

Maryland Public Art Commission September 21, 2023, 9:00-10:30 am Virtual Meeting Meeting Minutes

ATTENDING:

Chad Buterbaugh, Kathy O'Dell, Elizabeth Hughes, Jamie Heater, Elaine Bachmann, Alex B. on behalf of Ben Seigel, Leslie Kahn, Judy Kwon, Molline Jackson, Rebecca Massie Lane, Chris Sloan (MSAC Councilor), Liesel Fenner, Ryan Patterson, Jerome Gray attended in unofficial capacity as he was awaiting his second term Court swearing-in.

Public Meeting Opens - Welcome, Kathy O'Dell, Chair

- Liesel Fenner presented MSAC Grounding Documents
- Meeting called to order, 9:00 am
- Meeting Minutes from 6-15-23:
 - Motion for Approval: Kathy O'Dell
 - Second: Elaine Bachmann
 - In Favor: all

MSAC Updates, Chad Buterbaugh, MSAC Deputy Director

- Reviewed organization chart
- Liesel noted that Nora Howell was just hired as the Public Art Project Manager position and will start October 11.
- AMS Consultants will be conducting MSAC's Strategic Planning process over FY2023
- The MSAC FY23 Annual Report was published and is posted **here** and includes the breakdown of all our grants.

MPAC Administration, Kathy O'Dell

- Election of Vice-Chair, candidate Molline Jackson, representing Prince George's County
 - Motion: Rebecca Massie Lane
 - Second: Judy Kwon
 - No Discussion
 - In favor: all
- Executive Committee: is seeking two additional members to join Kathy and Molline in the executive leadership of MPAC. Interested volunteers are requested to email Liesel.

Program Report, Ryan Patterson, Public Art Project Manager, Arts Capital Coordinator

- Public Art Roster is complete and will serve as the primary tool for selecting artists for Artwork Commissions in state buildings. 435 artists were selected.
- UMES School of Pharmacy & Health Professions dedicated *The Family* by Ayokunle Odeleye on Sept 11.

- The second artwork for the interior lobby by Ebon Heath will be in storage due to structural support issues to suspend the work. The team will be striving to include the piece in the second Health Professions building that is to be built at UMES. They will contract with Ebon to install.
- Ongoing Projects: we are actively managing 11 individual artist contracts across 7 state owned buildings. Two new projects are starting, and another will finish by end of calendar year 2023. Refer to chart in addendum.
- Upcoming FY24-26 Projects:
 - -8 USM
 - -3 District Courts
 - -1 Community College
 - -1 Specialized Education Campus (School for the Deaf)

Staff will review each project on whether it will be prioritized for receiving public art based on construction timeline, public access, prominence in state and alignment with MSAC mission, geographic diversity, and agency willingness to collaborate. The prioritized projects will be reviewed with the Commission for final approval.

Revolution War Memorial, Elaine Bachmann, State Archivist

- The State House Trust approved a proposal to honor Maryland African American soldiers that served in the American Revolutionary War for Independence. The Trust guides all interpretation of the State House. They must approve anything for the State House. Steven Lee brought the project to the Trust (PAAM Planning Grantee), and MPAC/MSAC will be involved. Designation of funding is being sought in FY25/26, and will be a capital project of DGS. We would like MPAC to be involved in the scope of the RFQ and the selection process (with a committee). We see this project as part of the Maryland 250 Commission and unveiled by or before July 4, 2026. The location will be on the southeast front of the State House formerly where the Taney sculpture was sited. There happens to be new landscaping going in here and DGS will be providing infrastructure for the sculpture, such as lighting. This will be a new model for how we can work together.
- Kathy asked for volunteers to serve on this Committee, Molline volunteered.

Open Sharing Discussion, Kathy O'Dell

• MPAC Video Project, Molline Jackson reported on the update of the video project that started with the interview of MPAC Emeritus Commissioners Rand Griffin and Catherine Leggett last April. She is seeking to schedule additional interviews. Jamie added how important storytelling is to our work.

Kathy shared about the recent Beyond Granite exhibition by Monument Lab on The National Mall, of temporary monuments and the adjunct symposium that was held at the International Center for Peace.

Kathy and Elaine cited the importance of conservation in our ongoing work and knowing the intent of the artist when conserving work.

Elizabeth added how this is so important to historic preservation offices across the country too.

The GSA Art in Architecture program has a comprehensive conservation program and Ryan recc: MPAC take their tour.

10:30 Meeting adjourned

ACTIVE PROJECTS	AGENCY	CLIENT	PROJECT	ARTIST	Commission Value	Anticipated Completion
Planning	UMCP	USMSM	SMART Building	TBD	\$330,000	TBD
Planning	UMCP	UMBC	Sherman Hall	TBD	\$370,000	TBD
Procurement Approved!	UMB	τu	College of Health Professions Building	Dixie Friend Gay (TX)	\$190,000	Sep. 2024
Procurement Approved!	UMB	τu	College of Health Professions Building	Ball-Nogues Studio (CA)	\$355,000	Oct. 2024
Concept Design	UMCP	BSU	Communication Arts and Humanities	Victor Ekpuk(VA)	\$515,000	Jan. 2025
Design Development	SMCM	SMCM	Dodge Performing Arts Center	Aurora Robson (NY)	\$250,000	Sep. 2024
Fabrication	DGS	District Courts	Catonsville District Court	Wesley Clark (MD)	\$50,000	May 2024
Fabrication	DGS	District Courts	Catonsville District Court	Jackson Jarvis Studio (MD)	\$150,000	Sep. 2024
Fabrication	UMCP	FSU	Education and Health Sciences Center	Stacia Goodman (MN)	\$75,000	June 2024
Fabrication	UMCP	FSU	Education and Health Sciences Center	David Hess (MD)	\$210,000	July 2024
Installation Pending	UMB	CSU	Percy Julian Renovation for the College of Business	Nnamdi Okonkwo (GA)	\$240,000	Oct. 19, 2023
Complete Contract Close Out	UMCP	UMES	School of Pharmacy and Health Professions	Ayokunle Odeleye (GA)	\$85,000	Complete
Paused Indefinitely (Contract Close Out)	UMCP	UMES	School of Pharmacy and Health Professions	Ebon Heath (NY)	\$175,000	In Storage until Phase II Building
			TOTALS:	11 individual contracts	\$2,995,000	