

ARTS AND CULTURE MINUTES - NOV 4, 2024

Committee Members:

Member	Present	Absent	Excused	Recorded Minutes
Co-Chair Hon. Daria Hardeman				
Co-Chair Hon. Tina Lumley	x		x	
Hon. Walter T. Alexander	x			
Hon. Joshua Christopher		x		
Hon. Sojourna Collier	x			x
Hon. Carlton Davis	x			
Hon. Tiago Kiel	x			
Hon. Ernesto Graham		x		
Hon Ilana Mercado	x			

I Call to Order @6:38pm

II Adopted Agenda by Ilana Mercado

III Minutes not available

IV Meeting Attendee Introductions

V Announcements

- What we do and who we are:
 - We are a quasi-city agency
 - Manhattan Community Board 9: We are comprised of 50 residents, interviewed and appointed by the borough President and the city council.
 - We advocate for artists. We advocate for art and artist in our community and also connect artists and art organizations.

○ Contact Information:

- Tina Lumley – tlumley@hotmail.com
- Daria Hardeman - dariadaria@yahoo.com
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○ **Guests**

Stephanie Berry

Blackberry Productions

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Upcoming play re: Gentrification in New York City

Jan 2025 – Oral history workshop for Senior Citizens and Youth

Cathleen Campbell

The Kota Alliance

<https://www.kota-alliance.org>

Everyone is invited to the opening reception for THE MEANING OF PLACE Exhibit this Thursday Nov 7 evening from 6-8pm at the Kota Alliance, 43 St. Nicholas Place (near 152nd).

Rachael Davidson

Dance Theatre of Harlem

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Susanna Frazer
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Barbara Adeola Grant
Harlem resident - Lindy Hop Swing Dancer

John McGregor
Community Board Member

Clotilde Monguya
Community Board Member

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Harlem School of the Arts – Mural Artist Instructor

Leah Tubbs
MODArts Dance Collective (MADC) Founding Artistic Director;
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<https://www.modartsdance.com/collective-thread>

I. Presentations

a. Artist Information

Walter Alexander emailed 38 events announcements since October 1, 2024
Liaisons: Hon. Tina Lumley (TLumley@hotmail.com) Hon. Walter Alexander (XAlex111@gmail.com)
For CB9 Full Board Community E-blast, send announcements to board office:
Info@CB9M.org

b. Strategic Planning/Community Benefits Agreement (CBA) - Liaison: Hon. Carlton Davis

No info received from Harlem Arts Alliance

c. West Harlem Arts Alliance - Liaison: Michael Palma - WHAA Exec. Director

- 10/1/2024 Art Place Making event with The HOPE Organization & West Harlem Where Art Lives curator, Ruth Diaz, 45 children and their parents in attendance.
- 10/15/2024, Cohort II artists, West Harlem Where Art Lives exhibition, completing the celebration of over 55 West Harlem artists through interactive

art presentations., 102 community residents in attendance, including Tina Lumley Arts & Culture Co-Chair, CB9 Chare Vic Edwards, Vice Chair Barry Weinberg, Harlem's consummate art activist Voza Rivers, Council Member Shaun Abreu and Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine.

- 10/11- 10/20 Harlem Jazz Club Revival, a 10-day, 18-Venue, 80 events and over 200 musicians celebrating our most unique artistic form, Jazz! More than 800 Harlem residents in attendance, across West, Central & East Harlem.
- 10/26 & 11/2/2024 - Fall Family Days "En Plein Air" Jazz Music featuring Juan Pozo, Art Place Making and Day of the Dead Altar creation, with 150 children and their parents creating art and celebrating the lives of loved ones who have passed with offerings to their memory. Partnering with NYC Parks, Art on the Ave NYC, Gwen Black and the Arts & Jazz Fest NYC, Montefiore Park Neighborhood Association, 137th Street Beautification Project and the 136th Street Community Enhancement Association
- Upcoming, December 1st @ 6:30PM Holiday Tree Lighting & Fiesta at Montefiore Sqr. Park!

d. Harlem Arts Alliance - Liaison: Hon. Daria Hardeman
Daria Hardeman absent.

Community Updates (3 mins or less)

Presentations:

National Dance Institute (NationalDance.org) - Sophie Wang, Manager of Institutional Giving

- Not present

MODArts Dance Collective, Inc. (MADC) (www.modartsdance.com) - Leah Tubbs, Founding Artistic Dir.

- Leah Tubbs Presenter
- The Collective Thread Residency - an incubator for BIPOC women dancers and choreographers ages 18+ to reconnect to themselves and their creative practice through a social justice
- Seventh Annual Move to Change Dance Festival - Friday & Saturday, November 22-23, 2024 7:30pm at The Jacques d'Amboise Center for Learning & the Arts (inside of National Dance Institute), 217 W 147th Street, New York, NY 10039 & Livestream with on demand viewing option
- Me < We: a works in progress showing - Saturday 12/14 7:30pm at The Atrium in The Forum @ Columbia University, 601 W 125th St, New York, NY 10027

Morningside Players (<http://www.morningsideplayers.org>) - Susanna Frazer, Artistic Dir.

- Susanna Frazer Presenter
- Completed successful run of After the Revolution written by Amy Herzog – Directed by Susanna Frazer
- Will update re: upcoming performances

The Harlem Chamber Players (<http://www.harlemchamberplayers.org>) - Liz Player, Executive and Artistic Dir.

- Liz Player shared informative 2 minute trailer re: the Harlem Chamber Players
- Composers Now | Cheswatyr Commissions Concert

Monday, November 18, 2024

6:00 PM 7:00 PM at The Forum at Columbia University

Harlem School of the Arts (<https://hsanyc.org>) - Ann Kim, Dir. of Strategic Partnerships and Community Outreach

- Azekiwe Providence presenter
- PowerPoint re: Mural Painting Workshop with young artists
- Goal – Wants to locate spaces in Harlem for students to beautify with mural.

Inwood Art Works (<http://www.inwoodartworks.nyc>) - Aaron Simms, Executive Producer

- Not present

New Business:

New members, minutes, sub-committee assignments

- ***Created the following sub-committees***

Purpose: Coordinate with other committee groups to strategize ways to collaborate or share info

Action Item: Prepare a monthly report (3 sentences) with updates for Dec meeting.

- o Arts for Youth to coordinate with the Youth, Education & Library Committee
 - Members – Sojourna Collier, Ilana Mercado, Tiago Kiel and John McGregor
- o Arts for Seniors
 - Members – Walter Alexander & Stephanie Berry
- o Arts Therapy
 - Carlton Davis & Ilana Mercado
- **Commemorative Plaque**

Need to discuss erecting a commemorative plaque for the brave protestors that prevented Columbia University from building a gymnasium with separate entrances for the Columbia University personnel and the community.

Old Business

Adjourn @ 7:56pm

Next meeting will be held Monday, December 2, 2024 at 6:30 pm Thank you!