County of San Diego Arts and Culture Youth Commissioner Onboarding



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Melcone!

We're so glad you're here!

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Comnission Overview

The Commission advises county supervisors on matters related to arts and culture.

Our Vision: We envision the County of San Diego as a champion of a thriving arts, culture, and creative community.

Our Mission: Support and sustain the growth and vitality of San Diego County's diverse arts and culture communities

Our Website

- Assess existing organizations, artists, and other stakeholders regarding needs and inequities in the community
- Research and revise policies, and develop draft Countywide Public Art Policy and/or Ordinance
- Develop mechanisms for learning about cultural policy issues



Engagement

- Launch branding and awareness initiative
- Develop speakers bureau and presentation package for Commissioners
- Hold three networking events at strategic places throughout the County
- Speak at arts and civic events to build awareness and update the community

- Host as needed workshops and briefings or disseminate information on issues affecting the arts and culture community
- Develop a Marketing and Communications Plan

Communications

Capacity

- Research national, state, and local funding sources
- Seek State designation as Local Arts Agency for the County of San Diego

Commission History

1980

Board of Supervisors create the Public Arts Advisory Council (PAAC) 1993

The county eliminates the (PAAC)

1993 - 2002

Advocates call for the reinstatement of a county arts agency

2023

After a unanimous
vote, the Board of
Supervisors creates
the County Arts
and Culture
Commission

2024

The County Arts
and Culture
Commission
celebrates their
first anniversary

Commission Structure

County of San Diego



Economic Development and Government Affairs

Department



Arts and Culture

Commission

- The Commission adheres to its bylaws and ordinances.
- There are 13 total commissioners, three of them are youth.
 - Youth have two-year-long terms that can be renewed.
 - Other commissioners stay for as long as the term of the supervisor who voted them in.
- All Commissioners have the same voting powers.

Meeting Structure

The Commission meets every other month but sometimes holds special meetings during off months.

During our meeting, we go over the agenda following Robert's Rules of Order.

- We allow for public comments during every discussion point
- We also allocate some time to talk about upcoming art events/exhibitions!

If there's something you want to add to the next agenda, let Giang and the chair know!

Accomplishments

- Created a mission statement, vision statement, and racial equity statement
- Created a comprehensive strategic workplan
- Amended public art policy
- Revised policy on public art (Board Policy F-23) to raise cap on art allowance for renovations on new county buildings
- Created a draft budget to urge the County Supervisors to grant us a working budget

Projects in Progress

- Local Arts Agency Network: Support SD Art Matters with creating local arts agencies in other cities
- Prebys Matching Grant: Allocate 250k towards the County's Community Enhancement Program
- Artists Count: Support SD Art Matters and University of San Diego in collecting data about artists in the county
- Public Art Website: Showcase pieces around the county
- Working Budget: Meet with county supervisors to demonstrate our impact and receive a working budget

Questions?

Thank you!

See you at our next meeting!