

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION
THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018
6:30 P.M.
JOSEPH N. GOFF HOUSE**

Minutes

East Hampton Arts & Culture Commission Meeting held July 19, 2018 at the Joseph N. Goff House

Call to Order – Carol Lane, Shauna Lange, Ed Yocher, Melissa Pionzio, Shirley Brooks and Phyllis Martin present.

Approval of May 20 meeting minutes – approved

Public Comment – none

Old Business

Wade Russo Theater Chat presentation – Wade Russo the summer music director at the Goodspeed Opera House has offered to do a non-partisan presentation on the influence of politics on the American musical. A potential date is Tuesday, Aug. 14 at the East Hampton Public Library. Commissioners discussed hosting such an event and whether the topic of politics is appropriate. The commission approved hosting the event on Aug. 14. Five in favor, one with reservations about the idea.

Art Open House /Open Studio – Some local artists have asked about the event. Saturday Oct. 28 is the potential date with an exhibit space for those who don't have a studio to open – possibly the Goff House, Cong. Church or another larger venue.

New Business

New commission assignments. We currently have 2 vacancies on the commission and three terms coming up in December. Melissa asked if someone could take on the meeting minutes or help out with the Facebook page/web site/publicity. Commissioners offered to help with Facebook and minutes. Melissa will look into renewal of our web page and adding the EHACC email onto the web site management.

Other event planning – Hold a reception for artists either before the open studio event or after the event to discuss how it went. September might be a good time to host a pre-event open house, 3 to 5 p.m. on Sept. 22 at the Goff House Museum. Commissioners agreed to host an open house before Open Studio and to send an announcement about the open house to the papers. We must wait for the town budget to be passed before we can plan for additional event ideas.

Budget Review – The town budget has not been passed yet.

Commissioners Reports of Future Events – Walk and Talk on Aug. 4 of the Bevin Bell Factory hosted by Chatham Historical Society, CHS House tour is Sept. 29 and a fall festival on Oct. 14; The Writers Guild Community open house and ice cream social, July 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Bevin House.

Public Comment – none

Adjournment 7:40 p.m.