



Cultural Arts Commission

Purpose

The Cultural Arts Commission is comprised of seven members and serves as the advisory board to the City Council and city management in matters involving the promotion of close cooperation between the City and private citizens, institutions and agencies interested in or conducting activities relating to the arts. As advocates for the arts, the Cultural Arts Commission strives to develop a vision for the arts in Richardson and enhance Richardson's arts infrastructure to reach that vision.

The Commission is responsible for making recommendations to the City Council on the disbursement of arts grants funding and has hosted several workshops for locally funded groups to assist in board development, audience development, publicity initiatives, the diversification of revenues and generational marketing. This Commission is also responsible for providing a State of the Arts assessment to the City Council on a biannual basis.

Members

The Cultural Arts Commission consists of seven members who are appointed by the City Council for two-year staggered terms. Appointed members shall be residents of the City and shall not be elected officials, board members or employees of any group seeking funding from the Richardson Cultural Arts Commission. At least one member shall reside in each of the four City Council districts. The City Council shall appoint one of the members as Chairperson and one as Vice Chairperson.

Members must be qualified voters in the City of Richardson, residents of Texas for at least one year, and residents of the City of Richardson for at least six months. Members may not hold any elected office and must not be in arrears in taxes or any other liability due the City.

Meetings

The Cultural Arts Commission meets monthly, generally on the second Thursday of each month. The meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Members of the Commission are encouraged to attend as many local arts performances as their schedules will allow.

All meetings are subject to the general laws of the State, the City Charter, and shall comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act. All members shall adhere to the City of Richardson Code of Ethics.

Applications are available online and from the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho Rd., Suite 202, or by contacting 972-744-4292. Applications are kept on file for two years and positions are filled as vacancies occur.

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