Truro Cultural Council

December 2, 2022

Truro Public Library



Meeting called to order shortly after 1pm, at 1:10 pm. Jill welcomed new council member Alice Gong to the Truro Cultural Council (TCC) and asked members to briefly introduce themselves to Alice.

- 1. <u>Approve Minutes of August 24</u>, 2022 meeting. The start time of the meeting was omitted, with this correction, Shari moved to approve, Lenore seconded, and the minutes were approved with one abstention (Alice).
- 2. Review Grant Applications for the 2023 grant cycle.

30 applicants submitted for this cycle comprising a total of \$47,555.00 TCC's allocation from the Massachusetts Cultural Council for the 2023 cycle is \$5,500. Review of priorities from our local survey undertaken this past summer which include being centric on local artists, programs that impact the local community, programs that serve children and diversity across all dimensions (artists, performers, grant applicants, and audiences.) TCC also values musical performances, historical programs with free admission and public art that has a permanent quality. The following 15 applications were funded in the amounts listed below.

3 Field Guide to the Historic Cemeteries of Truro – Holly Ballard-Gardner	\$200
4 Beyond the Bounds 2023 – Naomi Steckney	\$200
11 Wondrous Wonder: A Story-telling Movement Playshop – Rona Leventhal	\$500
13 The Power of the Protest Song: Our Shared History & Present – Pamela Means	\$400
16 Open Mic Classical – Monika Woods	\$300
17 Songs that Light the Way – Outer Cape Chorale	\$400
18 Open Art in the Schools: Payomet Inc.	\$300
21 To Bee or Not to Bee Jr. – Piti Theatre Co.	\$500
22 Community Bulletin Board Project - PAAM	\$200
24 Truro Children's Community Garden Education – Sustainable Center for Ag. Preservation	\$800
25 Community House Parties – The Arts & Justice Collective	\$200
26 60Plus Art Scholarships - Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill, Inc.	\$400
27 Truro summer concerts – Pat Wheeler	\$700
28 Pamet Harbor Exhibition – Truro Historical Society & Museum	\$200
29 Vinegrass Music Series – at Truro Vineyards -Vinegrass Corporation	\$200
total	\$5,500



The process for announcing the grants is that those who were not awarded will be notified first. After two weeks, for appeal or questions, the winning applications will be notified. The chair of the TCC will lead these announcements utilizing the Massachusetts Cultural Council template.

- 3. <u>Schedule Public Reception</u>. Discussion on the objectives and logistics of a reception for the grant winners to occur in spring time: celebrate the organizations funded, opportunity for other applicants to meet the TCC members and learn of our priorities, opportunities for the organizations/artists to present their work to the community at large. Other ideas to publicize the recipients and the Truro Cultural Council's mission include publishing in Town Talks, Truro email newsletter and town website, and a presence at the farmers' market.
- 4. <u>Plan 2023 TCC Survey</u>. The survey Ann developed will be employed again in April. The Council appreciate's Ann work on the development and execution of the survey.
- 5. Other Business: With Alice's appointment there is still one opening on the Council. The Council could petition the Town to reduce the open seat, thus making quorums easier to achieve at meetings, or we could recruit for a candidate or see if a candidate emerges on his/her own. It was decided to keep the seat open, and encourage a younger Truro resident to apply.

The Chair is committed to serve through the 2024 grant cycle. She encouraged members to think about stepping forward to fill this position and offered to coach/mentor the prospective chair through the next funding cycle. Computer aptitude is a welcome skill for this position. Much to the delight of the entire Council, Alice Gong expressed interest in becoming vice chair.

6. Meeting Adjourned at 3:10 pm. Ann made a motion to adjourn, Lynn seconded. Unanimous vote.