

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019
6:30 P.M.
JOSEPH N. GOFF HOUSE
MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of the Agenda - adopted
3. Approval of Minutes - April 18, 2019 - approved
4. Public Comments – none

*Addition by Ellen Paul our town liaison – Bells of Belltown initiative will be by the EH Rotary. The Rotary is looking for 25 people or businesses to purchase a bell that is about 20 inches wide, 17 inches tall and then have artists decorate it and then the bell will be auctioned off. They are looking to do this by August and auction them in March/April 2020. EHACC could help find an artist to help decorate the bell that would be donated to the library, decorated with a library theme. The bells are \$300 and then the donor would find someone to decorate it. When it goes into auction, the donor is required to put in a minimum of \$200. So the people/places would need to commit to at least \$500. Perhaps the Rotary could come to a meeting and speak to us.

5. Facebook Publicity – tabled until next month's meeting.
6. Sculpture Mile Initiative – EHACC will reach out to the Hollyhock Foundation over the summer. Commissioners thought a visit to one of the towns that have done the program would be a good idea. Would the Bells of Belltown be an overlap?
7. Student Art Awards – commissioners reviewed some of the student artwork that was selected from the All District Student Art Show.

Pictures from all the schools and a digital piece from the high school. A visiting Chinese student's artwork will receive honorable mention and if possible be included in the exhibit. He would also receive a bell.

Suggested Date: 6/6 - members agreed on June 6 could work and hang the artwork at the town hall through July.

Bell Award – commissioners reviewed an idea to have the bell set on a piece of wood with a little plaque but decided to just have each bell engraved directly instead. EHACC 2019 Student Art Award will be the engraving on the bell. Commissioners agreed on the 7 1/2 inch bell at \$34 each for six students. Carol will try to make some certificate of appreciation, Shirley will order the bells from Divine Jewelers and have them engraved.

8. Wade Russo – Carol has tried to contact Wade regarding the theater chat program and he was going to get back to her but has not. She will try again. Ellen will check on some dates for the library room.

9. Art Purchase Award – Commissioners reviewed the two paintings that were selected by Cecilia Peterson and Skye Garafolo.

Placement – Center School would receive the Love is Free painting and the East Hampton Senior Center would receive the winter scene of the Comstock Bridge if they don't already have a bridge painting. If not, the EH Middle School would be good too.

10. Selection of Officers – tabled until next month. We have one vacancy on the commission
11. Financial Report – After the student art award program we will have about \$500 left in our budget. Commissioners suggested placing an ad in the high school graduation program, sponsor one of the bells in the Bells of Belltown program, sponsor a Wreaths Across America wreath. Members will continue to brainstorm on ideas on how the funds could be used and discuss at the next meeting.
12. Commissioner's Reports – EH Art Association will have artist Andrew Wallach from East Hampton on June 15, with a June 1 deadline for applications at the library or town hall. Goff House will host the top 10 Student Awards Program on June 11 at the library. Songs of the Northeast will be held May 21 at the library at 6 p.m. and Dorie Greenspan, a renowned cookbook author will be coming to the library July 17 with a community potluck a 5:30 p.m. and the talk at 6:30 p.m. The Joseph N. Goff House concert series begins on June 20 at 6:30 p.m. and continues on Thursdays during the summer in the Village Center.
13. Adjournment – 7:45 p.m.