

ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
APRIL 14, 2009

Present: Andrea Endresz-Vlachos; Gloria Murphy; Judy Edwards; and Arts Coordinator Emily Areson.

Meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Co-Chair Andrea Endresz-Vlachos.

Emily reported that 120 people have signed up for the Arts Commission April 24th show featuring belly dancers.

We will have left in our account at the end of the fiscal year \$9.62. In February we collected \$168 and in March \$152 in donations. This money is put in our special agency account to be used for future performances.

Emily mentioned that with the consent of the Board of Finance and Town Council, we will begin to charge \$5 for our performances. The reason being that many of the spectators are out of town residents.

On Sunday, May 17th, the Arts Commission will co-sponsor a musical program with the Seniors. The performers will be the CT Chamber Orchestra and the show will start at 2:00 p.m. The Seniors will provide wine, cheese and sandwiches.

Programs for 2009-10:

October 4	Dennis Polisky (Polish music)
November 1	Alpenland Tanzer (German music)
December 13	PacofCT (a Winter ballet and music) This will be a free show
January 24	White Eyed Lizard band (Calypso music)
February 12	“And the Oscar Goes to...Michael J. (academy award music)
March 21	River City Slim Zydeco Band (Cajun)
April 23	Family Tradition Country Western
May	Gay Mens Chorus or NYC

Charge will be \$5 for each performance except the December 13th show.

Request was made by THS to sponsor “Broken Shells.” The Commission approved to donate \$200 from the Special Agency Fund to THS to be used for “Broken Shells.”

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Art Show to be held at Westfield Mall starting May 28th. This will run for two weeks.

Emily is looking into signing Harmony on the Sound and NYC for the Arts Festival.

Next meeting is May 12th.

Adjournment 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Bokine, Clerk