

ARTS AND CULTURAL EVENTS COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 2:00 PM
Council Chambers

MINUTES

I. Call to Order: Ms. Foster called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Present: Bill Blizard
Kimberly Adele
Dylan Keith
Jodi Rush
Joan Collar
Kristin Thompson
Becky Hilstad
Rob Cushman

Also Present: Ruthie Foster, Arts and Cultural Events Coordinator
Erin Pomrenke, Communications Manager
Brad Belt, Arts Council Liaison

II. Approval of Minutes:

A. Arts & Cultural Events Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2024

III. Old Business

A. 2022/2023 Arts and Cultural Events Season Calendar and Financial Review

2023/2024 Arts and Cultural Events															
Member	Event	Date Time Location	Artist	Piano / Tuning	Sound	Backline	Lighting	Venue	Accom.	Food/Supplies	Misc.	Notes	AC Budget	CEF Budget	Ticket Release
Bill	The Alva Anderson Quartet with Special Guest Mark Sterbank	Wednesday, Sep. 6, 2023 7:30 p.m. The Seabrook Island Club		\$2,580	\$1,780	\$2,200	\$1,000						\$7,560		Tuesday, Aug. 8 Friday, Aug. 11
Joan	Piano Bar: Gary Pecorella	Wednesday, Sep. 20, 2023 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle		\$350									\$350		
Kristin	HALO Presents: Choose Your Own Operadventure	Sunday, Oct. 1, 2023 5:00 p.m. Turtle Point		\$10,000	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$1,000	\$280			\$54		\$14,934		Tuesday, Aug. 29 Friday, Sep. 1
David	The Small Glories	Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023 7:30 p.m. The Seabrook Island Club		\$5,000		\$1,500	\$1,000		\$1,106	\$100				\$8,706	Friday, Aug. 11
Joan	Piano Bar: The Joy Project	Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2023 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle		\$600									\$600		
Kimberly	Tango Lovers: Volver	Thursday, Oct. 12, 2023 7:30 p.m. West Beach		\$11,500				\$4,302	\$2,000	\$504	\$19,692	Misc. = PDA, Encore Fee in Venue		\$37,998	Friday, Aug. 18
Joan	Lowcountry Voices	Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023 4:00 p.m. Holy Spirit		\$6,000	\$200									\$6,200	Friday, Sep. 22
Becky	Charleston Symphony Orchestra	Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023 5:00 p.m. West Beach		\$40,000			\$1,600	\$273						\$41,873	Friday, Sep. 8
David	Dan Tyminski Band	Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023 7:30 p.m. West Beach		\$13,000		\$2,100	\$1,600	\$3,542	\$2,927	\$250				\$23,419	Friday, Sep. 15
Joan	Piano Bar: Glenn Brown	Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle		\$350									\$350		
Van	Australis Chamber Ensemble	Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 7:30 p.m. COOS		\$2,000					\$629		\$100		\$2,729		Tuesday, Nov. 7 Friday, Nov. 10
Kimberly	Glenn Brown	Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023 7:30 p.m. Holy Spirit				\$1,200	\$1,000				\$760	Cancelled due to visa restrictions	\$2,960		Tuesday, Nov. 14 Tuesday, Nov. 17
Joan	Piano Bar: Misha Pekar	Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle		\$350									\$350		
Joan	Piano Bar: Hunter Feick	Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2024 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle		\$350									\$350		
Judy	Liquid Pleasure	Friday, Jan. 12, 2024 7:30 p.m. West Beach		\$6,000				\$3,542			\$200		\$9,742		Tuesday, Dec. 12 Friday, Dec. 15
Judy	Quentin E. Baxter Presents CC + the Adellias	Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024 4:00 p.m. The Seabrook Island Club		\$30,000										\$30,000	
Joan	Art Film: Woodstock	Friday, Jan. 26, 2024 3-5 p.m. The Sandcastle		\$265							\$12		\$277		
Jodi	Sean Kennard	Thursday, Feb. 1, 2024 7:30 p.m. COOS		\$5,000	\$200				\$590	\$25			\$5,815		Tuesday, Jan. 9 Friday, Jan. 12
Becky	Chamber Trio Featuring Yury Bekker, Julian Schwarz, & Marika Bournalsi	Saturday, Feb. 3, 2024 7:30 p.m. COOS		\$7,500	\$200								\$7,700		Tuesday, Jan. 16 Friday, Jan. 19
Kristin	The Linda Rostadt Experience with Tristan McIntosh	Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024 7:30 p.m. West Beach		\$9,000		\$2,200	\$2,000	\$3,542	\$1,400	\$400				\$18,542	Friday, Dec. 8
Judy	Quentin E. Baxter Presents Dan Wilson Quartet	Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024 4:00 p.m. The Seabrook Island Club													

Joan	Art Film: The Melody Lingers On	Friday, Feb. 16, 2024 3-5 p.m. Town Hall	\$250															\$250	
Joan	Piano Bar: The Joy Project	Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle	\$600															\$600	
Becky	PURE Theatre Presents Septima Clark	Sunday, Mar. 3, 2024 2:30 p.m. Turtle Point	\$10,000						\$280									\$10,280	Tuesday, Feb. 6 Friday, Feb. 9
Judy	Quentin E. Baxter Presents Jontavious Willis	Sunday, Mar. 10, 2024 4:00 p.m. Turtle Point																	
Joan	Art Film: Girl with a Pearl Earring	Friday, Mar. 15, 2024 3-5 p.m. Town Hall	\$250															\$250	
Ruthie	Queens of Rock and Soul: A Tribute to Tina Turner and Aretha Franklin	Monday, Mar. 18, 2024 7:30 p.m. West Beach	\$10,000	\$2,200	\$2,000	\$3,524	\$744	\$500										\$18,968	
Joan	Piano Bar: Glenn Brown	Wednesday, Apr. 3, 2024 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle	\$350															\$350	
Jodi	College of Charleston Young Artists	Sunday, Apr. 7, 2024 4:00 p.m. COOS	\$350	\$200						\$25								\$575	Tuesday, Mar. 5 Friday, Mar. 8
Joan	Art Film: Midnight in Paris	Friday, Apr. 12, 2024 3-5 p.m. The Sandcastle	\$250															\$250	
Bill	18th Annual Blues by the Sea	Sunday, Apr. 14, 2024 3-7 p.m. Freshfields	\$22,000															\$22,000	
Joan	Piano Bar: Chris Dodson	Wednesday, Apr. 24, 2024 5-7 p.m. The Sandcastle	\$350															\$350	
Jodi	Conrad Tao and Caleb Teicher: "Counterpoint"	Tuesday, Apr. 30, 2024 7:30 p.m. The Seabrook Island Club	\$16,000	\$2,500	\$2,000		\$1,600	\$50	\$2,000				Misc - Tap Floor					\$24,150	Tuesday, Mar. 12 Friday, Mar. 15
Jodi	Piccolo Preview	Sunday, May 5, 2024 4:00 p.m. Holy Spirit	\$7,000	\$200														\$7,200	Tuesday, Mar. 19 Friday, Mar. 22
Total																	\$97,972	\$207,706	
Arts Council Budget Breakdown			Trackable			Cultural Events Budget Breakdown						Trackable							
spendable	\$116,000		spendable	\$106,000		spendable	\$179,000		spendable	\$179,000		contingency	\$3,000		contingency	\$3,000		estimated ticket profit	\$179,000
contingency	\$5,000		estimated ticket profit	\$17,922		contingency	\$3,000		total	\$182,000		total			total			estimated ticket profit	\$40,118
admin	\$7,000		Total	\$123,922											Total			\$219,118	
total	\$118,000		Events Total	\$97,972											Events Total			\$207,706	
			Balance	\$25,950											Balance			\$13,412	

- The Council discussed the following:

- Quentin Baxter's Jontavious Willis event was discussed. Audience attendance and the artist's well receipt was noted.
- The previous Art Film *Girl with a Pearl Earring*, and Piano Bar with Glenn Brown were discussed. Ms. Collar stated Art Films will be moved to Wednesdays for the upcoming season, taking place on altering dates than Piano Bars.
- The Queens of Rock and Soul Tribute to Tina Turner and Aretha Franklin event was discussed, and Ms. Foster updated the Council on praise the Arts Council received regarding this and other events during the most recent Town Council meeting. The event sound was discussed, with members reporting complaints of the music being too loud.
- The upcoming Clara Camacho, Art Film *Midnight in Paris*, Blues by the Sea, Piano Bar, Counterpoint, and Piccolo Preview events were discussed. Ms. Foster requested assistance for scanning and program distribution at the Clara Camacho and Counterpoint events. Ms. Foster and Ms. Rush discussed the College of Charleston potentially taking the constructed tap floor for the Counterpoint event.

IV. New Business

A. New Member Welcome

- The Council welcomed new member Rob Cushman with introductions.

B. 2024-2025 Season Updates

- Ms. Foster updated the Council on the final event scheduled for the upcoming season, and reminded everyone to get their event planning forms in as soon as possible.

C. Summer Initiatives: Contracts, Annual Report, Social media, Audience Survey

- Ms. Foster updated the Council on the contract template redesign, the annual report soon to be in the works, the social media (Instagram and Facebook) accounts to soon be launched, and an audience survey to be drafted and conducted following the end of the current season.
- Ms. Foster displayed some recent photos of previous events for members to see and stated she was excited to utilize them for future projects and thanking Mr. Keith for his work.

D. Other

- Ms. Foster updated the Council on conversations surrounding event security taking place with the public safety director, hoping to have next season's events covered.
- Mr. Belt let the Council know of a routing possibility for the Will Thompson Band, stating both the band and Freshfields were available for a show in roughly three weeks. The Council unanimously agreed to sponsor the artist fee, with Ms. Foster coordinating promotion and logistics.

V. Correspondence

A letter from loyal patrons thanking the Arts Council was highlighted.

VI. Chairman's Comments

None

VII. Public Comments

Kiawah Island resident Peter Stockman thanked the Arts Council for their efforts.

VIII. Adjournment

Ms. Thompson motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Keith and carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Ruthie Foster, Arts & Cultural Events Coordinator

Approved by,

David Wohl, Vice Chairman

Date