

**ARTS & CULTURAL EVENTS COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016; 3:00 PM
KIAWAH ISLAND MUNICIPAL CENTER
DOWNSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM**

MINUTES

I. Call to Order: Mrs. Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:00PM.

II. FOIA: Notice of this meeting has been published and posted in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Kiawah Island.

III. Roll Call:

Present: Mary Johnson, Chair
Bill Blizzard
Robert Hill
Van McCollum
Joan Collar
Judy Chitwood
Jodi Rush
Becky Hilstad

Absent:

Also Present: Stephanie Braswell Edgerton, Administrative Assistant
Marilyn Ferrell, Communications Assistant

IV. Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Blizzard motioned to approve the minutes of November 10, 2016. Mr. Hill seconded the motion.

V. Old Business:

A. 2016/2017 Arts and Cultural Events Season Calendar and Financial Review

The Council discussed the following events:

2016/2017 Arts and Cultural Events (Rev.11/29/16)

Member	Event	Date Time Location	Artist	Piano / Tuning	Misc.	Misc. Notes	Accom.	Food/ Supplies	AC Budget	CEF Budget	Ticket Info
Chitwood	JAC/Charleston Jazz Orchestra Celebrating Latin jazz	Sunday, August 7, 2016 7:30pm - East Beach	\$17,570		\$930	Artist pays Venue \$500 Glasses \$280 Lighting \$150				\$18,500	460 (230) \$15 Adult \$10 Child CJO profit
Collar	Piano Bar 1 - Gary Pecorella	Wednesday, September 14, 2016 5:00-7:00pm - Sandcastle	\$250						\$250		
Collar	Piano Bar 2 - Glenn Brown	Wednesday, September 21, 2016 5:00-7:00pm - Sandcastle	\$250						\$250		
Collar	Piano Bar 3 - Joy Project Group	Wednesday, September 28, 2016 5:00-7:00pm - Sandcastle	\$400						\$400		
Hilstad	Calidore String Quartet	Sunday, October 15, 2016 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$5,000				\$1,103		\$6,103		345 (172)
Hilstad	Charleston Symphony Orchestra	Saturday, November 5, 2016 5:00pm - East Beach	\$35,000		\$280	Venue free Town pays Glasses \$300				\$35,280	
Rush	Humorist Jeanne Robertson	Wednesday, November 09, 2016 7:30pm - East Beach	\$15,000		\$300	Venue free Sound/lighting \$300	\$135		\$15,635		375 (106) \$10 ticket Town profit \$3,750
McCollum	University of S.C. Concert Choir	Friday, November 18, 2016 7:30pm - Church of our Saviour	\$1,950	\$175					\$2,125		345 (172)
Blizard	Bria Skonberg Quintet	Saturday, December 3, 2016 7:30pm - Seabrook Island House	\$8,000	\$800	\$950	Sound/lighting \$300 Backline \$650	\$838	\$125	\$10,713		403 (201)
Blizard	Moranz Group Kiawah Christmas Special	Tuesday December 13, 2016 7:30pm - East Beach	\$24,500		\$780	Artist pays Venue \$500 Town pays Glasses \$280				\$25,280	460 (230)
Chitwood	Quentin Baxter Presents Houston Person, Saxophonist	Sunday, January 8, 2017 7:30pm - Turtle Point	\$20,000			Artist pays accommodations				\$20,000	288 \$20 ticket Baxter profit
Collar	Art Film #1 20 Feet from Stardom	Friday, January 13, 2017 3:00pm - Sandcastle	\$225					\$50	\$275		
Chitwood	Fred Hersch Trio	Saturday, January 14, 2017 7:30pm - Seabrook Island House	\$7,000	\$950	\$800	Sound \$300 Backline \$500	\$685	\$100	\$9,535		403 (201)
Chitwood	Hello Pops A Tribute to Louis Armstrong feat. Wycliffe Gordon Quintet	Thursday, January 19, 2017 7:30pm - East Beach	\$11,000	\$950	\$1,580	Town pays Venue \$500 Glasses \$300 Sound/lighting \$300 Backline \$500 Piano (9th) Accommodations	\$1,118			\$14,648	460 (230) \$10 ticket Town profit \$4,600
McCollum	The King's Counterpoint	Sunday, January 22, 2017 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$3,800						\$3,800		345 (172)
Rush	Bill Charlap Trio	Wednesday, January 25, 2017 7:30pm - East Beach	\$10,000	\$950	\$1,580	Town pays Venue \$500 Glasses \$300 Sound/lighting \$300 Backline \$500 Piano (9th) Accommodations	\$704			\$13,234	460 (230) \$10 ticket Town profit \$4,600
Collar	Art Film #2 Beautiful Losers	Friday, January 27, 2017 3:00pm - Sandcastle	\$250					\$50	\$300		
Hilstad/Collar	Simone Porter, Violinist with accompanist	Sunday, January 29, 2017 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$4,500	\$800			\$563		\$5,863		345 (172)
Chitwood	Liquid Pleasure Supershow	Friday, February 3, 2017 7:30pm - East Beach	\$5,000		\$1,305	Venue free Glasses \$180 Dance floor \$925		\$250	\$6,555		460 (230) \$10 ticket Town profit \$4,600
Blizard	Judy Garmichael Jazz inspired	Monday, February 6, 2017 @ 7:30pm Tuesday, February 7, 2017 @ 7:30pm Wednesday, February 8, 2017 @ 7:30pm East Beach	\$30,000			Artist pays accommodations				\$30,000	460 (230)
Collar	Art Film #3 Picasso and Braque Go To the Movies	Friday, February 10, 2017 3:00pm - Sandcastle	\$195					\$50	\$245		
Blizard	Moranz Group Frank Sinatra's Come Fly with Me	Tuesday, February 14, 2017 7:30 pm - Seabrook	\$10,000		\$300	Sound/lighting	\$563	\$100	\$10,963		403 (201)
Rush	Charleston Southern University Young Artist Concert	Sunday, February 19, 2017 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$1,500	\$175					\$1,675		345 (172)
Chitwood	Quentin Baxter presents Regina Carter, Violinist	Monday, February 20, 2017 7:30pm - Turtle Point				Artist pays accommodations					288 \$20 ticket Baxter profit
Collar	Art Film #4 Afternoon of a Faun Tanaquilie Clercq	Friday, February 24, 2017 3:00pm - Sandcastle	\$200					\$50	\$250		
Hilstad	Seraph Brass Quintet	Sunday, February 26, 2017 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$5,500				\$1,284		\$6,784		345 (172)
Hilstad	Shai Wasner, pianist	Sunday, March 5, 2017 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$6,000	\$800	\$150	Lighting	\$168		\$7,118		345 (172)
Chitwood	Quentin Baxter presents Annie Selleck, Vocalist	Wednesday March 8, 2017 7:30pm - Turtle Point				Artist pays accommodations					288 \$20 ticket Baxter profit
Hilstad	CSO Strings + Charlton Singleton Clifford and Strings	Sunday, March 12, 2017 4:00pm - Holy Spirit	\$12,500						\$12,500		748 (374)
Collar	Columbia City Ballet Swan Lake	Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:30 pm - East Beach	\$19,000 split		\$280	Venue free Town pays Glasses \$280			\$9,000	\$10,280	250 (125)
Collar	Piano Bar 4 -	Wednesday, March 15, 2017 5:00-7:00pm - Sandcastle	\$250						\$250		
Rush	Wesla Whitfield, Jazz Vocalist	Wednesday, March 22, 2017 7:30pm - Turtle Point	\$4,000	\$800	\$300	Sound/lighting	\$670		\$5,770		388 (144)
Rush	Duo Pianists Carles & Sofia	Sunday, March 26, 2017 4:00pm - Church of our Saviour	\$5,000	\$950	\$150	lighting	\$335		\$6,435		345 (172)
Collar	Piano Bar 5 -	Wednesday, March 29, 2017 5:00-7:00pm - Sandcastle	\$250						\$250		
Blizard	13th Annual Blues by the Sea	Sunday, April 9, 2017 3:00-7:00pm - Freshfields	\$15,000							\$15,000	
Collar	Piano Bar 6 -	Wednesday, April 12, 2017 5:00-7:00pm - Sandcastle	\$400						\$400		
Rush	Piccolo Preview	Sunday, May 7, 2017 4:00pm - Holy Spirit	\$4,000							\$4,000	748 (374)
Rush	Piccolo Comes to Kiawah	First week in June 2017	\$4,000							\$4,000	\$7 OCA profit
Total									\$123,444	\$190,222	

Arts Council Budget Breakdown

spendable	\$110,000
contingency	\$5,000
adm'n	\$3,000
total	\$118,000

Trackable

spendable	\$110,000
contingency	\$5,000
ticket profit	\$8,350
balance forward from 2015/2016	\$5,000
Total	\$128,350
Events Total	\$123,444
Balance	\$4,906

Cultural Events Budget Breakdown

spendable	\$180,000
contingency	\$2,000
total	\$182,000

Trackable

spendable	\$180,000
contingency	\$2,000
ticket profit	\$9,200
balance forward from 2015/2016	\$2,117
Total	\$193,417
Events Total	\$190,222
Balance	\$3,195

Mrs. Johnson began the meeting by discussing the new total balance for both the Arts Council and the Cultural Events. Mrs. Johnson notified the Council there was a balance forward from the previous 2015/2016 fiscal year that was rolled over into this year's budget. She explained that she split the money amongst the two budgets, but could be changed or altered if need be.

Mr. Blizard discussed Bria Skonberg's event and found that there was a mishap in the scheduling for David Childs. He requested to make more formal arrangements in advanced with Mr. Childs. Mr. Blizard also stated that Bria's backline is less because she is bringing her own bass making the cost \$425 instead of \$650. Mrs. Braswell Edgerton also informed that Bria and her group would only be staying for one night and that Wyndham credited back the second night bringing her accommodations cost down to \$838.

Mrs. Johnson informed the Council with her departure from the Council that Ms. Ferrell would be taking on the role of scheduling the production arrangements.

The Council discussed increasing seating and tickets for the Moranz Christmas Special. They discussed at length the benefits of having theatre seating for more guests or to leave it as is with the seating with tables. Mr. Hill suggested sending an email to guests stating that it is best to carpool or arrive early due to limited parking at East Beach.

Mrs. Chitwood discussed the Quentin Baxter series and presented Council the flyers. She stated that she was again having issues posting flyers at the Sandcastle. She stated that the employee at the Sandcastle could not accept any promotional flyers more than a month in advance. Mrs. Braswell Edgerton stated she would reach out to KICA on this issue.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she is working on scheduling Andrew Edwards for tuning Fred Hersch's piano twice in one day. The Fred Hersch Trio requires a tuning before practice and before performance.

Mrs. Hilstad informed the Council that she will be out of town for three weeks in January, and will need help with setting up the Simone Porter event. Mrs. Johnson stated that the flyer needs to be done soon, so that Mrs. Hilstad can have it approved before she leaves.

The Council discussed possibly promoting "January of Jazz" because of the amount of jazz events within the month. The Council agreed this could be a good marketing tool to draw more guests.

Mrs. Hilstad remarked that Shai Wosner would be departing on Tuesday, March 7, 2017. The Council currently has him departing on Monday, March 6, 2017. Mrs. Hilstad will confirm and report back his accommodations.

Mrs. Collar stated that she has scheduled the second set of Piano Bars. Glenn Brown is scheduled for March 15, 2017, and The Joy Project is scheduled for April 12, 2017. Mrs. Collar is still working to finalize the Piano Bar for March 29, 2017. Mrs. Johnson suggested booking Gary Pecorella or the Lowhills. Mrs. Johnson informed that the Lowhills had a large turnout the last time they played.

Mrs. Rush asked to confirm that Wesla Whitfield's accommodations are wheelchair accessible. Mrs. Johnson confirmed that she is reserved at the Andell Inn, and they are ADA compliant.

Mr. Blizzard told the Council that he may not be able to be at the “Blues by the Sea” event, so he may need someone to help in setting the event up and introducing the artists.

VI. New Business:

A. Artists Proposal Review

Mrs. Chitwood presented a potential event of a dual performance of Jeremy Denk & Stefan Jackiw for the 2017/2018 season at the cost of \$6,000-7,000. Mrs. Chitwood explained that the Council would need to commit in advance to secure the date and rate. Mrs. Johnson asked for pre-approval of the proposal. Mr. Blizzard 2nd the motion. The motion passed 5-1. The Council discussed this event after the voting ended.

VII. Correspondence:

None

VIII. Committee Member Comments

Mr. McCollum asked the Council if anyone had any contact with Lowcountry Voices. The Council advised that now they were not in contact with the group, but that they have had them in the past. Mrs. Johnson advised to reach out to them because the Council would like to have them perform again, but prefer their performance consists of a variety of gospel and secular entertaining music.

IX. Chairman’s Comments:

Kent Bold joined the Council meeting and Mrs. Johnson presented him with a gift to thank him for all that he has done for the Arts Council.

Mrs. Johnson stated that the Council should be receiving an email in regards to the “Board to Board” event and encouraged the Council to attend to meet other people involved in the Charleston arts community.

Mrs. Johnson also stated that she was made aware that there is an Instagram/Twitter campaign occurring in December that using the hashtag “#yamahasharethegift” with a holiday video, that the Yamaha Keyboard Division is donating a PSR-E253 keyboard (MSRP \$199.99) to the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation. These keyboards will then be distributed to school music programs throughout the country.

Mrs. Johnson closed out her remarks with thanking the Council for allowing her to serve for the last twelve and a half years. Mrs. Johnson is currently running for mayor, and this meeting was her last as being the Chair of the Arts Council.

IX. Citizens’ Comments:

None

X. Adjournment

**Mr. Blizzard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 PM. Mrs. Chitwood seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted by: Marilyn Ferrell
Marilyn Ferrell, Communications Assistant

Approved by: Diana Mezzanotte
Diana Mezzanotte, Chair

Date: 11/29/17