



EDINA
MINNESOTA

Arts & Culture Commission Meeting Agenda

August 27, 2026, 4:30 PM

Edina City Hall, Mayors Conference Room, 4801 W.
50th St.



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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

4.1. Minutes

5. Special Recognitions and Presentations

6. Community Comment

During "Community Comment," the Board/Commission will invite residents to share issues or concerns that are not scheduled for a future public hearing. Items that are on tonight's agenda may not be addressed during Community Comment. Individuals must limit their comments to three minutes. The Chair may limit the number of speakers on the same issue in the interest of time and topic. Individuals should not expect the Chair or Board/Commission Members to respond to their comments tonight. Instead, the Board/Commission might refer the matter to staff for consideration at a future meeting.

7. Reports/Recommendations

7.1. 2025/2026 Workplan Update

7.2. 2027/2028 Arts and Culture Commission Work Plan Development

8. Chair and Member Comments

9. Staff Comments

9.1. Upcoming Meetings & Events

10. Adjournment



Item Number: 4.1

Department: Parks & Recreation

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Laura Fulton, Recreation Supervisor Art Center

Item Title: Minutes

Action Requested:

Please approve the meeting minutes from the July 23, 2026 meeting of the Edina Arts and Culture Commission

Information/Background:

Attached, please find the meeting minutes from the July 23, 2026 meeting of the Edina Arts and Culture Commission.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. DRAFT Arts and Culture Commission 7_23_26 Meeting Minutes



Arts & Culture Commission Meeting Agenda

July 23, 2026, 4:30 PM

Edina City Hall, Mayors Conference Room, 4801 W. 50th St.

1. Call to Order

Chair Zbaren called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Laura Westlund, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piatek-Llanes

Members Absent: Student Commissioners Alvie Buzar Barua and Julia Peterson

Staff Present: Laura Fulton

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Fram made a motion to approve meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Westlund.

Ayes: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Laura Westlund, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piatek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

4.1. Minutes

Commissioner Steinberg made a motion to approve meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scully.

Ayes: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Laura Westlund, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piatek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed

5. Special Recognitions and Presentations

5.1. 50th and France Art Grant Presentation

Rebecca Sorenson, Executive Director of the 50th and France Business Association, presented on the Art Grant received for the Emerging Artist Booth at the Edina Art Fair.

5.2. Edina Asian American Alliance Art Grant Presentation

Kelly Condit-Shrestha and Salaar Karimi presented about the Edina Art Grant received by the

Edina Asian American Alliance for the AAPI festival held in May.

6. Community Comment

7. Reports/Recommendations

7.1. 2025/2026 Workplan Update

Initiative 1.1.1: Art Center Colocation at Southdale Library

Fulton reported

Initiative 1.1.2: Edina Art Grant Program

Fram reported that there are two art grant recipient events happening before the end of the summer. She

also mentioned that art grant mentors will follow up with the grantees for end of event data collection.

Initiative 1.1.3 Review Public Art Opportunities for New City Facilities and Locations

Nothing to report.

Initiative 1.1.4: Commission Participation in Community Events

Byrd reported on the success of the 4th of July parade. The Commission discussed the Fall into the Arts Festival.

7.2. Discussion on 2027/2028 Arts and Culture Commission Work Plan

Chair Zbaren led Commissioners in an exercise to brainstorm the 2027/2028 work plan. Commissioners participated in a post-it note brainstorming session.

8. Chair and Member Comments

9. Staff Comments

9.1. Upcoming Meetings & Events

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Curtin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25pm. Motion seconded by Commissioner Byrd.

Ayes: Ann Curtin, Tim Scully, Laura Westlund, Alyssa Fram, Alana Zbaren, Maxine Steinberg, Caroline Byrd, Jignasha Pandya, Bernadette Piacek-Llanes

Nays: None

Motion Passed



Item Number: 7.1

Department: Parks & Recreation

Item Activity: Discussion

Prepared By: Laura Fulton, Recreation Supervisor Art Center

Item Title: 2025/2026 Workplan Update

Action Requested:

Discuss and update 2025/2026 Workplan initiatives.

Information/Background:

2026 Arts and Culture Workplan:

Arts & Culture Commission

The Commission strives to build a vibrant community through support of arts and culture and advises the City Council on artistic initiatives in Edina, including the Edina Art Center.

Initiative 1.1.1: Art Center Colocation at Southdale Library

The Arts and Culture Commission will continue to bring forward community perspectives for the new Art Center, collocated at the Hennepin County Southdale Library.

2026 Initiative members: Piatek-Llanes, Scully, Steinberg, Westlund, Buzar Barua (s), Peterson (s)

Initiative 1.1.2: Edina Art Grant Program

Arts and Culture Commission members will review, refine and host a third year of the Edina Art Grant Program.

2026 Initiative members: Curtin, Fram, Pandya, Piatek-Llanes, Peterson (s)

Initiative 1.1.3 Review Public Art Opportunities for New City Facilities and Locations

The Arts and Culture Commission will review public art elements and make recommendations to public projects, such as Fire Station #2, Fred Richards Park, Braemar Arena and others.

2026 Initiative members: all

Initiative 1.1.4: Commission Participation in Community Events

Commission participation in up to two community events this upcoming year.

2026 Initiative members: Byrd, Scully, Steinberg, Zbaren

Initiative 1.1.5: Utility Box Art Wrap Program

Three of the five boxes were wrapped in 2025. The remaining boxes have been wrapped recently. This initiative is complete.

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None



Item Number: 7.2

Prepared By:

Item Activity: Discussion

Item Title: 2027/2028 Arts and Culture Commission Work Plan Development

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1. 2027.2028 brainstorming session *Board Packet
2. 2027.2028 DRAFT ACC workplan blank *Board Packet



Item Number: 9.1

Department: Parks & Recreation

Item Activity: Information

Prepared By: Laura Fulton, Recreation Supervisor Art Center

Item Title: Upcoming Meetings & Events

Action Requested:

No action requested

Information/Background:

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Date	Time	Location
Saturday & Sunday Sept. 12 & 13	10 a.m. – 6 p.m. (sign up for shifts)	Fall Into the Arts Festival, Centennial Lakes Park
Thursday, September 24	4:30 PM	Edina City Hall, Community Room
Thursday, October 22 (discussion needed)	4:30 PM	Edina City Hall, Community Room
Thursday, November 19**	4:30 PM	Edina CityHall, Community Room
Thursday, December 17**	4:30 PM	Edina City Hall, Community Room

**Date adjustments due to holidays

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1. Edina Fall into the Arts Festival sign up 2026