



Spring 2020

COVID-19 Response:

Information for artists, arts organizations and patrons of the arts

Arts and culture creative organizations are a key part of community identity in Edmonds. As with other businesses, COVID-19 has brought major hardships to the creative sector as venues close, programs and festivals are canceled, and staff are furloughed or laid off.

ArtsFund released the results of their recent (March 12-19) survey of almost 120 arts and culture nonprofits in the Puget Sound area showing "staggering and immediate impact to the arts sector." The estimated financial loss just through March is over \$21 million (www.artsfund.org). At the national level, Americans for the Arts estimate that the financial losses to date in the nonprofit arts sector are about \$3.6 billion.

There are several ways you can support our Edmonds arts community:

- Make a donation this month to a favorite organization. A list of Edmonds organizations is below.
- Donate the cost of your ticket for a canceled show instead of requesting a refund.
- See a show or view "virtual galleries" online
- Many artists, galleries, restaurants and businesses feature ability to purchase goods and services online.

State and National Level Advocacy:

- **Artist Trust** is a state-wide organization that support individual artists of all genres from all around the state. Donate to their relief fund: <https://artisttrust.org/donate/>
- **Inspire Washington**, a WA state arts, heritage, and science advocacy agency, anticipates a special state legislative session to address impact of COVID-19. They ask for signatures on a letter they want to send immediately to Governor Inslee. The letter will serve as a template for subsequent letters to all other elected officials, including federal, state, county and local jurisdictions. For a copy of the letter and to find out how to participate, email margaret@inspirewashington.org.
- **Americans for the Arts** is championing a \$4 billion dollar ask to Congress for coronavirus support for the arts. If approved, these funds would be appropriated to the NEA for non-profit arts and culture (theatres, zoos, performing arts, museums, science-technology centers, orchestras, ballet companies, etc.). **Fill out the Americans For The Arts survey:** To secure relief funding, there needs to be a clear story that articulates the economic losses and programmatic impact. [Click here](#) and contribute your organization's information.
- **Advocate for federal arts and cultural relief funding:** [Click this link](#) and fill out the form to send an advocacy letter to your federal lawmakers.
- **Sign the letter to support Senator Lankford's amendment that is endorsed by the National Council of Non-Profits.** Senator James Lankford (R-OK) has proposed an amendment to the Senate COVID-19 Stimulus bill that would, for 2020, create an above-the-line deduction for charitable giving capped at 1/3 of the standard deduction (\$4000 for individuals / \$8000 for married couples). Previous

donations this year would be included and there's no giving floor, so small dollar donors will benefit. *Sign the letter* and please share with other non-profits.

The following is a list of information and resources made available to assist artist and arts organizations manage the current economic crisis. The list of Edmonds arts non-profits and galleries and websites is provided so patrons can check for up-to-date program information and to discover what you can specifically do to support a local organization:

The Edmonds Chamber of Commerce Foundation has expanded the scope and capacity of its WISH Fund during this time of large-scale business interruption related to COVID-19. Visit www.EdmondsChamberFoundation.org or contact the office at 425-670-1496 or greg@edmondswa.com.

Artist Trust COVID-19 Relief Fund
Information about grants to WA State artists and how to donate to support this fund:
<http://artisttrust.submittable.com/submit/162977/covid-19-artist-trust-relief-fund>

Inspire Washington has a list of state-wide resources and information, including activities for the kids:
<https://inspirewashington.org/covid-19-advocacy-and-resources>

The Actors Fund has partnered with several industry organizations to provide emergency financial assistance to those who have immediate financial needs: <https://actorsfund.org/ami-eligible-help>

COVID 19 & Freelance Artists is a list of several resources:
<https://covid19freelanceartistsresource.wordpress.com/>

Musician's Foundation COVID 19 fund:
<http://www.musiciansfoundation.org/apply/>

Authors League Fund helps professional writers in financial need because of medical or health-related problems, temporary loss of income, or

ArtistsConnect <http://artists-connect.com>

ARTSpot <http://artspotedmonds.com>

Art Walk Edmonds www.artwalkedmonds.com

ArtWorks www.artworks-edmonds.org

Cascade Symphony Orch
www.cascadesymphony.org

Cascadia Art Museum
www.cascadiaartmuseum.org

Cole Gallery www.colegallery.net

Cole Art Studio www.coleartstudio.com

Christopher Framing/Gallery
www.christopherframing.com

DeMiero Jazz Fest www.demierojazzfest.org

Driftwood Modern www.driftwoodmodern.com

Edmonds Arts Festival
www.edmondsartsfestival.com

Edmonds Art Studio Tour
www.edmondsartstudiotour.com

Edmonds Bookshop www.edmondsbookshop.com

Edmonds Center for the Arts www.ec4arts.org

Edmonds Cogworks <http://thecogworks.org>

Edmonds Driftwood Players
<http://edmondsdriftwoodplayers.org>

Edmonds Frame Design www.EdmondsFrame.com

Edmonds Historical Museum
www.historicedmonds.org

Edmonds in Bloom www.edmondsinbloom.com

Edmonds Jazz Connection jazzconnection.org

EPIC Group Writers www.epicgroupwriters.com

Gallery North www.gallerynorthedmonds.com

Garden Gear & Gallery www.garden-gear.com

Joan Archer Aria Gallery
<https://joanarchergallery.com>

Maje Gallery www.majegallery.com

Neverending Bookshop
www.theneverendingbookshop.com

Olympic Ballet www.OlympicBallet.org

Phoenix Theatre www.tptedmonds.org

Sno-King Chorale www.sno-kingchorale.org

other misfortune by providing no-strings-attached "loans" to pay for pressing expenses:

<https://authorsleaguefund.org/>

Methow Art Alliance in Twisp WA pulled together a comprehensive list of emergency resources for artists of all genres:

<http://www.methowarts.org/information-and-emergency-funding-for-artists/>

Sculptors Workshop

@sculptorsworkshopofedmonds

Write on Calligraphers

www.writeoncalligraphers.org

Write on the Sound www.writeonthesound.com

Zinc Art + Object <http://zincartobject.com>

Are you an Edmonds-based arts group or organization and wish to be listed? Contact our office at 425-771-0228 or eac@edmondswa.gov.

EAC News

Cancellation Announcement

City staff are under a work-from-home mandate and all public meetings and events have been canceled for the month of April. This includes the final Music at the Library presentation and the April 4th Edmonds Arts Commission meeting. Up-to-date information is available from the City's website: www.edmondswa.gov and the Edmonds Arts Commission website: www.edmondsartscommission.org.

New Arts Commissioner: Lisa Palmatier



Lisa Palmatier has a B.A. in Interdisciplinary Art from the University of Washington and has been a visual arts educator for over 25 years. She was the art teacher on staff at two K-8 grade elementary schools and has taught numerous children's art workshops and classes throughout the Seattle area. As a long-time Edmonds resident, she has volunteered in her community by serving on the boards of the Edmonds Arts Festival and Foundation and the Cemetery Board. She has worked at the

Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council since 2008 in a variety of roles, and is currently the Gallery Director.

The Arts Commission is made up of seven members who serve staggered 4-year terms. By ordinance, four of these positions must be filled by people professionally engaged in the arts. Lisa was selected from a group of applicants for the open visual art position on the commission. Applicants are recommended by a Nominating Committee, interviewed by the Mayor and approved by City Council.

2021 Tourism Promotion Awards

Arts-related not-for-profit organizations seeking grants up to \$2,600 for events or programs that promote cultural tourism in Edmonds may apply through the City of Edmonds Arts Commission Tourism Promotion Awards program. Applications are available by contacting eac@edmondswa.gov or frances.chapin@edmondswa.gov.

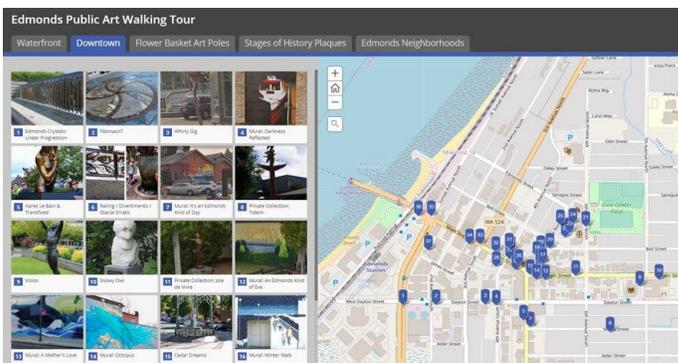
The City of Edmonds Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) provides recommendations on the usage of City lodging tax revenue for the purposes of tourism promotion. These recommendations, approved by City Council in the annual City of Edmonds budget, include awarding grants to organizations that produce and promote events or programs that bring visitors to Edmonds. The award cycle is once a year. Applications for 2021 are now available and will be accepted until May 29, 2020. Other nonprofits seeking funds for any kind of event or program may apply directly to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

for funding to assist with attracting visitors to Edmonds. Please contact Cindi Cruz at cindi.cruz@edmondswa.gov.

Virtual Art Exhibits



Several Edmonds arts organizations and galleries are creating, or have virtual tours of their facilities and collections. For example, Cascadia Art Museum is putting together a series of "virtual visit" videos, plus video art lessons for learners of all ages. Cole Gallery also features virtual tours of the work available for sale, as well as videos to watch. Check websites of your favorite gallery or museum for specific information.



Online Public Art Map

Get your visual art fix on a virtual tour of the various outdoor art installations -- both privately commissioned artworks and public art funded projects -- located throughout the City of Edmonds.

Click on the image on the left, or go to:

<http://edmondswa.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Shortlist/index.html?appid=73be47330c884b26823854b86b027e37>

Opportunities

Edmonds Art Opportunities! Click on the following links to obtain information:

[EAC's Bird Theme Library Exhibit](#)
[Puget Sound Bird Fest Poster Art](#)
[2021 EAC's Library & Display Case exhibits](#)

ALL ARTS AND DISCIPLINES

Ongoing: ZINC | Edmonds is accepting applications for a handful of motivated individuals looking for a unique, creative co-working space surrounded by an ever-changing selection of artwork from contemporary artists from the Pacific Northwest and beyond. Go to: <http://zincontemporary.com/creativecoworkingzincdmonds/>

Ongoing: ArtsWA Snap Grants are designed for small groups or organizations with an annual operating budget of \$25,000 or less. Non-profit status not required. Up to \$1,500 of support. Applications reviewed monthly. <https://www.arts.wa.gov/grants/grants-to-organizations/snap-grants->

Rolling Annual Deadlines: *ARTS at King Street Station* is a cultural hub that promotes cultural participation, celebrates diversity, builds community connections, and enhances the visibility of artists of color. The Portal is a rolling application for exhibitions and events that will take place at ARTS at Seattle's King Street Station. <https://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/Arts/Downloads/Calls/2019%20ARTS%20at%20KSS%20Portal%20APPLICATION.docx>

VISUAL / CRAFT ARTISTS

On-going: Edmonds Sculptors/Drawers Group. For information:

<http://davidvarnau.com/blog/open-studio>

On-going: Edmonds Arts Commission seeks artists for "On the Fence" Temporary Public Artworks for three City chain link fence locations. Stipend available. More information under Opportunities at www.edmondsartscommission.org

Ongoing: Urban Craft Uprising presents over 30 shows throughout the year at various events in the Puget Sound region. For application information, go to: <https://urbancraftuprising.com/handmade-gift-show-application/>

On-going: Artist Trust lists opportunities around the state and the US: <https://artisttrust.org/index.php/for-artists/opportunities>

On-going: SeattleArtist.com: <https://www.seattleartists.com/forums/forum/calls-for-artists/>

PERFORMERS / MUSICIANS

On-going for musicians: Gigs4U: <http://gigs4u.org/gigs-for-musicians-seattle/>

Casting Calls: <https://www.backstage.com/casting/open-casting-calls/seattle-auditions/>

On-going: ArtWalk Edmonds seeks artist, musician and merchant applicants for monthly event. For information contact artwalkedmonds@gmail.com. <http://artwalkedmonds.com>

On-going auditions: Theatre Puget Sound Auditions: http://tpsonline.org/auditions/auddb.php?action=active_list

On-going auditions: Online directory of casting calls and auditions in the Puget Sound region: <https://www.backstage.com/casting/open-casting-calls/seattle-auditions/>

WRITERS

On-going: Poets & Writers Listing of Grants, Awards & Contests: <https://www.pw.org/grants>

Various deadlines: Writer's Digest Contests: <http://www.writersdigest.com/writers-digest-competitions>

On-going: The Write Life Listing of Cash Award Writing Contests: <https://thewritelife.com/writing-contests/>

On-going: The Authors Guild monthly listing of contests, grants and residences : [tps://www.authorsguild.org/category/contests-grants/](https://www.authorsguild.org/category/contests-grants/)

City of Edmonds Arts Commission

The Edmonds Arts Commission (EAC) exists to ensure that the arts are integral to our community's quality of life, economic vitality, and central identity. Edmonds Arts Commission meets at 6:00pm the first Monday of each month at the City of Edmonds Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department, Frances Anderson Center, 700 Main Street, Edmonds.

The Arts Bulletin is a quarterly newsletter covering the programs and activities of the City of Edmonds Arts Commission. The newsletter includes a list of regional artist opportunities and occasional highlights of the Edmonds arts community at large. The Arts Bulletin is published in January, April, July and October, with a special Holiday Edition in mid-November. Email inquiries and announcements to eac@edmondswa.gov.

2020 Arts Commissioners

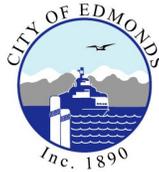
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