



## CHESHIRE PERFORMING FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

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### CHESHIRE PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING

**Tuesday, February 16, 2016, 7:00 PM**

**Artsplace**

**1220 Waterbury Road**

**Cheshire, CT 06410**

**Committee Members Present:** Leslie Hutchison, Joyce Karklel, Donna Lodynsky,  
Donna Myjak, Youchung Torok, Jackie Townes, Jill Veiga

**Others Present:** Patti Flynn-Harris (Representative, Cheshire Town Council)  
Joan Pilarczyk (Director, Artsplace)

**Absent :** Ramona Burkey (Director, Cheshire Public Library)  
Ophelia Frazier (Committee Member)  
Denise Lohr (Committee Member)  
Donna Mark (President, Friends of CPFA/Artsplace, Inc.)

**1.DETERMINATION OF QUORUM** - A quorum was present for this meeting.

#### **2.CALL TO ORDER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Chairwoman Lodynsky called meeting to order at 7:07 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. WELCOME REMARKS** - Donna Lodynsky, Chairperson.

Ms. Lodynsky introduced a guest, Ms. Monique D'Onofrio, to the committee.

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION** – No Public Communications.

#### **5. APPROVAL of January 19, 2016 Minutes**

8. a. should have read : "... Indian Puppets with Robin McCahill at Artsplace."

*Ms. Karklel made a motion to accept the January 19, 2016 minutes with corrections, Ms. Townes seconded, and the motion passed.*

#### **6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk for Ophelia Frazier**

a. Ms. Pilarczyk mentioned that the budget is on target for the year to date at 54%.

*A motion was made by Ms. Torok to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Ms. Karklel. The Motion Passed.*





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### 7. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Donna Myjak

- a. No report.

### 8. LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk for Ramona Burkey

- a. No report.

### 9. ARTSPLACE REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk

- a. Ms. Pilarczyk thanked the members of the committee for helping on February 16<sup>th</sup> with the Indian Puppets workshop held at Artsplace with Robin McCahill as part of the Cheshire Public Library month long celebration. Twenty students took part.
- b. Ms. Pilarczyk noted that she is working on the Spring and summer Session classes.
- c. The Kensett Birthday Banner Contest has been extended to February 24, 2016. There are several entries already.
- d. Ms. Pilarczyk informed the members that a camera has been installed that will be used for filming classes, workshops and the special event, the *David Dunlop Weekend*.
- e. Ms. Pilarczyk reminded members that the Kensett Commemorative plates are available for purchase at Artsplace. There are 4 designs and four glaze colors to choose from. The hand made pottery is designed and mad by Cheshire artist Jan Lesnikoski. Plates are \$25.00 each.
- f. David Dunlop will be at Artsplace on the weekend of February 27-28. On Saturday he will lecture on the art style of John Frederick Kensett in the morning and do a demonstration of his style of painting in the afternoon. This event is free to the public. On Sunday there is a full day workshop to learn landscape painting in the style of Kensett. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and \$12.00 for high school students. Participants are asked to bring their own materials. Space is limited to 40 people and easels will be provided.
- g. There is a bonfire and Kensett Koctail Party on Saturday, February 27, 2016 at the Cheshire Historical Society from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. The event is free to the public.

### 10. FRIENDS OF CPFA/ARTSPLACE, INC. REPORT – Joan Pilarczyk for Donna Mark

- a. No report.

### 11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Karklel and Ms. Hutchison spoke briefly about plans for the 2016 Artsday which will be the 28<sup>th</sup> annual. The theme is “The Senses”. There will be 14 artists presenting hands on projects from rain sticks, scented paint prints, shadow puppets, masks, Zentangle, origami, to gardening. Artsday will be held at the *Cheshire Academy* on Sunday March 13, 2016.
- b. The Committee Scholarship sub-committee, comprised of Ms. Myjak, Ms. Veiga and Ms. Frazier will be meeting to read the 2016 scholarship entries before the April 19, 2016 deadline.
- c. Members were told that the List of Officers has been tabled until the next meeting.





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- d. Members were reminded of the Cheshire Food Pantry Spring Fling Fundraiser, to be held on April 1, 2016 at *Aria* in Prospect. Tickets are \$75.00 per person. Six Artsplace teachers painted Market Umbrellas at Artsplace as donations for this fundraiser.

### 12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Ms. Torok mentioned the Cheshire High School play, *Mary Poppins*, which will be held on March 17<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM.
- b. Ms. Flynn-Harris mentioned the Connecticut Arts Day, to be held at the State Capitol building on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM. The event is free to the public but participants must register online.
- c. Ms. Townes made members aware of the New Haven Public School's social Studies class' "Immigration Simulation" to be held at the middle school on February 26. Students are preparing biographies of passengers disembarking at Ellis Island in 1910. A video of the event will be made. Ms. Townes asked members to donate clothing that would be appropriate for the period for the students to wear as costumes.
- d. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at Artsplace at 7:00PM.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

*Ms. Townes made a motion to adjourn; Ms. Veiga seconded the Motion.  
Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by  
Agnes Wnuk

