

**ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting of Tuesday, 01 September 2009  
Mansfield Community Center (MCC) Conference Room

MINUTES

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 7:04p by Chair Kim Bova. *Members present:* Jay Ames, Kim Bova, Scott Lehmann. *Members absent:* Tom Bruhn, Joan Prugh, Blanche Serban. *Others present:* Jay O’Keefe (staff).

2. The draft **minutes** of the 04 August 09 meeting were approved as written.

**3. Correspondence.**

a. All town committee volunteers are invited to **Picnicpalooza** (5-7p, 9/12/09, behind E. O. Smith) where there will be food, music, dancing, and general revelry in lieu of an expensive fireworks display on Festival of the Green weekend.

b. The Windham Region Chamber of Commerce is soliciting nominations of community organizers for its Community Volunteer Organizer Leadership Awards; nominations are due by 9/18/09.

**4. MCC Art Exhibits.**

a. No new applications have been received. Jay A. now knows he is exhibiting in the fall and will contact William Stallman to confirm his exhibit.

b. Kim suggested that AAC members go to some of the open studios this fall for ideas about artists who might be encouraged to exhibit at the MCC.

c. Jay O’K reminded the committee of its interest in organizing exhibits of student art. Jay A. agreed that we should start talking to art teachers in the Mansfield schools now if we want an exhibit later this school year. Kim will contact the Middle School and E. O. Smith art departments, and ask Blanche if she would approach the elementary schools. Maybe the elementary, middle, and high schools could use one of the display areas sequentially for a month each during the winter or spring quarters.

Exhibit Period	Entry cases		Sitting room		Hallway	
	Double-sided	Shelves	Upper (5)	Lower (3)	Long (5)	Short (2)
Summer 15 Jul – 15 Oct	8/15 – 10/15 <i>Festival on the Green</i>		<i>Liviu Cupceancu</i> (various media)			
Fall 15 Oct – 15 Jan	<i>William Stallman?</i> (found object sculpture)		<i>Jay Ames</i> (paintings)		<i>Sylvia Smith</i> (water media)	
Winter 15 Jan – 15 Apr	<i>Michael Allison</i> (colored wooden bowls)					

5. **Festival on the Green Art Show.** Helpers are needed to set up the art show, starting at 8:30a on 9/13/09; Kim needs a commitment from volunteers in advance. Michael Allison is lending display panels; however, table easels are also needed (Jay A. volunteered one that’s presentable).

6. **Storrs Center Project.** Jay A. reported having seen at MassMOCA an attractive

information kiosk, which he thought would be a fine addition to the Storrs Center Project. It had a small exhibit area, plus a screen for displaying information.

**7. Know Your Towns Fair.** The AAC finally has a table reserved at Know Your Towns Fair (11a – 2p, 9/12/09) to advertise display opportunities at the MCC, as well as other area arts activities. Scott will staff the table; Jay A. may be able to assist. Copies of the MCC art exhibit application should be available, plus other AAC publications, if still current; Jay O’K will send Scott electronic copies of this material for review and can photocopy material for us. Scott will try to assemble information on various arts groups for distribution – brochures, if available, but at least a mini-directory with contact information. Jay A. will contact Song a Day and a dance studio for information; he will also contribute a table easel and some art to help make the table attractive.

**8. Annual report.** The draft prepared by Scott and circulated by e-mail was approved.

**9. Adjourned** at 7:44p. Next meeting: Tuesday, 06 October 09, 7:00p.

Scott Lehmann, Acting Secretary, 04 September 09; approved 06 October 09