

**ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
Meeting of Tuesday, 05 March 2013  
Mansfield Community Center (MCC) Conference Room

MINUTES

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 7:05p by Kim Bova. *Members present:* Kim Bova, Tom Bruhn, Scott Lehmann, David Vaughan. *Members absent:* Anke Finger. *Others present:* Jay O’Keefe (staff), Betsy Makuch.
2. The draft **minutes** of the meetings of 05 February 2013, 08 January 2013, and – finally! – 05 June 2012 were approved as written.
3. **Art for Town Hall.** Tom distributed a draft of “Guidelines for the acceptance of works of art by the Town of Mansfield” (attached), which aims to limit the Town’s commitment to donors (or would-be donors) of art for display in the Town Hall. Donations from a single artist would be limited to three, works must be in good condition and framed (or otherwise fully ready for display), the Committee would review proposed donations and make recommendations to the Town, acceptance by the Town of works would not require their display, and accepted works could be disposed of after five years. The Committee agreed that the proposed guidelines were very good and that, with the addition of a clause to the effect that the Town shall take reasonable care of donated works, they should be forwarded to the Town Manager for consideration by the Council. Tom left the meeting.
4. **Committee vacancies.** The Committee now has two vacancies. Betsy Makuch, who attended the meeting as an observer, may be interested in filling one of them. If so, she should send Jay a brief letter to this effect.
5. **Arts web-page.** Kim will ask Anke about progress on developing an arts web-page with links to what’s going on in local arts scene.
6. A link to the **art exhibit application form** should appear on the Committee’s web-page. The **Mansfield Library** isn’t getting any applications to exhibit art there, and difficulty in accessing the form may be part of the problem. Jay has sent an electronic copy of the Town’s art display policy to the Library. Scott observed that the Library could, with the approval of the Town Manager, form its own art exhibit review committee, which might speed up the approval process for the Library. Ms. Makuch mentioned a state-sponsored “Pop-up Art” program (which assembles artists for one-day shows) as something of possible interest to the Library.
7. **Art exhibit applications.**
  - a. The Committee approved **Lisa Yang’s** exhibit of photos in the MCC sitting room & hallway in the summer quarter (01 Jun to 15 Aug). Scott will let her know.
  - b. After viewing the photos (mostly portraits) that **Kim Bova** proposes to exhibit at the Mansfield Library, the Committee approved the exhibit, subject to its approval by the Library.
  - c. The **Festival on the Green** will utilize the display cases at the MCC from 08/15 to 10/14.
  - d. Kim will contact **Karen Enger** about organizing the now annual display of Mansfield elementary school art for 04/15 through 05/31 at the MCC. Jay mentioned that some art in last year’s exhibit had fallen off the hooks and wondered if framed works could be requested this year; Kim will ask about this.
  - e. Kim will ask **Peggy Church** to encourage Open Studio artists to apply to exhibit sculpture, ceramics, etc. in the MCC display cases.

Exhibit Period	Entry cases		Sitting room		Hallway	
	Double-sided	Shelves	Upper (5)	Lower (3)	Long (5)	Short (2)
01/15 – 04/15	<i>Michael Allison</i> (wooden bowls)		<i>Murray Wachman</i> (oils)			
04/15 – 05/31	<i>Mansfield School Art?</i>					
06/01 – 08/15				<i>Lisa Yang</i> (photos)		

**8. Adjourned** at 8:05p. Next meeting: 7:00p, Tuesday, 02 April 2013.

Scott Lehmann, Secretary, 11 March 2013; approved 02 April 2013.