



## CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH CITY ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA

Newport Beach Civic Center - Council Chambers  
100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach CA 92660

Thursday, September 11, 2025 - 5:00 PM

### ***City Arts Commission Members:***

Heather Ignatin, Chair  
Vanessa Moore, Vice Chair  
Melissa Kandel, Secretary  
David Anastos, Commissioner  
John Blom, Commissioner  
Tiare Meegan, Commissioner  
Laurel Tippet, Commissioner

### ***Staff Members:***

Melissa Hartson, Library Services Director  
Rebecca Lightfoot, Library Services Manager  
Camille Escareal-Garcia, Cultural Arts Assistant

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The City Arts Commission meeting is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Among other things, the Brown Act requires that the City Arts Commission agenda be posted at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of each regular meeting and that the public be allowed to comment on agenda items before the Commission and items not on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Arts Commission. The Chair may limit public comments to a reasonable amount of time, generally three (3) minutes per person.

The public can submit questions and comments in writing for the City Arts Commission to consider. Please send them by email to the Library Services Department at [ArtsCommission@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:ArtsCommission@newportbeachca.gov) by Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. to give the City Arts Commissioners time to consider your comments. All emails will be made part of the record.

The City of Newport Beach's goal is to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in all respects. If, as an attendee or a participant at this meeting, you will need special assistance beyond what is normally provided, we will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please contact Melissa Hartson, Library Services Director, at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible at (949) 717-3801 or [mhartson@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:mhartson@newportbeachca.gov).

### **NOTICE REGARDING PRESENTATIONS REQUIRING USE OF CITY EQUIPMENT**

Any presentation requiring the use of the City of Newport Beach's equipment must be submitted to the Library Services Department 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

### **II. ROLL CALL**

### **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **IV. NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

*The City provides a yellow sign-in card to assist in the preparation of the minutes. The completion of the card is not required in order to address the City Arts Commission. If the optional sign-in card has been completed, it should be placed in the tray provided.*

*The City Arts Commission of Newport Beach welcomes and encourages community participation. Public comments are generally limited to three (3) minutes per person to allow everyone to speak. Written comments are encouraged as well. The City Arts Commission has the discretion to extend or shorten the time limit on agenda or non-agenda items. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.*

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*All matters listed under CONSENT CALENDAR are considered to be routine and will all be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. City Arts Commissioners have received detailed staff reports on each of the items recommending an action. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the City Arts Commission votes on the motion unless members of the City Arts Commission request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Members of the public who wish to discuss a Consent Calendar item should come forward to the lectern upon invitation by the Chair.*

**A. Consent Calendar Items**

**1. Minutes of the August 14, 2025, City Arts Commission Meeting**

[Draft for 08-14-2025 CAC Meeting Minutes](#)

**2. Financial Report**

Review of financial information.

[Financial Report](#)

**VI. CURRENT BUSINESS**

**A. Items for Review and Possible Action**

**3. General Plan Update for Arts and Culture**

Receive and file the draft Arts and Culture Elements of the General Plan Update.

[General Plan Update - Arts and Culture Element Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A - Draft Arts and Culture Element](#)

[Attachment B - Arts and Culture Existing Conditions and Background Analysis Report](#)

**4. Sculpture Exhibition Phase X Progress Report**

Receive and file updated progress on Phase X of the Sculpture Exhibition.

[Sculpture Exhibition Phase X Staff Report](#)

**5. Cultural Arts Activities**

Monthly review of cultural arts activities from the Library Administrative Office for upcoming Library and City arts events and services.

[Cultural Arts August Activities](#)

**B. Monthly Reports**

**6. Art in Public Places Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Commissioner Anastos, Commissioner Meegan

**7. Art Week Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Chair Ignatin, Vice Chair Moore, Commissioner Tippet

**8. Music and Live Entertainment Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Chair Ignatin, Vice Chair Moore, Secretary Kandel

**9. Cultural Arts Grants Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Vice Chair Moore, Commissioner Meegan

**10. Newport Beach Art Exhibition Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Chair Ignatin, Vice Chair Moore, Secretary Kandel

**11. Public Relations and Marketing Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Chair Ignatin, Vice Chair Moore, Secretary Kandel

**12. Sculpture Exhibition Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Chair Ignatin, Secretary Kandel, Commissioner Blom

**13. Student Art Exhibition Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

Commissioner Anastos, Commissioner Meegan, Commissioner Tippet

**14. Newport Beach Arts Foundation Liaison**

Vice Chair Moore

**15. Historical Resources Liaison**

Commissioner Blom

**VII. CITY ARTS COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MATTERS WHICH MEMBERS  
WOULD LIKE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION, ACTION OR  
REPORT (NON-DISCUSSION ITEM).**

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

*Public comments are invited on non-agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Arts Commission. Speakers must limit comments to three (3) minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The City Arts Commission has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on agenda or non-agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.*

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**