

## WASHINGTON STATE ARTS COMMISSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 / Virtual

### Commissioners Present

Dr. Kelvin Frank  
Reinaldo Gil Zambrano  
Wesley Jessup  
Lee Lyttle  
Jasmine Mahmoud, PhD  
Diane Martindale  
Monica Miller  
Catherine Nueva España, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chair  
Faaluaina Pritchard  
Justin Raffa, Chair  
Charlie Robin  
Rosanna Sharpe, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair  
Judy Tuohy  
Senator Lisa Wellman

### Commissioners Absent

Robin Avni  
Andre Bouchard  
Claudia Castro Luna  
Linley Logan  
Representative Jacquelin Maycumber  
Joan McBride  
Sheree Wen  
Representative Sharon Wylie

### ArtsWA Staff Present

Jonah Barrett, Collections Assistant  
Miguel Guillén, Program Manager, Grants to Organizations  
Karen Hanan, Executive Director  
Janae Huber, Collections Manager  
Linnea Ingalls, Grants to Organizations Program Specialist  
Adrienne Kerrigan, Community Relations Program Assistant  
Tamar Krames, Arts in Education Program Manager  
Thea Mercer, ArtsWA GTO Contractor  
Leslie Pope, Executive Assistant  
Annette Roth, Community Development Manager  
Alexis Sarah, Early Learning Project Manager  
Deane Shellman, Deputy Director  
Mike Sweney, Art in Public Places Program Manager  
Michael Wallenfels, Communications Manager

### Guests & Speakers

Thomas Grant Richardson, incoming Director, Center for Washington Cultural Traditions  
Dr. Langston Wilkins, outgoing Director, Center for Washington Cultural Traditions

For a full transcript of the meeting, please view recording at <https://tww.org/video/Washington-State-Arts-Commission-2022061115/?eventID=2022061115>

## Call to Order / Land Acknowledgement / Roll Call

Raffa, ArtsWA Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Pritchard gave the land acknowledgement. Public comment rules were shared.

A MOTION to approve the agenda was made by Pritchard, seconded by Nueva España, and passed unanimously.

## Arts in Education: FY23 AIE Partnership Grant & Creative Start Grant

Tamar thanked Commissioner Zambrano for serving as a panelist, as well as all other panelists. It was a heavy lift to review applications and participate on this panel.

A MOTION for the Board to approve the panel recommendations for the AIE Partnership Grant and Creative Start was made by Pritchard and seconded by Senator Wellman. Raffa called for conflicts of interest:

AIE Partnership & Creative Start Grants	
Board Member	Affiliation
Wes Jessup	Eastern Washington State Historical Society dba Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture
Jasmine Mahmoud	TeenTix
Faaluaina Pritchard	Asia Pacific Cultural Center
Justin Raffa	Mid-Columbia Mastersingers

The MOTION passed unanimously with four recusals and no abstentions.

## Grants to Organizations

### FY23 ReVive Washington

Guillén acknowledged Ingalls, ArtsWA Grants to Organizations Program Coordinator, and Mercer, ArtsWA Contractor, who worked hard on these grants. Ingalls reviewed application data and the grants process.

A MOTION for the Board to ratify the Executive Director's decision to approve the panel's recommendation for FY23 ReVive Washington Groups (A) and (B) totaling \$196,900 was made by Sharpe and seconded by Lyttle. Raffa called for conflicts of interest:

ReVive Grants	
Board Member	Affiliation
Wes Jessup	Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture
Jasmine Mahmoud	On the Boards, TeenTix
Catherine Nueva España	On the Boards
Faaluaina Pritchard	Asia Pacific Cultural Center
Judy Tuohy	Arts Council of Snohomish County (Schack Art Center)

The MOTION passed unanimously with five recusals and no abstentions.

### FY23 ReNew Washington in Partnership with Shunpike

A MOTION for the Board to ratify the Executive Director’s decision to approve the panel’s recommendation for FY23 ReNew Washington grants totaling \$85,600 was made by Lyttle and seconded by Tuohy. Raffa called for conflicts of interest and there were none.

The MOTION passed unanimously with no recusals and no abstentions.

### FY23 ReStart Washington

A MOTION for the Board to ratify the Executive Director’s decision to approve the panel’s recommendation for FY23 ReStart Washington grants totaling \$454,000 was made by Lyttle and seconded by Dr. Frank. Raffa called for conflicts of interest:

ReStart Grants	
Board Member	Affiliation
Wes Jessup	Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture
Jasmine Mahmoud	On the Boards, TeenTix, Shattered Glass
Diane Martindale	San Juan Islands Museum of Art
Monica Miller	Gallery One
Catherine Nueva España	On the Boards
Justin Raffa	Yakima Symphony Orchestra; Mid-Columbia Mastersingers
Judy Tuohy	Arts Council of Snohomish County/Schack Art Center

The MOTION passed unanimously with seven recusals and no abstentions.

### FY23 Art Service Organization Support

A MOTION for the Board to approve the panel’s recommendation for FY23 Art Service Organization grants totaling \$73,000 was made by Lyttle and seconded by Sharpe. Raffa called for conflicts of interest and there were none.

The MOTION passed with no recusals or abstentions.

### Art in Public Places Deaccession

Huber, Collections Manager, explained that ArtsWA is responsible for the deaccession, or removal, of artwork from the State Art Collection in accordance with our Board-approved collections management policy, *ArtCare: Collections Management Policy for Washington’s State Art Collection* (approved by the Board August 7, 2018). Deaccession helps maintain the integrity of the State Art Collection (packet pp. 37-38).

A MOTION for the Board to approve the panel's recommendation to deaccession *River of Time* (1994) by Thompson Brennan from the State Art Collection because it has lost its environment or architectural support was made by Sharpe and seconded by Senator Wellman. There were no conflicts of interest. The MOTION passed unanimously.

## Center for Washington Cultural Traditions

Dr. Langston Wilkins, outgoing Director, provided an update on the Center for Washington Cultural Traditions programs. In August, he will be moving to Wisconsin to assume the position of Assistant Professor of Folklore and African American Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The incoming Director, Thomas Grant Richardson, was introduced. He will present at the August board meeting.

## Board Development and Nominating Committee Process

Sharpe, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair and Nominating Committee Chair, reviewed the survey and slate of officers process. Commissioners were asked to complete the survey to provide valuable information that will be included in a report to the Board in August. Election for Board officers will be held at that time.

## Public Comment

No members of the public were present to make comment.

## Adjourn

Raffa reviewed the upcoming important dates listed on the agenda. He adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m.