



# Commission for Arts and Culture

City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture

## POLICY & FUNDING COMMITTEE

### AGENDA

San Diego Central Library @ Joan Irwin Jacobs Common – Mary Hollis Room

330 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101

Hyperlink to attend the meeting at its scheduled time available [here](#)

**Friday, April, 12, 2024**

**10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

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10:45 a.m.	I.	Call to Order	Tyler Hewes, Chair
10:55 a.m.	II.	Non-agenda Public Comment	
11:00 a.m.	III.	Chair’s Reports	Tyler Hewes
		A. ACTION – January 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes	
		B. Commission Business	
		C. Other Reports	
11:15 p.m.	IV.	<b>ACTION</b> – Fiscal Year 2025 Organizational Support Program (OSP) and Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) Ranks	
11:30 a.m.	V.	Staff Reports	Christine Jones, <b>Chief of Civic Art Strategies</b>
11:45 am	VI.	New Business for Future Agendas	Tyler Hewes
11:50 a.m.	VII.	Adjourn	Tyler Hewes

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### MINUTES

Friday, January 12, 2024

#### Members Present

Tyler Hewes, Vice Chair  
Tracy Dezenzo  
Kamaal Martin  
Abe Hughes  
Dr. Alberto Pulido

#### Absent

Lee Ann Kim

#### Staff Present

Christine E. Jones  
Kip Eischen  
Gabrielle Romberger

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- I. Call to Order | [VIEW HERE](#) – Chair Hewes called the City of San Diego (City) Commission for Arts and Culture’s Policy & Funding Committee meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.
- II. Non-agenda Public Comment | [VIEW HERE](#)
- III. Chair’s Reports
- A. **ACTION** – December 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes | [VIEW HERE](#) – **Commissioner Hughes made a motion to approve the minutes of December 8, 2023. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0; the motion passed.**
- Yea: Hewes, Dezenzo, Martin, Hughes, Pulido (5)**
- Nay: (0)
- Abstention:(0)
- Recusal: (0)
- B. Commission Business – None
- C. Other Reports – None
- IV. **ACTION** – Slate of Commission Advisory Panelists Candidates to Evaluate Proposals Submitted in Response to the Fiscal Year 2025 Organizational Support Program (OSP) and Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) Application, Part 2 | [VIEW HERE](#) – Senior Arts and Culture Funding Manger Kip Eischen presented the Slate of Commission Advisory Panelist Candidates. **Commissioner Martin made a motion to recommend to the Commission for Arts and Culture the Slate of Commission Advisory Panelist Candidates. Commissioner Hughes seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0; the motion passed.**
- Yea: Pulido, Hewes, Dezenzo, Martin, Hughes (5)**
- Nay: (0)
- Abstention:(0)
- Recusal: (0)

- V. Staff Reports | [VIEW HERE](#)– Chief of Civic Arts Strategies Christine E. Jones provided an update on World Design Capital, Impact and Creative City, the City of San Diego’s cultural planning initiative.
- VI. New Business for Future Agendas | [VIEW HERE](#)– Chair Hewes spoke about AEP6, the creative economy study.
- VII. Adjourn – Chair Hewes adjourned the meeting at approximately noon.



# Commission for Arts and Culture

## STAFF REPORT

DATE ISSUED: April 09, 2024

ATTENTION: Policy & Funding Committee

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2025 Organizational Support Program (OSP) and Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) Ranks

REFERENCES: 1. List of FY25 Organizational Support Program Applicants and Ranks  
2. List of FY25 Creative Communities San Diego Applicants and Ranks

STAFF CONTACT: Gabrielle Romberger, Arts and Culture Funding Project Manager

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### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend that the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture (Commission) recommend to the City of San Diego Mayor and City Council the proposal ranks for fiscal year 2025, as follows:

1. Recommend proposal ranks for Organizational Support Program, as submitted by Commission Advisory Panels.
2. Recommend proposal ranks for Creative Communities San Diego funding categories, as submitted by Commission Advisory Panels.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of San Diego (City) issued the Part 1 Application for fiscal Year 2025 Organizational Support Program (OSP) and Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) funding categories during October 2023. Approximately one hundred and ninety-seven (197) organizations submitted an application in response to the Part 1 Application. Of those applicants, approximately one hundred ninety-four (194) were deemed qualified and invited to submit a Part 2 application. Qualified applicants with an agreement with the City for fiscal year 2024 OSP and CCSD funding were able to elect between submitting a Part 2 Application proposal and requesting that the City exercise the Option to Renew their agreement. The value to an existing OSP or CCSD agreement holder in submitting a Part 2 Application is that the organization can update or refine organizational details such as program details and compete for a higher score than achieved in the past. In total, seventy-seven (77) eligible proposals were submitted in response to the Part 2 Application and one hundred and three (103) applicants requested and were granted the Option to Renew. Organizations who were granted the Option to Renew retain their ratified rank from the previous year. In January 2024, the Commission appointed Commission Advisory Panels (CAP) to participate in the review of proposals received by the City for the fiscal year 2025 OSP and CCSD funding categories. Over a two-week period, the Funding Advisory Panel convened in ten (10) separate public meetings. Each panel evaluated a specific group of proposals using standard criteria and scoring. The panels also included a process allowing applicants to address the panel at two prescribed intervals- prior to and following the panel discussion of applicant proposals. After evaluation of all proposals and scoring, each Funding Advisory Panel voted to recommend ranks for their specific group of proposals. The lists included with this report show all qualified applicants, including the recommended ranks provided by the fiscal year 2025 CAPs and ranks retained by applicants who were granted the Option to Renew.

As stated in the Fiscal Year 2025 OSP Funding Guidelines and Fiscal Year 2025 CCSD Funding Guidelines, any organization who received a rank of 2+ or below, will be deemed “not aligned with scoring criteria” and will not be recommended to receive an award. Per the guidelines: “Any applicant not recommended to receive an award may submit a written appeal to staff no later than 5:00 p.m. on the tenth calendar day following notification from staff to the applicant that no award is being recommended. Staff did not receive any appeals.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Following Policy & Funding Committee's recommendation, the Commission will receive and vote to recommend the Part 2 Application proposal ranks to the Mayor and City Council. Staff will use recommended ranks as one factor in the calculation of each applicant's award amount. Using the standard award algorithm as stated in the Fiscal Year 2025 OSP Funding Guidelines and Fiscal Year 2025 CCSD Funding Guidelines, any organization who received a rank of 2+ or below, will not be recommended for funding. Final award amounts will be announced by June 28, 2024, all contingent on available funds in the adopted Fiscal Year 2025 City budget.

## Fiscal Year 2025 Organizational Support Program (OSP) Ranks

Art of Elan	4-
Art Produce	3+
ArtReach*	4-
Arts Education Connection San Diego*	4-
Bach Collegium San Diego*	4-
Backyard Renaissance Theatre Company	3+
Balboa Art Conservation Center	4-
Balboa Park Cultural Partnership*	4-
Balboa Park Online Collaborative	4-
Blindspot Collective	4-
Camarada Inc*	3+
Choral Consortium of San Diego*	4-
City Ballet Inc*	4-
Classics 4 Kids*	4-
Culture Shock Dance Troupe, Inc.*	3+
Cygnnet Theatre Company	3
DanzArts	3+
Diversionsary Theatre Productions, Inc.*	4
Encore Vocal Ensemble of San Diego	4-
Fern Street Community Arts Inc*	4-
Finest City Performing Arts	4-
Gaslamp Quarter Historical Foundation*	3
Guitars in the Classroom*	4
Hausmann Quartet Foundation*	3+
Isadoranow Foundation	4-
Japanese Friendship Garden & Museum of San Diego*	4-
La Jolla Historical Society*	3+
La Jolla Music Society	4-
La Jolla Symphony & Chorus Association*	4-
Lambda Archives of San Diego*	4-
Lao Community Cultural Center of San Diego	3+
Loud Fridge Theatre Group	4-
Mainly Mozart Inc*	4-
Malashock Dance & Company	4-
Maritime Museum Association of San Diego*	4-
Media Arts Center San Diego	4-

Mingei International, Inc.*	4-
Mojalet Dance Collective*	3
MOXIE Theatre, Inc.*	4-
Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego*	4-
New Americans Museum*	4-
NTC Foundation*	4-
Old Globe Theatre	4-
Opera Neo*	3+
Otic Theater Collective	3+
Outside the Lens*	4-
Pacific Arts Movement	4-
Persian Cultural Center*	4-
Playwrights Project*	4-
Project BLANK*	4-
Prophet World Beat Productions*	4-
Resounding Joy, Inc*	4-
Reuben H. Fleet Science Center*	4-
Revision Project Inc	4-
Rosin Box Project Inc	4-
Sacra/Profana*	4-
San Diego Air & Space Museum*	4-
San Diego Archaeological Center*	3+
San Diego Architectural Foundation*	3+
San Diego Art Institute*	3+
San Diego Automotive Museum	3+
San Diego Ballet*	3+
San Diego Center for Jewish Culture*	4-
San Diego Chapter of Sweet Adelines*	3+
San Diego Children's Choir*	4-
San Diego Chinese Historical Society and Museum	3+
San Diego Civic Youth Ballet, Inc.*	4-
San Diego Collaborative Arts Project	3
San Diego Comic Convention*	3+
San Diego Craft Collective*	3
San Diego Dance Theatre*	3+
San Diego Early Music Society*	4-
San Diego History Center*	4-

San Diego Junior Theatre*	3
San Diego Master Chorale	4-
San Diego Museum Council Inc*	4-
San Diego Museum of Art	4-
San Diego Museum of Man	4-
San Diego Musical Theatre	3
San Diego Opera Association*	4-
San Diego Society of Natural History Balboa Park*	4-
San Diego Symphony Orchestra Association*	4
San Diego Watercolor Society	4-
San Diego Womens' Chorus*	4-
San Diego Writers Ink*	3
San Diego Young Artists Music Academy Incorporated*	4-
San Diego Youth Symphony*	4-
Save Our Heritage Organisation*	4-
Scripps Ranch Theatre*	3
Southern California Ballet*	4-
Space 4 Art*	4-
Spreckels Organ Society*	4-
Tap Fever Studios	3+
The AjA Project	4-
The David's Harp Foundation*	4-
The House of China	3
The Italian Cultural Center of San Diego*	4-
The Library Association of La Jolla	4-
The New Children's Museum	4-
The Roustabouts*	3
The San Diego Model Railroad Museum, Inc.	4-
Theatre and Arts Foundation of San Diego County*	4-
Timken Museum of Art (Putnam Foundation)*	4-
transcenDANCE Youth Arts Project	4-
Trinity One Theatre Troupe, Inc.*	4-
Unscripted Learning	3+
Vanguard Culture*	3+
Villa Musica*	4-
Visions Museum of Textile Art*	4-
Voices of Our City Choir Inc	4



Westwind Brass, Inc.	3+
Wheelchair Dancers Organization	4-
Women's History Reclamation Project*	4-
Words Alive	4-
Write Out Loud	4-
Youth Philharmonic Orchestra	4
*indicates that the organization exercised the option to renew their rank	
<b>Fiscal Year 2025 Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) Ranks</b>	
Adams Avenue Business Association*	4-
Armed Services YMCA of the USA (DBA San Diego Armed Services YMCA)*	4-
Asian Culture and Media Alliance*	4-
Asian Story Theater Incorporated*	3+
Best Practice*	4-
Bocon Inc*	4-
Bodhi Tree Concerts	4-
California Lawyers for the Arts	4-
Casa Familiar, Inc.*	4-
Centro Cultural De La Raza, Inc.	3+
contACT Arts	3+
Cooper Family Foundation	4
CoTA	4-
Design Forward Alliance	3+
Director of Public Realm	3+
Gente Unida*	4
Get Empowered Today	3+
Gray Area Foundation for the Arts, Inc.	4-
Hillcrest Business Improvement Association*	3+
House of Panama*	4-
Ilan-Lael, Inc.*	3+
Indian Fine Arts Academy of San Diego*	4-
Italian American Art and Culture Association of San Diego	3+
Karama*	3+
Karen Organization of San Diego*	4
Kyoto Symposium Organization*	4-
La Maestra Family Clinic, Inc*	4-
Linda Vista Multi-Cultural Fair Inc.*	3+
Little Saigon San Diego*	4-

Mandate Project Impact	4-
Mariachi Scholarship Foundation*	4
Media Heritage*	4-
Medium Photography Inc.*	4-
Monarch School Project	4-
Mother Sponge Inc. DBA Set + Drift*	4-
Musicians for Education Inc	4-
North Park Organization of Businesses Inc	3+
Ocean Beach Merchants Association Inc	4-
Pacific Beach Community Development Corp*	3+
Pacific Beach Town Council Inc*	4-
Poway Center for the Performing Arts Foundation*	4-
Rolando Community Council, Inc	4-
Saikat	4-
San Diego Alpha Foundation	4-
San Diego Audubon Society	3+
San Diego Film Foundation*	4-
San Diego Guild of Puppetry, Inc*	3+
San Diego International Sister Cities Association	2+
San Diego LGBT Pride*	4-
San Diego Made	4-
San Diego Parks Foundation	4-
San Diego Performing Arts League-ARTS TIX	3+
San Diego State University Research Foundation for KPBS	4-
San Diego Synergy Arts Network	3+
San Diego Underground Arts	4-
Sherman Heights Community Center Corp	4-
Spirit of the Fourth, Inc	3+
T3 Triple Threat	4-
Teatro Mascara Magica	4-
The Bon Temps Social Club of San Diego*	3+
The High Steppers Drill Team, Inc.*	4
Two Rooms	3+
Vapa Foundation	4-
Viet Voices	3+

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