



AGENDA

Metro Arts Commission Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Metro Southeast Building

Green Hills Conference Room

1417 Murfreesboro Pike

Nashville, TN 37217

Commissioners: Campbell West (Chair), Tré Hardin (Vice Chair), Heather Lefkowitz (Secretary), Evan Brown, Timothy Jester, Jilah Kalil, Shawn Knight, Janet Kurtz, Dawana Wade, Mayra Yu, Brittany Cole, and Ashley Bachelder (Interim Executive Director, ex-officio)

METRO ARTS MISSION:

Drive an Equitable and Vibrant Community through the Arts

“Pursuant to the provisions of § 2.68.030 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, please take notice that decisions of the Arts Commission may be appealed to the Chancery Court of Davidson County for review under a common law writ of certiorari. Any appeal must be filed within sixty days after entry of a final decision by the Commission. Any person or other entity considering an appeal should consult with an attorney to ensure that time and procedural requirements are met.”

A. Call to Order, Welcome, and Land Acknowledgement 12:00—12:05

B. Public Comment 12:05—12:25

Persons wishing to submit an online public comment may do so using the [Public Comment Form](#) no later than Tuesday, April 29. Comments received by the deadline will be provided to Commissioners in advance of the meeting. Comments provided by email, social media, or on any other platform will not be accepted or included as public comments. For complete details, please refer to the [Metro Arts Commission Public Comment Policy](#).

The public is encouraged to attend Commission meeting and may make comments in person during the designated time on the agenda. Davidson County residents can sign up for public comments. The public comment period is limited to twenty (20) minutes total. Comments are limited to a maximum of two (2) minutes per person. Persons wishing to provide comment on matters that are germane to items on the agenda must sign up prior to the beginning of the meeting, on the sign-up sheet provided at the meeting. The opportunity to provide public comment is offered on a first come, first served basis. At all meetings, the commissioner chairing the proceedings shall have the authority to manage/limit the number of persons (non-Commission members) allowed to speak on an issue and to manage/limit such speakers' time.

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| 1. Approval of Minutes: | 12:25-12:30 |
| 1. Full Commission January 16 & March 3 | |
| 2. Artist Spotlight: Kyshona Armstrong | 12:30-12:35 |
| 3. Action Items/Discussion | 12:35 - 1:45 |
| 1. Executive Committee - Chair Campbell West | |
| i. Dissolve the Advocacy Committee (ACTION) | |
| ii. Recommendation to adopt the appeals process (ACTION) | |
| 2. Appeals (ACTIONS) | |
| i. International Black Film Festival (Operating grant) | |
| ii. Dominique's Dominance (Thrive grant) | |
| iii. The Art of Naturally Being: Volume II Documenting Hair-stories and the Effects of the Beauty Industry for People of Color (Thrive grant) | |
| 3. Public Art Committee - Chair Campbell West & Staff | |
| i. Nashville Youth Campus for Empowerment (NYCE) Public Art Location, Budget, and Recruitment Method (ACTION) | |
| ii. Arthur Avenue Public Art Final Design (ACTION) | |
| 4. Grants & Funding Committee - Commissioner Heather Lefkowitz & Staff | |
| 5. Audit and Finance Committee Update – Commissioner Jester & Interim Director Bachelder | |
| 6. Committee for Anti-Racism and Equity - Commissioner Tre Hardin | |
| 7. Community Engagement Update - Chuck Beard | |
| 4. Interim Executive Director's Report | 1:45 - 1:55 |
| 5. New Business | 1:55 - 2:00 |
| 6. Adjourn Meeting | 2:00 |



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