

ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting of Tuesday, 14 September 2010
Mansfield Community Center (MCC) Conference Room

MINUTES

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 7:05p by Kim Bova. *AAC members present:* Kim Bova, Kelly Kochis, Scott Lehmann, Blanche Serban. *AAC members absent:* Jay Ames, Tom Bruhn.

2. Kelly Kochis was enthusiastically welcomed as a new member of the Committee; she is currently an art student at ECSU.

3. The **minutes** of the 06 July 2010 meeting were approved as written; the August meeting was cancelled.

4. Sculpture park? An alternative to a sculpture garden in the new Storrs Center project might be to install sculpture along the walkway from the Municipal Building to the development.

5. MCC exhibits.

- a. Kim will see that the prize-winning works from the Festival on the Green art show are installed in the display cases this week; they will be exhibited until 10/15.
- b. No new applications were available for review. Is Rene Raucci going to use the upper sitting room display area this fall? Kim will e-mail Jay Ames about this. Has Tom approached Suzy Staubach about exhibiting ceramics in the winter 2011 quarter?

Exhibit Period	Entry cases		Sitting room		Hallway	
	Double-sided	Shelves	Upper (5)	Lower (3)	Long (5)	Short (2)
01 Jun – 14 Aug	<i>Ballard Institute</i> (puppets)		<i>Nancy Bergeron</i> (paintings)			
15 Aug – 14 Oct	<i>Festival on the Green</i> (advertising, art show winners)		<i>MCC cleaning & painting 8/22-8/28</i>			
15 Oct – 14 Jan	<i>Michael Allison</i> (colored wooden bowls)		<i>Rene Raucci</i> 9/1-4/15? (watercolors)	<i>DCF Heart Exhibit 10/1 – 12/31</i> (photos of children needing adoption)		
15 Jan – 14 Apr				<i>Martin Calverly</i> (New England photos)		
15 Apr – 31 May	<i>Mansfield School Art?</i>					
01 Jun – 15 Aug			<i>Rene Raucci?</i> (watercolors)			

6. Know Your Towns Fair. Scott staffed the Committee's table at this event (10:00a-1:00p, Sat. 9/11). The only group listed in our Local Arts Directory that responded to his e-mail invitation to supply literature for distribution was Artists' Open Studio; many people took one of its brochures. 13 copies of our updated Local Arts Directory were taken, along with an undetermined number of the new "Opportunities for Mansfield Artists" flyer and several MCC exhibit application forms. Blanche contributed a couple of paintings to spruce up the table, though we lacked the table easels that would have displayed them to best advantage. Though it sometimes seemed that there were more people staffing tables than members of the public – Blanche reported that parking was a problem, with visitors being directed out of the lot with no instruction to park at E. O. Smith – Scott thought that participation was worthwhile: a surprising number of people who stopped at the table seemed unaware of the extent of the local art scene. But if we do this again next year, we should invest a little more effort in planning for an attractive display.

7. Adjourned at 7:35p. Next meeting: 7:00p, Tuesday, 05 October 2010.

Scott Lehmann, Secretary, 15 September 2010; approved 05 October 2010.