



METRO ARTS
NASHVILLE OFFICE OF ARTS + CULTURE

AGENDA

Arts Commission Grants + Funding Committee

March 16, 2026

1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Metro Southeast Building, Conference Room A

1417 Murfreesboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37217

If you have any questions, please e-mail arts@nashville.gov

Committee Members: Heather Lefkowitz (Chair), Tim Jester, Shawn Knight, Dawana Wade & Ashley Bachelder, *Interim Executive Director (ex-officio)*

Metro Arts Staff: Jackie Hansom, Josiah Golson, Vivian Foxx

METRO ARTS MISSION: Drive an Equitable and Vibrant Community through the Arts

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A. Call to Order, Roll Call & Welcome

B. Public Comment

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C. Approval of Minutes: January 12, 2026

D. Action/Discussion Items

1. Staff reports
 - a. FY26 Community Arts Leaders of Nashville
 - b. FY26 General Operating and Thrive grants
2. FY27 Grant Review Panelists Guidelines Approval (Action)
3. FY27 Planning: Parking lot review and timeline

E. New Business

F. Adjourn Meeting



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