



Connecticut Arts Council Meeting

Monday April 4, 2022

1:00 pm

Via Zoom

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes from March meeting
3. Introduction of Steph Burr Executive Director, <http://artsnwct.org/>
Discussion of the role of Northwest Connecticut Arts Council and interfacing with the Council
4. Office of the Arts Action Items: None
5. Committee report of Governors Arts Awards
6. Chairman's Report – Jack Rosenberg
Old Business
Friends of the Arts Council: Invitations, process for inclusion.
Youth Council: discussion to make motion to create.
Foundation Development: Policies & Procedures, Scope of Activities
New Business
Participation of Council members in local & state-wide events
Discussion of Proposal to Advise Office of the Arts as regards Artists' Fees and Costs in the
Not-for-profit sector (See Appendix)
Social Media presence for Council
7. Director's Report – Liz Shapiro
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

The next Connecticut Arts Council meeting is Monday May 2, 2022 at 1:00pm via Zoom.

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Appendix

Preface:

Many of the state arts organizations require artists to pay fees to participate in exhibitions and/or events. These fees are in addition to the share of proceeds the organization takes from sales of artworks. This is a part of the organization fund raising efforts. As many artists cannot afford to pay entry fees, membership fees, hanging/exhibition fees, this pattern of raising funds is inequitable.

Most, if any, performing arts do not charge for auditions or for the opportunity of participating in the art form. Visual artists, including film-makers, painters, sculptors, are usually required to pay an entry/application fee. This is unacceptable.

The Arts Council to consider a Proposal to change the behavior of organizations supported financially by the Office of the Arts. This might take a two-pronged approach:

1. Organizations which fund-raise on the backs of artists cannot receive public funds through the Office of the Arts.
2. Organizations which certify that they do not fund-raise from participating artists can receive additional funds from the Office of the Arts, in order to recompensate for the loss of income in artists fees.