

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

9:30 AM

Sister Cities Conference Room - Coral Gables Museum

Arts Advisory Panel

Chairperson Jill Johnson Deupi
Vice Chairperson Jacek Kolasinski
Board Member Nelson de Leon
Board Member Adler Guerrier
Board Member Maggie Hernandez
Board Member Eugenia Incer
Board Member Marijean Miyar
Board Member Alexandra Perez

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member de Leon, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Miyar, Board Member Perez and Board Member Hernandez

Absent: 1 - Board Member Incer

Excused: 1 - Chairperson Johnson Deupi

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A.-1. [25-8824](#) Arts Advisory Panel Meeting of March 5, 2025.

Attachments: [AAP MeetingMinutes05-Mar-2025 DRAFT](#)

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez and seconded by Ms. Miyar to approve the meeting minutes of March 5, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Yeas: 6 - Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member de Leon, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Miyar, Board Member Perez and Board Member Hernandez

Absent: 1 - Board Member Incer

Excused: 1 - Chairperson Johnson Deupi

B. NEW BUSINESS

- B.-1. 25-8931** A Resolution of the City Commission approving “Intervals”, a Coral Gables Art Series as part of Miami Art Week and for an application to Art Basel for an official event, further approving funding up to \$110,000 from the Art Fund toward the program and marketing materials (unanimously recommended by the Arts Advisory Panel approval/denial vote: 6 to 0 and Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 6 to 0); and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget to recognize the transfer of funds from the Art in Public Places Reserve and to appropriate such funds to put towards the cost of the project.

Attachments: [Commission Cover AiPP Art Basel 2025](#)
 [R-Draft-AiPP Art Basel 2025](#)
 [CDB Minutes May 29, 2025 Draft CC](#)

Panel members discussed options for this year's Art Basel programming, including presenting a sculptural work as in year's past. Mr. Guerrier proposed developing a program similar to the successful "No Vacancy" on Miami Beach where hotels are paired with artists. He recommended working with hotels and other accessible public spaces. Staff discussed the requirement of working with artists affiliated with Art Basel and suggested reaching out to galleries that currently present at Art Basel Miami Beach. Panel members agreed, supporting a Call for Art that would also welcome other artists. After additional discussion, the Panel made the following motions.

A motion was made by Mr. Guerrier and seconded by Ms. Miyar to recommend developing a project for Art Basel, 2025 in partnership with up to five locations, and provide artists a project fee of \$15,000 to develop their installations. the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Miyar and seconded by Ms. Perez to approve Mr. Guerrier to speak on behalf of the Panel at the City Commission when the item is presented. the motion passed unanimously.

Yeas: 6 - Vice Chairperson Kolasinski, Board Member de Leon, Board Member Guerrier, Board Member Miyar, Board Member Perez and Board Member Hernandez

Absent: 1 - Board Member Incer

Excused: 1 - Chairperson Johnson Deupi

- B.-2. [25-8932](#)** Temporary installations - Adler Guerrier
 This item was addressed as part of B.-1.

C. OLD BUSINESS

D. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES UPDATES

D.-1 Centennial Sculpture Update - Morel Doucet

Mr. Doucet appeared before the Panel and presented an update on his sculpture "Secrets that the Wind Carries Away." He showed renderings and said he was close to finalizing the design and presented it to the (Lola B. Walker H.O.A.) community members, who responded positively. Panel members provided feedback regarding the presentation of the family names on the vessel and expressed their support of the latest version.

D.-2. [25-8544](#)

AiPP Active Project Lists

Attachments: [AiPP Projects Municipal & Private February 2025](#)

Panel members were provided with updates of current public art projects and were reminded of the event to celebrate Janine Antoni's "Whispering Through a Stone" on Sunday, June 1st.

Ms. Cathers reported that the NEH funded "Protecting Public Art Project" national risk assessment had come to an end due to rescinded Federal funding; however, Coral Gables was the first site to be assessed and benefited from the project.

E. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

Panel members were advised that the Frank Stella sculpture acquisition will be presented to the City Commission on May 20th.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS**G. ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY**

Members were reminded to submit their applications to remain on the Panel and encouraged to forward recommendations of arts professionals to replace those terming off or no longer able to serve.

ADJOURNMENT

Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

NOTE