

Syracuse City Arts Council - Meeting Minutes - February 5th, 2025

Members Present: Libby Fawcett, Christopher Weaver, LeAnna Hamblin, Bradley Hamblin, Kenzie Buckway, Daphne Lynch, Jason Anderson, Taylor Sachs, Heather Sachs - Mayor Maughan also present

Members Absent: Kresta Robinson

- Meeting called to order @ 8:05pm.
- February 5th agenda adopted as written. Motioned by LeAnna, seconded by Kenzie, all present motioned "ay".
- January 8th minutes approved as written. Motioned by LeAnna, seconded by Taylor, all present motioned "ay".

No Public Comment

Discussion of Upcoming Events

Orchestra

- Concerts on March 10th, 2025: June 6th, 2025

Jazz Band

- Concerts on February 15th, 2025: June 6th, 2025: July 27th, 2025

Theatre

- Addams Family performances July 17th-21st, 2025

Bingo Night Updates

- Tentative dates on March 19th, 2025: June 25th, 2025: October 22nd, 2025
- On January 8th Bradley emailed Warehouse 22 requesting the March 19th and June 25th dates. Warehouse 22 said they would check those dates with their team and requested we email them SCAC's mission statement and what we do for the community. LeAnna emailed Warehouse 22 regarding SCAC's mission statement on January 22nd. No response from Warehouse 22 since then.

Addams Family Update

- Auditions are on April 16th and 17th, callbacks will be on April 18th. Notably, we will be doing callbacks on a Friday this year, as Saturday the 19th is the day before Easter.
- We are looking at having a live orchestra on the stage for the performances, LeAnna will touch base with Tim Koster to discuss this possibility.
- Kenzie has lost access to the publicity information from Theatre Rights Worldwide.

Summer Camp Update

- Janna Weber is willing to help with choreography, and Ashley Fawcett is willing to head up the camp.
- The camp's theme might be adjusted from "Dancing Through Summer". Ashley will let us know when she settles on the new theme.
- June 19th is a conflict with the Summer Camp because the Rec Center will likely be unavailable. For now, we will put a hold on the discussion. LeAnna needs to discuss with Kresta about if we'll be able to use the Rec Center on June 19th.

- Also, on Tuesday June 17th and Thursday June 19th, the Rec Center has a yoga class, so the bootcamp will be pushed back 30 minutes. New time will be 9:30am-12:00pm.
- Another conflict is the senior luncheon.

Updates regarding Emails/501c3/Articles of Incorporation

- We currently have 31 emails with Bluehost, a cost of \$1,116 per year. We will be switching to Office 365.
- Libby suggested we have only 9 emails, one for each council member, at a cost of \$3.25 per month per email. But this cost is only for a non-profit. If we were to get the emails as part of the city, the price would be higher.
- Libby paid \$22 to reserve our organization's name with the Utah Department of Commerce.
- Libby typed up articles of incorporation.
 - We will make Kresta Robinson our registered agent.
 - We adopted the name "Syracuse City Arts Council, Inc."
 - We chose 3 incorporators: Bradley Hamblin, Daphne Lynch or Jason Anderson, and Kenzie Buckway.
 - Libby motioned to send the articles of incorporation to Collin Winchester for him to review and add a provision regarding monetary damages, then she will collect necessary signatures, and send the articles of incorporation to the Utah Department of Commerce, Division of Corporations and Commercial Code. LeAnna seconded, all present motioned "ay".
- Once we are officially a nonprofit, we can move forward with getting emails setup with Office 365.
 - We tentatively decided on names for each email, they are as follows:
 - Libby - info@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Daphne - treasurer@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Kenzie - publicity@syracuseutaharts.org
 - LeAnna - theatre@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Christopher - orchestra@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Jason - jazzband@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Bradley - fundraising@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Heather - donate@syracuseutaharts.org
 - Taylor - secretary@syracuseutaharts.org
 - These names are subject to change, at our next meeting in March we will discuss if we would like to make any changes to them.

Summer Theatre 2026 and Jr. Theatre 2026 Show Discussion and Vote

- After a lengthy discussion, it was voted that SCAC's 2026 Summer show will be "The Wizard of Oz" and our 2026 Jr. Theatre show will be "The Lion King Jr."

Publicity

- Kenzie needs headshots and bios for every council member.
- Kenzie has posters for our Music Mosaic concert.
- Kenzie has had some troubles with the city newsletter, either writing too short or too long or blurbs about our performances. To settle the issue, she said she would ask the newsletter's editor for a word count to stay within.

- Publicity will start advertising for “The Addams Family” auditions.
- Christopher said he would talk to Kenzie about a change that needs to be made to the orchestra concert’s flyers.

Walk In Items

- Hopebox Choir Discussion
 - Christopher brought up inviting the Hopebox choir to sing with the orchestra at their upcoming concert. The Hopebox choir will perform for free as long as we meet their requests. Those being: during the performance they explain the Hopebox Theatre and its mission, put their logo on posters/flyers, and that we allow them to put their donation box in the lobby. However, Mayor Maughan pointed out that the Hopebox choir’s requests may be in violation of the Council’s bylaws. As stated in Article IX of the bylaws: “*As a Board member it would be inappropriate to take an active part in the promotion of a competing organization without the prior approval of the Board.*” Also, it was discussed that taking time during the performance to advertise the Hopebox Theatre and its mission directly pushes our audience away to other competing theatres. Lastly, putting the Hopebox Theatre’s donation box in our lobby would be a conflict of interest, as we also have our own donation box in the lobby. It was decided that since we cannot meet the Hopebox choir’s requests due to the council’s bylaws, we will not move forward with inviting them to perform with the orchestra.
- June 6th Orchestra Concert Guest Artist
 - We are still looking for a possible guest artist for the Orchestra’s June 6th concert. LeAnna said she would reach out to Casey Elliot and Genti.

Future Agenda Items

- Storage Container Update
- 501c3 Update
- Piano Tuned in the Syracuse Community Center
 - The Mayor pointed out that we may be able to pull from the RAP tax to pay for the tuning. Libby will contact Kresta about doing so.

Christopher motioned to adjourn, Libby seconded, all present motioned “ay”. Meeting adjourned @ 9:40pm.