Malibu Arts Commission Agenda Report

Malibu Arts Special Meeting
08-08-23
Item 1.A.

To: Chair Lawrence and Members of the Arts Commission

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Date prepared: August 3, 2023 Meeting date: August 8, 2023

Subject: Malibu City Gallery Exhibition Schedule

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review and approve a recommendation by the Malibu Public Art Exhibitions Ad Hoc Committee to change the September 2023 Malibu City Gallery featured artist to Wes Van Dyke.

DISCUSSION: The Malibu Public Art Exhibitions Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc Committee), consisting of Vice Chair Lawrence and Commissioner Holland, prepared a list of six art exhibitions for the 2023-2024 Malibu City Gallery Exhibition Schedule. On June 27, 2023, the Commission reviewed and approved four art exhibitions for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, including, a Dick Van Dyke Tribute Exhibition, Student Art Exhibition, Leigh McClosky Exhibition, and a Surf Culture Exhibition.

At the July 25, 2023 Regular meeting, the Commission unanimously approved a multi-artist photography exhibition for the September 2023 show and asked to additional time to review artists for the March 2024 (spring) exhibition.

Following the July 25, 2023 Regular meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee contacted several photographers for the upcoming show, and many were unavailable. In an effort to confirm an artist before the City's marketing deadline, the Ad Hoc Committee contacted artist Wes Van Dyke who agreed to show his work for a single-artist exhibition.

Wes Van Dyke works primarily in the oil painting medium, but enjoys trying other art styles and mediums. His work reflects realistic landscapes and seascapes, that are painted with an almost photo realistic affect. Mr. Van Dyke has shown his work in several exhibintions in the region and has been commissioned for work in the United States, Austrialia, and England.

ATTACHMENTS: None.