhutada and decline the applications from Jim Aframian, Hera Anderson, Luis Arevalo, Louis Jacinto, Jainai Jeffries, and Angela Su; authorize staff to secure peer review panelists for the Arts Grant Program and provide an honorarium for panelists who serve.

- 2) Recommend that the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission approve a method of artist selection to include an RFQ for performance arts organizations to present an interactive and educational project in the City, black owned/led performance art companies are especially desirable, invite semi-finalists to submit proposals for consideration, and select a finalist for the project to be presented in observance of Black History Month in February 2026, as discussed with staff and recommended by the Subcommittee.
- 3) Recommend the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission approve Coeurage Ensemble to present an in-person theatrical production in September 2025 at Kings Road Park for the City's Free Theatre Program.

**C. Urban Art Subcommittee Report**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will receive a report from the Urban Art Subcommittee on its meeting held May 15, 2025, and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend that the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission approve Allison Kunath for the creation of a new urban artwork for the city-owned Holloway Interim Housing project (The Holloway).

**D. Art on the Outside Subcommittee Report**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will receive a report from the Art on the Outside Subcommittee on its meeting held May 29, 2025, and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive and file the Art on the Outside Subcommittee Report, and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**E. Library Cultural Programming Committee Report**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will receive a report from the Library Cultural Programming Committee on its meeting held May 14, 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive and file the report.

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Arts Programming in Recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month in May 2026**

The Commission will consider ways to highlight and support Jewish American Heritage artists, determine eligible project types, a selection process to develop arts programming in observance of Jewish American Heritage Month in May 2026.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Provide feedback and direct this item to the appropriate Subcommittee for further deliberation and planning.

**B. Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission New Subcommittee Meeting Schedule and Draft Work Plan for FY25-26**

The Commission will receive a presentation from staff regarding the Subcommittee schedule change and consider the draft FY25-26 Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission Work Plan.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the draft FY25-26 Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission Work Plan.

**5. EXCLUDED CONSENT**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**7. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

**8. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF**

**9. DEVELOPMENT OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

The Commission will advise staff on the development of the agenda for the meeting on Thursday, June 26, 2025.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will adjourn to its next meeting on Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. to be held at the West Hollywood City Hall Community Meeting Room located at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard.

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