

November 2009 Administrative Report

MAC highlights since we last met on October 14, 2009:

October 14, 2009 -- Wisconsin Arts Board's annual Regranting Program Participants Evaluation Meeting, required of all Regranting Program participants.

Screenings of “View and Muse: Contemporary Art on the Big Screen”—
Community Screenings of *Art:21*- Continues throughout October.

- 1) October 15 MMoCA,
- 2) October 22 Chazen,
- 3) October 29 Wautrous at Overture

Nicholas Schweitzer introduced all films as a representative of the commission
Connie Kilmark attended 10/29

Central Park Meetings –

- 1) **September**--Central Park Staff Meeting. Advised Parks, Planning, and Engineering staff to require a public artist to be part of the engineering design team that creates central park to “increase the possibility that an artistic vision or idea forms the basis of the entire project. It will also allow for art thinking to be integrated with that of that of the engineers and other members of the team who together will create the armature of this important urban park.”
- 2) **October 19, 2009**--Met with consultant teams responding to RFP for a Question/answer period prior to their submittal. Explained that including an artist at this initial stage of Central Park planning is consistent with Madison’s Public Art Plan which asks that artists be included as collaborators in the design of all of Madison’s major capital projects. The plan states that the intention of the artist’s work as collaborators in capital project design is to inform the overall project’s intention and to participate in shaping its overall form.
- 3) **November 11, 2009**--Interviews with engineering firms. Marsha Rummel

October 19, 2009--**Attended Hard Hat Tour of the New Madison Children’s Museum site**. City land in front of the building has been identified as a possible site for public art project.

October 20, 2009--**Met with Bill Barker, the chair of the parks commission**, to continue to relationship build and foster communication with other City agencies, departments, divisions, commissions and committees.

October 20, 2009--**Common Council Meeting** Harry Whitehorse received honoring resolution and Cultural Plan Steering Committee was approved.

October 21, 2009—**Center for Culture, History, & Environment (CHE) Colloquium**, Bradley Memorial: Karen Crossley, Director of the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission, who spoke on the topic "Environmental Art / Eco-Art in Dane County, Wisconsin."

October 23, 2009—**Imagine, Creative Conversation** – Participated in **8-county capital regional dialogue** about the arts and cultural ecology in the capital region.

October 23, 2009--DMI Arts Group **MATC Downtown Arts Campus Master Plan** –MATC presented information about their plans to turn their downtown campus into an arts-focused center. Mary Berryman Agard also attended

October 26, 2009--**Met with Bob Wynn of Asset Builders** and Brent Hoffmann of North Coast Entertainment to discuss how the City could do more to support Madison's artists of color. Mr. Wynn, has been holding a series of meetings with area artists and professionals whose jobs intersect with artists to hold these conversations. He is particularly passionate about educating Madisonians about the cultural importance of Hip Hop.

October 26, 2009—**Attended Board of Estimates meeting** to answer any questions related to Amendment 18 which proposed cutting the Arts Grants funds. **Amendment 18 failed.**

October 28, 2009--Attended **community meeting about restoration of Statue of Liberty in Warner Park.** *(See related articles in Press & Media).*

November 4, 2009--**First Cultural Plan Steering Committee meeting.** Scope approved. Next meeting scheduled for January. Patty Elson attended.

November 5, 2009—At the request of Karen Goeshko of the Wisconsin Arts Board and Anne Katz of Arts Wisconsin, MAC Administrator travelled with them to conduct **peer-to-peer mentoring with La Crosse City Planning and Arts Board** about their interest in establishing an arts district.

November 9, 2009--**Impact of Zoning Code on the Arts**
Staff met with Mary Berryman Agard to discuss the Zoning Code Re-write and the impact of the Zoning Code on the Arts.

November 9, 2009--**Review of Signature Grant Applications**
Celia Klehr ex officio, Leslee Nelson, Tom Farley, Patty Elson, Connie Kilmark and José Madera
Monday, November 9 5:00pm
MMB Room LL 110
All MAC members available

De-installation of Chernobyl Exhibition and the Monroe Street Business photographs & **Installation** of Center for Photography photos on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Madison Municipal Building, Installation Chinese Fine Art Association in MMB

November 7, 2009--**Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable**- The Toolkit was previewed in a hands-on workshop at the 2009 Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable, an annual convening hosted by the Mayor to connect neighborhood activists with current city issues, projects, and resources. At the workshop, neighborhood residents learned what the cultural plan can mean at the neighborhood level and how to use the Toolkit to host discussion groups and submit opinions and ideas from those groups directly to the planning team.

November 12, 2009 --**Bill Ivey Lecture – Arts, Inc.: Greed, Neglect and Our Cultural Rights**-Former chair of the National Endowment for the Arts and recent Arts and Humanities leader for President Obama's transition team, Bill Ivey has been exploring the nexus of art and public policy for decades. He spoke about his vision for a federal, state and local public arts policy that reaches wider and digs deeper than the system now. <http://www.artsenterprise.wisc.edu>
Respondents Lt. Gov. Barb Lawton, ED of WAB-George Tzougrou, DCCAC-Karen Crossley, MAC-Karin Wolf. Commissioners Patty Elson, Connie Kilmark, and Leslee Nelson in attendance.

Coming Soon:

Regular MAC Meeting

ALL MEMBERS

Tuesday, December 8, 2009 5:00 pm, Room LL 110

December 10, 2009: **Effective Grant Proposal Writing**

-WAB, MAC, DCCAC, & Community Foundation at the UW Arboretum, Two Free Workshops for Wisconsin's Creative Community Presented by the Wisconsin Arts Board in partnership with: the Madison Arts Commission, the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission, and the Madison Community Foundation

Where? The workshops will be held at the UW-Madison Arboretum Visitor Center
1207 Seminole Hwy, Madison

When? 9:00 am – Noon (Focus: Organizational Support grants)

5:30 pm – 9:00 pm (Focus: Arts Project grants)

January 26, 2009 MAC Honors Event 4:30-6:00pm Goodman Community Center.