



Bolingbrook Arts Council Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 6, 2026 **Scheduled:** 7:00pm **Location:** Village Boardroom
Call To Order: 7:04pm

Bolingbrook Arts Council Mission

The commission shall assist the Mayor and Board of Trustees in developing and implementing projects that will enhance the artistic and cultural aesthetics of the Village. The Commission shall develop and recommend to the Mayor and Board of Trustees projects and programs which will have as their purpose the cultural enhancement of the Village with respect to fine and performing arts.

- Roll Call & Declaration of a Quorum** (To conduct official business, members required:8).
- Quorum Declared**

Members	Present	Excused	Absent
Mithra Zaucha -Chair	X		
Allaina Humphreys -ViceChair	X		
Jason Arthur	X		
Mioara Barcutean	X		
Jesse Gaffney	X		
Julie Guida	X		
Richard Humphreys	X		
Janice Kessl		X	
Ocie Koonce -Treasurer	X		
Kathleen Lamb-Secretary		X	
Linda Lawrence		X	
Lea Moore-Beulah		X	
Bobbie Speer	X		
Grace Tucker		X	

AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVAL

- Motion to Approve Virtual Attendance for Meeting - Requested by NA**
 - Motion made by: _____ Motion seconded by: _____
- Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda (Voice Vote) Motion Granted: 1/6/26 Agenda Adopted**
 - Motion made by: Bobbie _____ Motion seconded by: Allaina _____
- Motion to Approve Previous Meeting Minutes (Voice Vote) Motion Granted: 12/2/25 Minutes Approved**
 Motion made by: Jason _____ Motion seconded by: Bobbie _____

 Will mark any follow up assigned to commissioners. Please review and follow up at the next meeting.

OFFICER'S REPORT

- ❖ **Officers Report:**
 - Mithra talked to Chris at the Promenade regarding the bill for heat from our space. They will be lowering the heat and we will need to plan proactively when using the space.



SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Lea & Rich & Mithra

❖ **Art in the Windows:**

- Current art in the windows is the mural created by John.
- BHS gave art for the windows and it is in the space right now. There are 20 pieces.
- The group discussed the art on the windows. Determined to keep art on the window until we have a schedule for transition to the next session.
- Monitor in the window: Still a work in progress.

ADAPTIVE & ACCESSIBLE ARTS COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Allaina & Grace

- ❖ Tellin Tales Theater Performance: Hands Up is dedicated to providing adults from a diversity of backgrounds, with and without disabilities a forum to explore controversial issues through writing, development, and performance of their personal stories. Friday, March 6: Mrs. Murphy's @ 7:00 pm & Friday, March 20 and 21: NEIU Stage Center @ 7:00 pm

PERFORMING ARTS COMMITTEE (Theatre Arts/ Music): Co-chairs: Jesse & Kathleen

- ❖ Brightside ASL for the BHS show is being arranged
- ❖ **Blues Lab Jam:** Blues Jam is Wednesday the 21st. Jason discussed a way to put in song requests. There was a talk about the lights during the performance at Tailgaters which are very purple.
- ❖ **HS/community theatre** partnership communication has started. Jessie sent the library the details for the BHS Theatre collaboration project. We still need the flyer and tickets created by Kathleen 📌

COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Linda & Julie

- ❖ Tunnel decorations: Take down on Saturday at 11am. Black drapes will be cleaned and hemmed.
- ❖ **Black history month:** 2/7 from 2pm-5pm with set up at noon. We need an artist for the event. Rich 📌 will work with Lea to get potential artists. Jason will be a backup artist if needed.
 - Payment for artists needs to be requested through Ocie.
 - Ocie discussed ordering candy and the calendars asap. 📌
 - Allaina to create the ad if needed and Ocie will confirm. 📌

DIGITAL DESIGN COMMITTEE: Co-chairs: Allaina & Jason

- ❖ Call for artist requests were discussed. When there is a community request for artists on social media, the plan is to share it as a story. We are not creating new artwork for sharing requests or events outside of our network.
- ❖ Need to create a page on the website for AIW details.- OnGoing
- ❖ Linktree <https://linktr.ee/bolingbrookartscouncil>

New Business: NA

Announcements: Jesse has a possible space for art classes. Allaina will be leading an accessibility discussion with Bill Foster on 1/18 at 5:30pm. She will share more details as they become available.

ADJOURNMENT: (8:35pm Voice Vote)

- Motion to Adjourn **Motion Granted**

NEXT ART COUNCIL MEETINGS 1/20/2026

Minutes taken by Kathleen Lamb, Bolingbrook Arts Council

Approved by Council on: 1/20/2026



2025-2026 Bolingbrook Arts Council Sub-committees & Chairs

Sub-committees	Chairs	Budget	Projects	Commissioners
Visual Arts	Co-chairs: Lea & Rich	\$11,550	Art In the Windows, Arts In the Tunnel, Arts Expo, Paint-a-hydrant, Grants for public art	Mithra, Lea, Rich, Mioara, Janice, Kathleen, Grace, Allaina, Jason
Adaptive Arts	Co-chairs: Allaina, Mithra & Grace	\$8,000	Adaptive Equipment Program, Glow Art/CSR Arts programs	Allaina, Mioara, Mithra, Grace, Kathleen
Performing Arts	Co-chairs: Jesse & Kathleen	\$6,700	Blues Jam Lab, Internships, Showcases, Music programs, Theatre Arts Grants	Mithra, Grace, Jesse, Kathleen, Linda, Julie
Community Events	Co-chairs: Linda & Julie	\$3,500	Village Picnic, Halloween Walk, Festival of Lights, Parade, Black History Month	Linda, Ocie, Rich, Julie, Mioara, Bobbie, Jesse, Jason
Digital Design & Operations	Co-chairs: Allaina & Jason	\$750	Website, Social Media, Pictures/Video, Forms, Artist Directory/ Press Release	Allaina, Rich, Grace, Lea, Jason, Kathleen