

**IDAHO COMMISSION ON THE ARTS
DRAFT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2023
BYU Idaho, Rexburg, Idaho**

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THE COMMISSION AT ITS NEXT MEETING**

Commissioners Present

Steve Allred, Chair
Diana Livingston Friedley, Vice Chair
Miyai Abe Griggs
Marsha Bjornn
Derek Dean
Kate Fornarotto
Marshall Garrett
Sheila Hennessey
Jared Johnson
Julia Oxarango-Ingram
Blair Williams

At-Large Members Present

Alison Brush
Lynette Hale

Commissioners Absent/Excused

Sandra Fery
Adrian San Miguel

Staff Present

Michael Faison, Executive Director
Stuart Weiser, Deputy Director
Jadee Carson, Grants Manager (via Zoom)
Alison Espindola, Community Development
Program Director
Steven Hatcher, Folk & Traditional Arts
Program Director (via Zoom)
John McMahon, Artist Services Director
Jocelyn Robertson, PIO/Literature program
Director (via Zoom)
Laura Roghaar, Arts Learning Services
Program Director

Members of the Public Present

Philip Horn (via Zoom)

Chair Steve Allred called the meeting to order on Friday, May 5, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. MT.

Participants introduced themselves. Executive Director Michael Faison called the roll. Philip Horn, former executive director of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts congratulated Director Faison on his pending retirement.

Chair Allred requested a motion to approve the Agenda.

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| Vice Chair Diana Livingston Friedley made a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Sheila Hennessey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. |
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Chair Allred asked for corrections to the Consent Agenda. Corrections were made to minutes within the Consent Agenda. Chair Allred requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including the corrected minutes.

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| Vice Chair Livingston Friedley made a motion to approve the corrected Consent Agenda. Commissioner Marshall Garrett seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. |
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The group discussed the agency calendar and upcoming meetings.

Director Faison reviewed the FY 2024 Preliminary Budget Recommendation. He requested its approval.

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| Vice Chair Livingston Friedley made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Preliminary Budget. Commissioner Blair Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. |
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There was no public comment.

Arts Learning Services Program Director Laura Roghaar and the panel chair, Commissioner Kate Fornarotto discussed the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Grant panel and funding recommendations.

Chair Allred requested a motion to approve the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to applications for which there were no conflicts among the commissioners and at-large members present. He noted that applications from the following organizations were not covered by this motion: The Art Museum of Eastern Idaho; Idaho State Civic Symphony; Opera Idaho; and Coeur d'Alene School District, Sorensen Magnet School of the Arts and Humanities.

Commissioner Derek Dean made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Grant Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to applications for which there were no conflicts. Commissioner Hennessey seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hennessey made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Grant Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to The Art Museum of Eastern Idaho. Commissioner Dean seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Miyai Abe Griggs recused herself from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Grant Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to Coeur d'Alene School District, Sorensen Magnet School. Commissioner Dean seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Williams recused herself from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Grant Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to Idaho State Civic Symphony. Commissioner Dean seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Vice Chair Livingston Friedley recused herself from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Hennessey made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Arts Education Project Grant Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to Opera Idaho. Commissioner Jared Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Vice Chair Livingston Friedley and Commissioner Garrett recused themselves from discussion and voting.

Folk and Traditional Arts Program Director Steven Hatcher and the panel chair, Chair Allred discussed the FY 2024 Traditional Arts Apprenticeships grant panel and funding recommendations.

Chair Allred requested a motion to approve FY 2024 Traditional Arts Apprenticeship funding recommendations.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Traditional Arts Apprenticeship funding recommendations. Vice Chair Livingston Friedley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Artist Services Program Director John McMahon and the panel chair, Vice Chair Livingston Friedley discussed the FY 2024 Performing and Media Arts Fellowships grant panel and funding recommendations.

Chair Allred requested a motion to approve FY 2024 Performing and Media Arts Fellowships funding recommendations.

Commissioner Hennessey made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Performing and Media Arts Fellowships funding recommendations. Vice Chair Livingston Friedley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Literature Program Director and PIO Jocelyn Robertson and the panel chair, Commissioner Abe Griggs discussed the FY 2024 Literature Fellowships and Writer in Residence panel and funding recommendations.

Chair Allred requested a motion to approve FY 2024 Literature Fellowships and Writer in Residence recommendations.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve FY 2024 Literature Fellowships and Writer in Residence recommendations. Commissioner Abe Griggs seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Community Development Program Director Alison Espindola and the panel chair, Commissioner Williams discussed the FY 2024 Public Entry Track grant panel, Entry Track/Public Programs in the Arts funding recommendations.

Chair Allred requested a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to applications for which there were no conflicts among the commissioners and at-large members present. He noted that applications from the following organizations were not covered by this motion: The Art Museum of Eastern Idaho; Boise State University, Morrison Center for the Performing Arts; Idaho State Civic Symphony; Opera Idaho; and University of Idaho, Auditorium Chamber Music Series.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to applications for which there were no conflicts. Commissioner Dean seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to The Art Museum of Eastern Idaho. Commissioner Williams seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Abe Griggs recused herself from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to Boise State University, Morrison Center for the Performing Arts. Commissioner Dean seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Garrett recused himself from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to Idaho State Civic Symphony. Commissioner Hennessey seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Vice Chair Livingston Friedley recused herself from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to the University of Idaho, Auditorium Chamber Music Series. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Commissioners Hennessey and Williams recused themselves from discussion and voting.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the FY 2024 PPA/Entry Track Funding Formula, Option Two, as applied to Opera Idaho. Commissioner Marsha Bjornn seconded. The motion carried

unanimously. Vice Chair Livingston Friedley and Commissioner Garrett recused themselves from discussion and voting.

Staff provided updates for grant programs and non-grant programs, including expectations for FY 2024 and FY 2025.

Director Faison delivered his final director's report. There was discussion of the director search. Faison expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve for the past 16 years. Key points he made for the agency, moving forward: continue to simplify grantmaking; design and refine grant programs in which applicants may reasonably get what they expect, if not what they want; pay attention to grant application transaction costs; listen to constituents' needs; think beyond the arts grant—if constituents ask for money, ask them what the money will help them to do, then help them to do it; focus on access to the arts for the underserved, both rural and socio-economic; be reliable; and be grateful for the opportunity to serve.

There was no executive session.

Chair Allred adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m. MT.

Addendum: Area Reports were provided by commissioners in advance of the meeting.

Chair Steve Allred provided his area report.

- Grace High School is performing the musical, *Some Like It Hot* at the Gem Valley Performing Arts Center on April 28th - May 1st. It is an adaptation from the famous movie.
- The Montpelier Community Foundation and the Oregon Trail Center are hosting a fundraiser dinner concert featuring the Snake River New Horizons Band performing movie themes, big band era songs and Broadway tunes. Event is on May 13th.
- The Bear Lake Arts Council will be performing *Arsenic and Old Lace* from June 5th -17th in Montpelier. They also plan on putting on the play "Clue" this fall.
- The Oregon Trail Center is planning on hosting 5 or 6 dinner concerts this year once their Allinger Community Theatre is repaired. They have experienced some wiring and lighting damages that are currently being diagnosed.

Marsha Bjornn provided her area report.

Center Stage Concert Series - May 20 Mariachi Herencia de Mexia - Grammy nominated group.

Driggs: Jan -16 to Jan 21 Artists sculpted out of snow and there was voting in the community on the best snow sculpture; Plein Air Festival July 19-29; Downtown Sounds music concert series throughout the summer; Shakespeare in the Park.

St. Anthony: Allison covered the art lab. Every summer they do a Broadway play over the 24th of July for several days which always sells out. In May there is the Bauer Cup award of \$7,000 for 1st place and \$5,000 for 2nd, given by a benefactor for high school juniors and seniors only from their high school.

Rexburg: In April there was a Family Community Choir; March 10-13, a 3rd Annual Quilt Show took place; every Monday is free movie night; there are art classes for all ages; May 6 The Chamber Choir of Idaho will perform, "The Joy of Living and Loving"; May 15 the Upper Valley Women's Choir will perform *Sing Me Some Mountain Music*; Rexburg Tabernacle Orchestra will perform, July 5-14. There is a Children's Theatre Camp and Teen Theatre Camp from July 31 to Aug 11. They will perform *Newsies Jr.* There will be summer concert series in "Arts in the Parks", Sep. 3 will be Community Concert: The Beatles. Art Stroll every first Friday.

BYU-Idaho: There is a full calendar, so I won't report every single event.

Visual Art Exhibits: April 28-May 31.

"The Holy Ordinary: A Recollection of Memories and Materials," by Jason Lanegan. July 9-19

"Objects That Were left Behind," (Lithographs, collages, 3D assemblages) by Wayne Kimball.

Music Events: April 23 Rocky Mountain Strings; April 27 Organ Concert "Organ Music by Great Pianists," Marsha Bjornn; May 4 Organ Concert - Planets; May 6 Kindness Trio and Choir; May 18 Symphonic Band w/ University Band; May 25 Symphony Orchestra; May 25 Mighty Oaks Jazz Recital; June 15 Baroque Ensemble; June 15 Harp Recital; June 20 Faculty Brass Quintet; June 22 Doug Rohan Guest Piano Recital; Percussion Rix Stix on July 7.

Theatre: May 24-26, 30 June 2, *No Fish In the House*. June 23-July1, 5-8, *Sense and Sensibility*.

Dance: June 11-15 Extravadance.

At-large member Alison Brush provided her area report.

Teton Valley area report. We are still melting out from snow while the spring is "off season." We're gearing up for a lively summer of arts activities and events.

Downtown Driggs Association – Driggs Summer Arts

First Friday Art Walks

July 3 - 6pm | Sister Karee and the Other Brothers.

July 20 – 30 I Driggs Plein Air Festival.

July 20- Sept 9 I Driggs Plein Air Festival Exhibition and Sale.

July 23 - 6pm | Batdorf & *The Brother Wolf*.

July 26 - 6pm | Windsync performance of *Peter and the Wolf*.

July 27 - 10:30am | Windsync performance of *Interstellar Cinderella*.

July 28 - 6pm | WindSync Gardens and Galaxies Recital.

Aug 8 - 6pm I Shakespeare in the Parks, *The Three Musketeers* by Alexandre Dumas.

September 14 - 5:30pm | An Evening of Three Operettas with the Colorado Chamber Orchestra and Opera: Miracles, Sacred Clown, and Mercy Killing.

September 15 - 5:30pm | Miracles Operetta & Legends and Lessons of the Last Locust Presentation.

September 16 - 6pm | Nicolas Meier Trio.

Act Foundation:

June - Drama camp week ages 6 to 12.

July 6,7,8 - Adventures in Oz. An original adapted script from the book, *Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum.

August - Melodrama, *The Good 'Ol Days* at Pierre's Theater in Victor with a catered dinner and interactive performance.

Ongoing - Workshops for the community: Voice acting, Musical Instructions, AV training.

Teton Arts:

After school programming 4 days a week - over 45 students weekly.

Ongoing weekly adult ceramics classes.

March – May - Sue Tyler 4-part painting workshop.

June – Stained Glass - 6 workshops.

Summer – Summer camp for over 1,000 campers.

Teton Valley Foundation

June 22-Aug 10- Thursday evenings in Victor.

17th Annual Music on Main's outdoor concert series.

1st Annual Teton Valley Fall Arts Festival

Sept 12-17- valley-wide open studios, collaborations with businesses and art events (TBD).

I just happened to be talking with the Idaho Art Lab in neighboring St. Anthony, so I can also share this update.

Idaho Art Lab

Ongoing certification classes in pottery, sculpture, printmaking, gems, jewelry, video production, animation, and paper arts.

June 19 - 24, Plein Air in the Parks - Yellowstone National Park, in collaboration with the Yellowstone Institute.

July 19 - 22, Plein Air in the Parks - Harriman State Park, in collaboration with Idaho State Parks and Recreation.

September 6 - 11, Plein Air in the Parks - Yellowstone National Park under a special use permit of the National Parks Service.

Saturday, September 16, 2:00 - 5:00pm: Big Art Expo. Artist demos in 14 labs

Fall – Hollywood Special Effects series of 5-day workshops.

Vice Chair Diana Livingston Friedley and Commissioner Kate Fornarotto provided their combined area report.

ISU & Portneuf Valley Performing-Pocatello/Visual Arts Spring Happenings

Idaho State University

- 1.28 Day of Percussion
- 1.28 Broadway Lights POPS Concert
- 2.7 Art a la Carte Silent Auction
- 2.11 ISU Jazz Festival
- 2.17 Cendrillon Opera production
- 3.9 Frank Church Symposium and associated events
- 3.29 Play Mario Kart 8 with live music from the ISU Video Game Music Ensemble!
- 4.22 Book of Will, ISU Theatre
- 4.28 Portneuf Chamber Music Concert - Old Firehouse (Old Town)
- 6.2023 Summer Institute for Strings and Piano (SIPS)

Community Arts Events

Snake River Strings opened a second location in Pocatello. They instruct all ages on everything and everything that is “string”! This summer they are hosting music camps for all ages with lots of opportunities to perform.

Palace Playhouse's lineup includes: *Newsies*; *Sister Act*; and *School House Rock*. They are also hosting a summer theater camp for kids.

Westside Players: *A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder*, and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf?*

Old Town Actors Studio presents: *Do You Turn Somersaults* by Aleksei Arbuzov and Ariadne Nicolaëff and *As You Like It* by William Shakespeare

Farm Bureau Summer Musical at ISU: June 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 will be: *High School Musical*, directed and choreographed by Michael Jenkinson.

Commissioner Marshall Garrett provided his area report.

Boise Area Report, April 30, 2023.

Opera Idaho:

Critical Mass Vocal Artists, *A World of Song*, 5/20/23, 7:30PM, 1st Presbyterian Church.
Opera In The Park, 7/28/23, 7:30PM, Gene Harris Bandshell / Julia Davis Park.

Surel's Place

Rafi Munz presents residency work, 7:00PM, 5/9/23.
Diane Raptosh, *From Eternity's Yurt: A Night of Poetry, Philosophy & Music*, 5/13/23, 7:00PM.
Fundraising Garden Party w/ Eilen Jewell, 8:00PM, 6/20/23.

Story, Story Night

The American Dream: Marriage, 6/13/23, 8:00PM, Old Idaho Penitentiary.

The Cabin

Samantha Irby in conversation w/ Lindy West, 7:30PM, 6/1/23, Egyptian Theater.
Kwame Adjei-Brenyah in conversation w/ Alan Heathcock, 7:30PM, 5/23/23, Old Idaho Penitentiary.

Boise Jazz Society

Brandon Goldberg Quartet, 4:00 and 6:30PM, 5/15/23, Morrison Center Recital Hall
Dianne Reeves with Romero Lubambo, 5:00 and 8PM, 6/23/23, Morrison Center Recital Hall

Commissioner Miyai Abe Griggs provided her area report.

IDAHO FALLS AREA REPORT

IFYAC – Idaho Falls Youth Arts Centre

Summer Theatre Camp – Disney's Frozen, Jr. Camp begins June 5th and culminates in performances on June 22 and 23, 2023.

Variety of music and dance classes for kids.

Idaho Falls Arts Council

Gallery Walks (7 participating venues around downtown): 1st Thurs of each month from May – Oct
Colonial Theatre:

5/5–5/6 Idaho Ballet Theatre presents *Little Red Riding Hood*.

5/11 Michele Voillequé.

5/12 Judy Collins Live in Concert.

Visit <https://www.idahofallsarts.org/calendar/#> for more shows.

Willard Arts Center, Art Exhibitions:

3/16 – 5/28 *15th Annual National Juried Exhibition*.

6/1 – 9/3 *Elemental: Avianne, Beth Trott, Gary Peer, & Michael Norsk.*

Classes: \$4 Art Classes every Wednesday through the Summer! Noon - 1 pm, Ages 5-8.

Idaho Falls Symphony

4/29 Season Finale: Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, Civic Center for the Performing Arts.

5/12 The Idaho Falls Symphony Gala 2023, Mountain America Center.

Eagle Rock Art Guild

68th Annual Sidewalk Art Festival July 22–23, on the Greenbelt, food trucks, live music, face painting and art activities for kids, etc.

Celebrating ERAG's 75th Anniversary in 2023. The Art Museum (TAM) will be exhibiting pieces from ERAG's permanent collection this summer in celebration.

The Art Museum of Eastern Idaho (TAM)

May 4 – August 12, *Eagle Rock Art Guild Permanent Collection*. As the oldest art guild in Idaho, the organization has nurtured the development of generations of eastern Idaho artists for 75yrs, May 4 - June 24 The Art of Kathleen Whitaker & Idaho Watercolor Society Regional Show

June 27 - August 12 The Art of Melissa Reche & Gallery 12.

Art classes, summer camps/workshops for adults and children (scholarships available): Ongoing.

The Actors' Repertory Theatre of Idaho (ARTI)

Eastern Idaho's BEST Mature Audience Dinner Theatre concludes their 35th season with *Parasite Drag*, June 2 – 24.

Idaho Falls Zoo

Sippin' Safari Concert Series June 9, July 14, and August 11, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM. An evening sippin' good time while you stroll through the zoo and listen to live music from local bands.

Watercolor in the Wild June 21, July 19, and August 16, 1pm - 3pm. Join artist Twyla Mahelona for watercolor lessons in this summer series. All funds raised support the Idaho Falls Zoo.

At-large member Lynette Hale provided her area report.

Mini-Cassia Area Report

Burley High School Orchestra Concert May 9th at the King Fine Arts Center.

“The Veiled Vocalist,” A Dinner, and Silent Auction presented by OAKLEY VALLEY ARTS COUNCIL on May 13, 2023 at the Historic Wilson Theatre in Rupert. Proceeds going toward the roof replacement of OVAC’s Howell Opera House in Oakley.

Minico High School’s “Gala Concert,” presenting the school’s Choirs, Bands, and Orchestra together in concert, will be held at Minico’s Main Gym on May 18th.

The Wizard of Oz will play at the Historic Wilson Theater in Rupert will present from June 27th – 30th, July 1st and 3rd.

Magic Valley Folk Festival will be held July 24th – 29th, with various events held in Burley and Rupert. For more information, visit <http://magicvalleyfolkfestival.com>

Commissioner Sheila Hennessey provided her area report.

Boise Contemporary Theater is closing its 25th anniversary season with *The Christians*, a play by acclaimed contemporary playwright Lucas Hnath. True to BCT’s mission, the play is thought-provoking rather than didactic. Cast members hail from New York (including Sheila Hennessey’s daughter), Los Angeles, and Boise, BCT holds the honor of City of Boise Cultural Ambassador through this October.

Alley Repertory Theater did a 3-show season of bold plays that wrapped in March. Alley Rep described it as a season that “mixes exciting new works that explore current issues with classics that remind us how today’s headlines came to be. Political and provocative, joyful and heartfelt, hilarious and challenging....”

Boise Bard Players was a first-year ICA grant recipient this year, I believe. This ambitious young company “produces minimalistic performances of classical plays with an emphasis on Shakespeare. We break the traditional expectations of classical texts by performing them in nontraditional locations and understanding each play on its own terms.” The group just performed *Hamlet* at the Old Penitentiary in Boise and will perform *The Importance of Being Earnest* in the summer.

Boise Blues Society just wrapped its March/April series that’s held in The Sapphire Room at the Riverside Hotel. In July, the weekly summer series kicks off on the Sandbar patio at the Riverside.

LED weaves signature contemporary choreography, original musical compositions, and elements of film into thought-provoking narratives. LED will be presenting a new work by founder/choreographer/ dancer Lauren Edson for Dance Boise on May 13. LED seems to have also expanded its class offerings quite a bit.

JUMP has a film production initiative called Dreamweaver Collective, which engages people interested in the different aspects of film production - actors, grips, camera operators, production managers, directors, etc. Workshops are free and include screenwriting and filmmaking. JUMP is holding a casting call on May 6 to find actors for 10-minute films. JUMP will kick off its weekly summer concert series on June 13, and it concludes September 5.

Commissioner Jared Johnson provided his area report.

Magic Valley:

Art and Soul - A community wide art exhibition event in which local artists and businesses come together to showcase art and their artists. June 9th - July 1st.

Orpheum Theatre -

- May - A variety of vocal and dance recitals will be given at the Orpheum in May.
- June 9-19th *Tuck Everlasting*, presented by Magic Valley Repertory Theatre.

- July 27-29th *Anastasia*, presented by Ovation Performing Arts Summer Intensive
- Coming in August - Magic Valley Repertory Theatre presents *And Then There Were None* and *Milton*.
- Coming In September - Magic Valley Repertory Theatre presents, *The Little Mermaid*

Western Days/Crazy Days - Community event featuring live music, artistry, and vendors in the heart of Historic Downtown Twin Falls. June 2-4.

College of Southern Idaho

- Duplessy and the Violins of the World - May 9.

Julia Oxarango-Ingram provided her area report.

BLAINE CO/SUN VALLEY AREA

Footlight Dance Co Recitals <https://www.blaineschools.org/Page/4962>

Sun Valley Museum of Arts (SVMOA) -Formerly SV Center for the Arts <https://svmoa.org/events>

Sun Valley Music Festival (Formerly Sun Valley Symphony)

<https://www.svmusicfestival.org/summer-season/>

The Argyros Theater <https://theargyros.org/calendar/>

Ketchum Arts Festival <http://www.ketchumartsfestival.com/pictures.html>

BOISE AREA 2023

ID Shakespeare Festival <https://idahoshakespeare.org/plays/>

Global Lounge~ World Village Events

<https://facebook.com/events/s/tidwell-social-work-multicultu/812244956902345/>

Garden City First Friday Art Studio Stroll + Placemaking/keeping Fund-Basque Center/Adelina

Simplot Parks<https://facebook.com/events/s/first-friday-art-studio-stroll/559020369669669/>

Western ID Fair / Surel's Placemaking Fund, Mural Painting

<https://www.facebook.com/100031181255082/posts/pfbid02GncpPc6FhvK6wo9sufDcc844mQ3TUWUbKacvAoAPicGrhYv1a8XUnUzCkFps7iP2l/?d=n>



<https://facebook.com/events/s/green-at-heart-3-thrifty-gift-1832508370419470/>

Boise City Arts & History - <https://facebook.com/events/s/arts-history-grants-informatio/488842100037802/>

James Castle House - <https://www.jamescastlehouse.org/>

Irma Hayman House - River Street Historical + Cultural+ Arts Placemaking/Tour-African American Creative
<https://www.ermahaymanhouse.org/>

Return of the Boise Valley Indigenous People Annual Event
<https://www.boiseartsandhistory.org/blog/2019/06/05/creators-makers-doers-return-of-the-boise-valley-people/>

St. Luke's Children's Hospital -Placemaking Design & Arts Installation Collaborations

[https://boisedev.com/news/2022/08/30/st-lukes-childrens-bear/?utm_source=BoiseDev-IdahoFirst&utm_campaign=fd5eb4e760-](https://boisedev.com/news/2022/08/30/st-lukes-childrens-bear/?utm_source=BoiseDev-IdahoFirst&utm_campaign=fd5eb4e760-563959592)

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WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE TRIBUTE @ THE BOISE CAPITAL
<https://wea.afrogs.org/#/index>

Opera Idaho/ St. Luke's Collaboration -Community Health + Arts
<https://www.stlukesonline.org/blogs/st-lukes/news-and-community/2022/apr/st-lukes-teams-up-with-opera-idaho-to-help-long-covid-patients>

MAGIC VALLEY AREA

BLISS/HAGERMAN/WENDELL

Hagerman Valley Historical Society & Regional Art Museum.
<https://hagermanmuseum.org/> Featuring an extensive collection of Archie Teeter's art as well as other renowned local artists. Annual Fundraising Tours of the Teeter's Knoll -Idaho's only Frank Lloyd Wright designed home overlooking the Snake River in Bliss, ID.

Thousand Springs Festival of the Arts <https://magicvalleyartscouncil.org/thousand-springs-festival-of-the-arts/>

SHOSHONE/LINCOLN COUNTY

Shoshone Arts in the Park <https://www.shoshonearts.com/>

Lost in Lava Cowboy Gathering, Shoshone ID <https://www.facebook.com/LostNLava/>

TWIN FALLS

Orpheum Theatre <https://www.orpheumtwinfalls.com/>

Magic Valley Arts Council / Art & Soul of the Magic Valley <https://magicvalleyartscouncil.org/>

From: David Woodhead <davew@cinesaloon.com>

Lamphouse Theatre Chautauqua Tuesdays at the *Lamphouse Theatre*. What is a Chautauqua? Any of various traveling shows and local assemblies that flourished in the U.S. in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, that provided popular education combined with entertainment in the form of lectures, concerts, and plays, and that were modeled after activities at the Chautauqua Institution of western New York. The Lamphouse Theatre plans to hold our own version of Chautauquas on the stage in the lounge on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Our first presenter will be Bob Sojka who will discuss his short story, "Between the Zeros and Ones," recently published in an anthology titled NEOSAPIENS: The Future of Intelligence available for purchase on Amazon both in paperback and on Kindle. I've read Bob's story and I'm happy to announce it's well worth the read. Reminds me of Phillip K Dick. We'll also have copies for sale at the Lamphouse Theatre and Bob will gladly autograph them.

Commissioner Blair Williams provided her area report. The Northern Panhandle is gearing up for a bright and exciting summer season here in the arts.

Bonnors Ferry

- Art & Soul Studio; They are offering children's programming, dance, painting, etc. They are expanding their studio to include pottery.
- The Pearl Theatre has music, theatre, poetry and more offered throughout the coming months.

Sandpoint

- The Festival at Sandpoint is going strong and have announced their summer line-up.
- Montana Shakespeare Festival will again host two performances in Sandpoint later this summer.
- Pend Oreille Arts Council has various programs scheduled this summer including:
 - Art Walk
 - Arts & Crafts Fair
 - The Art Party
 - Performing Arts Series
 - Artist Studio Tour
- Their gallery scene is alive and well and growing. They've added two galleries over the past year.
- The Music Conservatory is not only strong, but also providing mentorship to the CDA Music Conservatory. They teach music classes, offer concerts and present at Music MATTERS event each year.

Priest River & Priest Lake

- Rex Theater is going strong.
- Harmony Healing Arts.
- The Priest River Library has secured an Idaho Humanities Council grant to feature a Smithsonian Museums on Main Street program, opening in May.

Silver Valley

- Through creative placemaking the community of Kellogg is working to use arts to re-engage their public into the Uptown district. They are working to pay for murals, etc.
- Their Economic Development Council have secured an Idaho Humanities Council grant to also feature the same Smithsonian Museum on Main Street program.
- A new gallery has opened in downtown Kellogg.
- Murals are going up in Wallace.

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- Theatre

- Lake City Playhouse has been struck by many difficulties the past few years, pandemic and then a broken water pipe in the building. They are undertaking a huge fundraising attempt and clean up with the community.
- CDA Summer Theatre have just announced the launch of a Music Theatre Institute in hopes of teaching those who would like to pursue work in this area.
- Aspire Theatre has a successful season underway.
- Dance
 - Le Danse Studio sold last year, and while their classes are going strong, this combined with the pandemic meant that they were unable to present the Nutcracker these past two years.
 - The dance studio in Post Falls has been growing and is looking for additional studio space.
- Visual Arts
 - Art Walk is going through many changes here in the CDA downtown. One gallery sold and will no longer be a gallery. Another has been closed for many months due to management but will reopen with a different model.
 - A new smaller gallery has opened within a gift shop in downtown CDA.
 - Emerge had a successful Clay Festival.
 - The Jacklin Arts & Cultural Center has been growing in their attendance and programming.
 - The City of CDA has added two new pieces of public artwork in the education corridor.
 - Post Falls Chamber is looking for ways to begin to add public artwork as development in their area increases.
- Music
 - Music is on the rise in the region!
 - Symphony is going strong.
 - Music Conservatory recently hosted a concert featuring musicians from the Ukraine as well as artwork.
 - Live After Five will announce their summer line up in the coming weeks.
 - A longtime resident who had run a summer concert series in the City Parks in downtown CDA, passed away last year. They reached out to Blair Williams and asked her to take it over. She said she was a little busy and directed them to the PERFECT FIT! Another long time resident, musician, and author. He has now rebranded the series to Koep Concerts and announced the line-up. He will be producing programming in the CDA City Park. Hayden Lake and Dalton Gardens have also asked him to develop programming. The CDA 2030 Organization is working with him to develop programming for a blighted district in CDA, for the 2024 season.
 - A new shade form is being installed for the Music in Riverstone program.

There are many new young artistic voices who are reshaping the future of the arts and culture in our region. We are excited to see where it takes us all.