

ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

All Advisory Committee Meeting September 27, 2021

Arts Advisory Commission - Mandate

To recommend activities for the stabilization and strengthening of the arts community.

To monitor and assist with the implementation of the Arts Awards Program and Public Art Program.

To inform Council of issues and achievements in the Hamilton arts community and acts as a point of contact for members of the arts community regarding issues affecting the arts community.



City of Hamilton Arts Awards





The City of Hamilton Arts Awards is one of the oldest programs of its kind in Canada and has been at the forefront of recognizing creative talent since 1976.

Each year, citizens nominate artists for consideration by independent juries of arts professionals who choose notable artists and arts community leaders to honour for their excellence and contributions to Hamilton.

The purpose of the program is to:

Celebrate and build awareness of the incredible contribution that artists make to Hamilton

Foster growth in the arts sector

Develop the talent that drives this vital part of our city



Public Art

Review and advise on policies such as the Art in Public Places Policy. Members are part of each public art jury.



Supporting Healthcare Traffic Box Art Superheros Linhi Thai

Eagles Among Us David M General

Music City Markers David Kuruc



Celebrate Resilience in the Arts

The COVID -19 pandemic has affected us all, including the arts community, in unique ways. Each of us has survived this historical period of sickness and healing, loss and life, struggles and accomplishments.

The Arts Advisory Commission (AAC) for the City of Hamilton, in partnership with Hamilton Arts Council (HAC), were seeking submissions from Hamilton artists that represent the overall theme of resilience and that contain a message of hope for the future.

We want you to be part of the response and recovery! Selected submissions will be featured on HAC and City websites, on social media and at future AAC events to help guide conversations and work about response and recovery of the Arts Community in Hamilton. Your experiences from this extraordinary time will express the physical, social and emotional impact of the pandemic, and act as tools for inspiration. (Call for submissions is now closed).



Big Picture Recovery Symposium

Based on the responses from Celebrate Resilience in the Arts and an accompanying survey, the Arts Advisory Commission will host a symposium.

The symposium will address concerns as originally identified in the Big Picture Report (2017) along with new information pertaining to the newly collected data from Celebrate Resilience in the Arts (Covid Recovery specific collected data).

The Big Picture Recovery Symposium is projected to take place during the first quarter of 2022.

