



SPECIAL CALLED MEETING of the ARTS COMMISSION

June 25, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Arts Commission Annual Retreat

Big Medium

4201 S Congress Ave #323

Austin, TX 78745

Some members of the ARTS COMMISSION may be participating by videoconference. The meeting may be viewed online at: <http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live>

Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than Noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Jesús Varela at jesus.varela@austintexas.gov or at 512-974-2444.

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:

Celina Zisman - Chair, Heidi Schmalbach - Vice Chair, Monica Maldonado, Felipe Garza, Gina Houston, Michael Vernusky, Acia Gray, Faiza Kracheni, Amy Mok, Nagavalli Medicharla

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Meet and Greet/Ice Breaker by Jessica Sager
2. Discussion of Chair's Report on update on the ecosystem following the NEA's visit to Austin by Chair Zisman
3. Discussion on what you most excited about regarding being a member of the Arts Commission
4. Discuss on the biggest concerns regarding being a member of the Arts Commission
5. Discuss on the most important thing to accomplish at the June 25th retreat, as a Commission

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

6. Update from joint Arts/Music Commission Working Group on Urban Core Issues with Commissioners Gray, Maldonado, and Schmalbach (chair).
7. Update from Community Engagement Working Group with Commissioners Zisman, Houston, and Kracheni (chair)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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