'Arts and Culture' workgroup report -Sep 2020

Team:

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Date:

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Accomplishments:

Here are the accomplishments/report for the month of August and September -20201

• Establishment of Austin Creatives of Greater Austin (ACGA)

Our workgroup members (Pramod Patil, Hanna Huang) worked with members of the community to establish a new organization Austin Creatives of Greater Austin (ACGA). The mission of this organization is to elevate, advocate for, and provide opportunities for the AAPI creative community in Austin, Texas, through education, resources, collaboration, and celebration of multiculturalism. Though ACGA we will expect to share city of Austin resources and stages by Asian artists. ACGA's initial focus will be in commercial music.

Application for RFI 5500 SMW6000

On September 21st, 2020 ACGA applied for the RFI 5500 SMW6000 with a proposal to build a creative music hub at Asian American Resource Center. The proposal included creative music hub that would include a music/audio recording studio and rehearsal space. The music hub would also have a video soundstage to create promotional visual content for musicians. The public benefit would be a city subsidized and operated creative media studio and hub for Austin's AAPI and broader music community.

The proposed hub would also serve as an educational resource for young, aspiring musicians. The facilities would bring more exposure to Austin's musicians within the larger AAPI community.