

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

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 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 July 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- F. Public Comment

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**2. ARTS MANAGER’S UPDATE**

**3. 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.

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Urban Art Subcommittee Report**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will receive a report from the Urban Art Subcommittee on its meeting held August 21, 2025 and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve David Kim for the creation of a new urban artwork for the city-owned West Hollywood Recover Center project (WHRC Log Cabin).

**B. 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 September 11, 2025, and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) Approve the artworks *Lost Mind* by Sara Silkin for exhibition at 8743 Sunset Boulevard (Invisible Frame), and *MORPH* by Nina McNeely for exhibition at 8775 Sunset Boulevard (Sunset Spectacular) from October 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026.
- 2) Approve the artworks *Sundown* by Isabel Beavers for exhibition at 8497 Sunset Boulevard (The NOW) and *Various Untitled Works (2022)* by Diana Thater at 8501 Sunset Boulevard (SunCienega) from October 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026.
- 3) Approve Brendan Monroe, Bonnie Turner, Charles Clear, Brooklynd Flowers, Ioannis Patalias, The art of chase, Inc., Ernie Nazarian, Mars Wright, Latoya Peoples, Kevin Johnson, Elliot Klein, Hannah Webb, and Angela Willcocks for the WeHo Muralist Roster.

- 4) Decline applications from Hees Hees, Jane Lee, Sean Demalleville, Skeith Dewine, and Katie McGuire for the WeHo Muralist Roster.
- 5) Approve the artist selection process and Plummer Park location for a temporary basketball court mural to be installed in February 2026.

**C. 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 September 11, 2025, and consider ratifying recommendations proposed by the Subcommittee.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) Approve the funding allocation recommendations for the 2026 Arts Project Grant category; including: West Coast Singers, Rogue Artists Ensemble, Greenway Arts Alliance, Beyond Baroque, One Institute, Banjee Ball Foundation, Helix Collective, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Heidi Duckler Dance, Prism Comics Inc., MashUp Contemporary Dance Company, and South East European Film Festival;
- 2) Approve the funding allocation recommendations for the 2026 Community Arts Grant, including: Ammunition Theatre Company, Women Who Submit, Jennifer Cheng, Leopold Nunan Soares, Jamison Riley Edgar, and Karin Tatsuoka;
- 3) Approve the funding allocation recommendations for the 2026 TGI+ Arts, including: Wesleigh Gates, Socks Whitmore, Lovely Bouquet of Flowers, Samara Goodman, Zo Shay, and LZ Love;
- 4) Approve the funding allocation recommendations for the 2026 Filmmakers Grant, including: Little Heart Film, Anthony Meindl, Keith Glassman Dance & Performance, and Aaron Bear;
- 5) Approve the funding allocation recommendations for the 2026 WeHo Artist Grant, including: Kylie Vincent, James M. Hoffman, Marco Palou, Patricia Hautéa de Padua, Julia Stephens, and Omid Omidvar.

**D. Library Cultural Programming Committee Report**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will receive the report from the Library Cultural Programming Committee (LCPC) and make recommendations for three artists to receive exhibition awards for the Heart of WeHo open call group exhibition, a 40th anniversary of cityhood exhibition.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) Approve the revised LCPC Guidelines and Application.
- 2) Receive and file the LCPC report including:
  - a. Authorize City's Arts Division to promote the West Hollywood Library's event on October 28, 2025, LGBTQ+ Book Club Discussing Outliving

Michael by Steven Reigns through the Arts Division's promotional channels.

- b. Approval of 33 artwork selections for the Heart of WeHo Open Call Group Exhibition, a 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cityhood exhibition celebrating places in West Hollywood, by Benjamin Marker, Christina Yi, Eryn Parker-Ross aka LP Ækili Ross, Frank Rozasy (2), Gregg Shore (2), Hao Jing, Hera Anderson, Jeff McMullen and David McCullough, Joanne Chase-Mattillo, Kayte Deioma (3), Kieran Wright aka Small Scale LA, Mary Roth, Michael Osborne aka MisterOsborne (2), Miggie Wong, Nathan Becker, Pascaline/ Bruno Doucin Dahlke, Pascaline Doucin Dahlke, Rachel Finkelstein, Richard Tucci aka Ricardo Tomasz, Ricky Sencion aka Little Ricky, Robert Heavrin (3), Robert Landau, Rupert Lyon, Scott Lewallen aka Sküt, Shelley Heffler, and Zoe Balsam Biggs.
  - c. Decline of 20 artworks for the Heart of WeHo Open Call Group Exhibition, on the basis of the LCPC Review Criteria Guidelines of Aesthetics, Diversity, and Intended Audience, by Armani Freeman, Bumdog Torres, David Lampel, Francesco Brunetti, Gregg Shore (2), Joanne Chase-Mattillo (2), Kayte Deioma (6), Nathan Becker, Richard Tucci, and Robert Heavrin (4).
- 3) Select 3 artists selected for the Heart of WeHo exhibition to receive monetary prizes based on their artwork's artistry, aesthetics and adherence to the exhibition theme as follows: 1st place (\$350), 2nd place (\$250), 3rd place (\$150).

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission Subcommittee Structures and Appointments

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will consider approval of its Subcommittee's structures (Performing Arts and Cultural Affairs Subcommittee, Urban Art Subcommittee, and Art on the Outside Subcommittee) for FY2026 as proposed by the Chair and consider appointing a commissioner to serve on the Library Cultural Programming Committee.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Subcommittee structures for FY2026 for the Performing Arts and Cultural Affairs Subcommittee, Urban Art Subcommittee, and Art on the Outside Subcommittee, and appointment of a Commissioner to serve on the Library Cultural Programming Committee.

### B. 2025 Harvey Milk Day and WeHo Pride Arts Festival Final Reports and 2026-28 Recommendations

The Commission will receive final reports on the City's 2025 Harvey Milk Day event and WeHo Pride Arts Festival program and consider recommendations for 2026-2028.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1) Receive and file a final report on the City's 2025 Harvey Milk Day event and the City's 2025 WeHo Pride Arts Festival.
- 2) Provide recommendations for the City's 2026 Harvey Milk Day event.
- 3) Provide recommendations for the 2026-2028 WeHo Pride Arts Festival including dates.
- 4) Recommend the City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate a three-year agreement with the Los Angeles LGBT Center to host and produce the WeHo Pride Arts Festival for the next 3 years, 2026, 2027, and 2028, with annual reviews to make sure that performance expectations are met.

**6. EXCLUDED CONSENT**

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

**9. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF**

**10. DEVELOPMENT OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

The Commission will advise staff on the development of the agenda for the meeting on Thursday, October 23, 2025.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission will adjourn to its **meeting on Thursday, October 23, 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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Date:                   **September 18, 2025**

Signature:            *Eric Matikosh*  
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