



Burlington City Arts Exhibitions Advisory Committee

Tuesday March 23, 2021 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Held via Zoom

Committee Members Present: Carolyn Bauer, Mildred Beltré, Lisa Lillibridge, Rachel Kahn-Fogel, Milton Rosa-Ortiz, Sarah Rogers
Staff: Heather Ferrell, Colin Storrs

Meeting Minutes

- 1) Updates on gallery current exhibitions and programs:
 - a. Exhibitions: *Meg Lipke: In the Making* and *Pivotal Moments: Select Works by Diane Gabriel*
 - b. Home Studio platform and program update – Fall 2020 attendance numbers, with current programming numbers since last Committee Meeting.
 - c. Attendance and Engagement
 - i. Fall 2020 All Gallery programs: 4,546 (includes Fall 2020 Artist Markets)
 - ii. Virtual program attendance since December 1, 2020: 840
 - iii. Jan Private gallery tours (4 sessions): 27
 - iv. Fall exhibits visitors/attendance: 1,113 (2020) 12,482 (2019) 6,285 (2018)
- 2) Updates on Upcoming Exhibitions
 - a. Overview and updates on Summer 2021 exhibitions *Bubblegum Pop*, and *Kaylynn Twotrees: Falling into Language*. Preview of Fall 2021 exhibitions *If Not This*: Kirsten Reynolds + 3 VT Artists (discussion of working artist list); and *Bradley Borthwick: Objects of Empire*.
 - b. Discussed installation challenges and opportunities with *Bubblegum Pop*, committee suggested opportunity for larger volunteer presence to support it. As well as thematic synergy of the two fall exhibitions.
 - c. Discussed Gallery Education outreach to schools, organizations, and universities and effectiveness with challenges of Covid/pandemic; additional strategies and suggestions. Answered questions about capacity regarding Covid with school groups (staff recommends for onsite 16 persons + 2 BCA educators split into 2 groups)
- 3) Discussion and Review of new BCA artist award, *Diane Gabriel Visual Artist Award*
 - a. Discussed overview of structure of the first year's award and discussed the successes and challenges of nomination structure. Committee expressed excitement with artist pool that the nomination committee selected.
 - b. Previewed the eight nominees and gave a timeline for announcement of recipient.
- 4) Discussed the possibility of adding a new meeting date in late June and committee's availability (TBD).
- 5) Adjournment