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Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, January 2, 2019

3:30 PM

84 Free Street

AGENDA

Welcome and President's Comments

1. Welcome and President's Comments

A. (Note: VP Kate Anker will preside in David Brenerman's absence.)

2. Consent Agenda

A. November Minutes

B. Financial Update Through November 2018

C. Executive Director's Report

ACTION: Vote to accept Consent Agenda

3. Executive Director Update

A. Fall Appeal - Small Gifts & Sponsorships

B. Grant Update

C. Winter Event: HEAR, HERE Update

4. Committee Chair Updates

A. Governance

I. Bylaw Amendment Update - City Nominating Committee is currently reviewing to make recommendation before City Council Vote.

II. Increase Board meeting schedule to once a month, except August and December.

ACTION: Vote to approve additional meetings.

B. Finance - Budget Review - Halfway Mark for FY2019

C. Advancement -o Opportunities for Increasing Capacity

5. Next Meeting Dates

A. March 6, 2019; May 8, 2019; June 26, 2019 (in lieu of July 3)

Creative Portland Board Minutes

November 7, 2018

Creative Portland Office

84 Free Street

Board In Attendance: Nicole Barna, Greg Mitchell, David Brenerman, Raffi Der Simonian, Lisa Bloss, Daniel Minter, Brian Marshall, Ezekiel Callanan, Gerard Salvo (phone)

Staff in Attendance: Dinah Minot, Emily Southard

Audience: Julia Durgee, Gib Foltz, Tod VanZandt

Meeting called to order 3:35pm

Welcome and President's Comments

Welcome to the board.

Motion to Accept Consent Agenda

First: Mr. Der Simonian; Second: Ms. Bloss

No discussion

Vote: Unanimous

Executive Director's Update & Discussion

New Fiscal Sponsorships

- Portland Dance Month: a month-long collection of 16 performances, events, and workshops organized by internationally-renowned dancer Riley Watts. An Arts in the Chamber performance by Mr. Watts the previous Monday was part of the project.
- Indigo Arts Alliance: a subsidized studio workspace designed as an arts development project, providing a space for artists to develop their craft and concepts and to collaborate with other artists. It will be located on Cove Street in East Bayside.

Cultural Planning Process

- A working draft of a final report is in circulation to key members of the community, including cultural anchors and city staff.
- The final report will be presented to City Council for their acceptance and approval.
- CP hosted a meeting on 10/17/18 of potential steering committee members for an annual summit. Attendees expressed interest in both a planning event and an arts showcase opportunity, which could be combined into one hybrid event.
 - Initial planning has begun for an arts showcase event in February 2019 at Merrill Auditorium

- Following the approval of the report by City Council, Creative Portland will be eligible to apply for a \$75,000 grant from Maine Arts Commission to implement an initiative identified in the plan.

Portland Public Art Committee (PPAC)

- PPAC is working on putting together the process for choosing an artist for the to-be-built roundabout at the University of Southern Maine campus.
- The “lighting” of Aaron Stephan’s installation at Woodfords Corner is 11/15/18.

Annual Report Draft Discussion

The Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Report (July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018) has been drafted following the same format as years past. Expected presentation date to City Council is 11/19/18.

Discussion on the contents ensued, followed by general agreement to present the draft to the City Council.

Introduction of Potential New Board Member - Gib Foltz

Mr. Foltz introduced himself to the board and provided information on his background as a CPA, artist, and nonprofit board member. He left the meeting before the approval vote was taken.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

Discussion of revised draft of bylaw amendments. A first draft was presented at the prior board meeting and the revised draft incorporated feedback received. This draft includes changes to the structure of appointing board members, attendance requirements for board members, changing the number of required meetings per year, and removing the position of immediate past president as an automatic member of the Executive Committee. The amendments would be reviewed by city counsel before being presented to the City Council.

Motion to Recommend Bylaw Amendments to City Council

First: Ms. Bloss; Second: Mr. Minter

No further discussion.

Vote: All in favor (except one abstention)

Nomination of Gib Foltz to the Creative Portland Board of Directors

Discussion of Mr. Foltz’s qualifications and interest to serve.

Motion to Appoint Gib Foltz to the Creative Portland Board of Directors

First: Ms. Barna; Second: Mr. Marshall

No further discussion

Vote: Unanimous

Nomination of Slate of Officers

The current officers have agreed to stay on for another year. Discussion of whether to move Mr. Marshall from Treasurer to Secretary and appoint Mr. Foltz as Treasurer.

Motion to Approve the Slate of Officers as follows: David Brenerman - President, Kate Anker Vice President, Gib Foltz - Treasurer; Brian Marshall - Secretary

First: Mr. Brenerman; Second: Mr. Minter

Discussion: Question arising about another board member's interest in the secretary position and clarification regarding their availability.

Vote: Unanimous

Committee Chair Updates Continued

Governance

Several board members who had not been in attendance at meetings for a number of months have resigned. Those stepping down are: Randy Ferrell, Dee Dee Germain, Emily Isaacson, and Briana Volk.

Advancement

Discussion of fall fundraising appeal timeline, response, reach, and metrics.

Meeting adjourned at 5:18pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Emily Southard

Creative Portland
Statement of Activity
 July through November 2018

	<u>Jul 18</u>	<u>Aug 18</u>	<u>Sep 18</u>	<u>Oct 18</u>	<u>Nov 18</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense						
Income						
4100 Operations (unrestricted)						
4110 Contribution Income						
4111 Individual	0	0	0	0	2,735	2,735
4112 Board Challenge	0	0	0	75	544	619
4116 Art Sale Contributions	232	0	0	0	0	232
Total 4110 Contribution Income	<u>232</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>3,279</u>	<u>3,586</u>
4114 Special Event	0	0	0	0	0	0
4115 Arts District TIF Funding	0	0	25,000	25,000	0	50,000
4140 Corporate Sponsorships	40	0	40	0	300	380
4150 Fiscal Sponsor Agent Fee	0	125	257	215	1,792	2,389
Total 4100 Operations (unrestricted)	<u>272</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>25,297</u>	<u>25,290</u>	<u>5,371</u>	<u>56,355</u>
4200 Programs (restricted)						
4215 Cultural Plan Income	0	0	0	2,550	0	2,550
Total 4200 Programs (restricted)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,550</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,550</u>
Total Income	<u>272</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>25,297</u>	<u>27,840</u>	<u>5,371</u>	<u>58,905</u>
Cost of Goods Sold						
5000 Cost of Programs						
5010 Cost of Program Cultural Plan	400	0	0	0	0	400
5020 Event Expenses	290	0	361	0	0	651
5030 Cost of Program - First Friday	176	253	0	0	95	523
Total 5000 Cost of Programs	<u>866</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>361</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>1,575</u>
Total COGS	<u>866</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>361</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>1,575</u>
Gross Profit	<u>-594</u>	<u>-128</u>	<u>24,935</u>	<u>27,840</u>	<u>5,277</u>	<u>57,330</u>
Expense						
6000 Marketing						
6005 Comm & Marketing Outreach	0	0	0	237	0	237
6010 PR, SM & Community Engagement	95	125	155	167	125	667
6015 Web programming	0	0	12	12	0	24
6020 Website	0	0	35	0	0	35
6025 Printing and Reproduction	0	0	90	95	121	306
Total 6000 Marketing	<u>95</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>292</u>	<u>511</u>	<u>246</u>	<u>1,269</u>
6100 Personnel						
6101 Executive Director	5,425	5,425	6,694	5,425	5,425	28,394
6102 Program Assistant	3,875	3,875	4,392	3,875	3,875	19,892
6150 Professional Development						
6151 Conferences Attended	0	150	0	0	20	170
Total 6150 Professional Development	<u>0</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>170</u>
Total 6100 Personnel	<u>9,300</u>	<u>9,450</u>	<u>11,086</u>	<u>9,300</u>	<u>9,320</u>	<u>48,456</u>
6200 Occupancy Expenses						
6212 Electricity	55	38	37	37	76	244
6213 Office Improvements	300	314	300	300	300	1,516
6214 Water & Sewer	34	36	35	35	36	176
6215 Internet	150	75	0	150	75	450
Total 6200 Occupancy Expenses	<u>540</u>	<u>463</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>488</u>	<u>2,385</u>
6500 Professional Services						
6520 Graphic Design	400	0	0	0	0	400
6560 Accounting	1,008	591	493	0	481	2,573
6570 Technical Support	0	50	0	0	0	50
Total 6500 Professional Services	<u>1,408</u>	<u>641</u>	<u>493</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>481</u>	<u>3,023</u>

Creative Portland
Statement of Activity
 July through November 2018

	<u>Jul 18</u>	<u>Aug 18</u>	<u>Sep 18</u>	<u>Oct 18</u>	<u>Nov 18</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
6600 Operating Expenses						
6605 Telephone	0	100	0	100	0	200
6610 Software	0	154	47	47	45	294
6615 Meetings						
6617 Food	0	131	0	161	4	296
Total 6615 Meetings	<u>0</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>296</u>
6620 Office Supplies	82	78	130	152	97	540
6625 Postage and Delivery	0	212	0	256	0	467
6630 General Liability Insurance	139	217	139	451	139	1,087
6640 Bank Service Charges	26	0	0	0	0	26
6645 Filing Fees	60	60	0	0	0	120
6650 Dues & Memberships	0	50	0	0	200	250
6660 Email	47	0	0	0	0	47
6680 Merchant Processing Fees	0	0	0	2	66	68
Total 6600 Operating Expenses	<u>355</u>	<u>1,002</u>	<u>317</u>	<u>1,171</u>	<u>551</u>	<u>3,396</u>
Total Expense	<u>11,699</u>	<u>11,681</u>	<u>12,561</u>	<u>11,504</u>	<u>11,085</u>	<u>58,529</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-12,292</u>	<u>-11,809</u>	<u>12,375</u>	<u>16,336</u>	<u>-5,809</u>	<u>-1,199</u>
Other Income/Expense						
Other Income						
7000 Other Income-Expense						
7200 In-Kind Donations	0	0	0	870	0	870
7700 Interest Exp - Clty Loan	-19	-19	-19	-19	-19	-93
7900 In-Kind Expenses	0	0	0	-870	0	-870
Total 7000 Other Income-Expense	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-93</u>
Total Other Income	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-93</u>
Net Other Income	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-19</u>	<u>-93</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-12,311</u></u>	<u><u>-11,828</u></u>	<u><u>12,356</u></u>	<u><u>16,318</u></u>	<u><u>-5,828</u></u>	<u><u>-1,292</u></u>

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Financial Activity Budget vs. Actual

July through November 2018

	Jul - Nov 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
4100 Operations (unrestricted)				
4110 Contribution Income				
4111 Individual	2,735	2,917	-181	93.79%
4112 Board Challenge	619	1,455	-836	42.52%
4116 Art Sale Contributions	232	750	-518	30.93%
4110 Contribution Income - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 4110 Contribution Income	3,586	5,122	-1,536	70.02%
4114 Special Event	0			
4115 Arts District TIF Funding	50,000	25,000	25,000	200.0%
4140 Corporate Sponsorships	380	14,500	-14,120	2.62%
4150 Fiscal Sponsor Agent Fee	2,389	1,000	1,389	238.87%
Total 4100 Operations (unrestricted)	56,355	45,622	10,733	123.53%
4200 Programs (restricted)				
4215 Cultural Plan Income	2,550			
4270 Grants & Foundations				
4275 CP Grants	0	2,125	-2,125	0.0%
Total 4270 Grants & Foundations	0	2,125	-2,125	0.0%
Total 4200 Programs (restricted)	2,550	2,125	425	120.0%
4300 Other	0	0	0	0.0%
5100 Fiscal Sponsor Inc (restricted)	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Income	58,905	47,747	11,158	123.37%
Cost of Goods Sold				
5000 Cost of Programs				
5010 Cost of Program Cultural Plan	400			
5020 Event Expenses	651			
5030 Cost of Program - First Friday	523	2,500	-1,977	20.94%
Total 5000 Cost of Programs	1,575	2,500	-925	62.99%
Total COGS	1,575	2,500	-925	62.99%
Gross Profit	57,330	45,247	12,083	126.71%
Expense				
6000 Marketing				
6005 Comm & Marketing Outreach	237	900	-663	26.37%
6010 PR, SM & Community Engagement	667	900	-233	74.14%
6015 Web programming	24			
6020 Website	35	1,000	-965	3.5%
6025 Printing and Reproduction	306	750	-444	40.75%
6000 Marketing - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 6000 Marketing	1,269	3,550	-2,281	35.75%
6100 Personnel				
6101 Executive Director	28,394	29,583	-1,189	95.98%
6102 Program Assistant	19,892	14,063	5,829	141.45%
6103 Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0.0%
6104 Payroll Fee	0	0	0	0.0%
6105 Payroll Taxes	0	0	0	0.0%
6106 Recruiting Expense	0	0	0	0.0%
6120 Workmen's Compensation	0	625	-625	0.0%
6150 Professional Development				
6151 Conferences Attended	170	0	170	100.0%
6152 Staff Development	0	0	0	0.0%
6154 Reimbursable Expenses	0	0	0	0.0%
6150 Professional Development - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 6150 Professional Development	170	0	170	100.0%
6100 Personnel - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 6100 Personnel	48,456	44,271	4,185	109.45%
6200 Occupancy Expenses				

Creative Portland
Financial Activity Budget vs. Actual
 July through November 2018

	Jul - Nov 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
6211 Office Rent	0	2,600	-2,600	0.0%
6212 Electricity	244	1,364	-1,120	17.88%
6213 Office Improvements	1,516	0	1,516	100.0%
6214 Water & Sewer	176	250	-74	70.3%
6215 Internet	450	375	75	119.97%
6200 Occupancy Expenses - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 6200 Occupancy Expenses	2,385	4,589	-2,204	51.98%
6300 Travel				
6310 Travel Expenses	0	833	-833	0.0%
6300 Travel - Other	0	462	-462	0.0%
Total 6300 Travel	0	1,295	-1,295	0.0%
6500 Professional Services				
6510 Consulting	0	0	0	0.0%
6520 Graphic Design	400	0	400	100.0%
6560 Accounting	2,573	2,500	73	102.92%
6570 Technical Support	50			
6575 Website Editing and Bloggin	0	0	0	0.0%
6580 Other Professional Services	0	3,750	-3,750	0.0%
6500 Professional Services - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 6500 Professional Services	3,023	6,250	-3,227	48.37%
6600 Operating Expenses				
6605 Telephone	200	250	-50	80.0%
6610 Software	294	500	-206	58.77%
6615 Meetings				
6616 Venue	0	0	0	0.0%
6617 Food	296	1,000	-704	29.64%
6615 Meetings - Other	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 6615 Meetings	296	1,000	-704	29.64%
6620 Office Supplies	540	1,000	-460	53.96%
6625 Postage and Delivery	467	125	342	373.69%
6630 General Liability Insurance	1,087	1,125	-38	96.63%
6635 D & O Insurance	0	500	-500	0.0%
6640 Bank Service Charges	26	0	26	100.0%
6645 Filing Fees	120	0	120	100.0%
6650 Dues & Memberships	250	250	0	100.0%
6655 Board Expense	0	0	0	0.0%
6660 Email	47	225	-178	21.1%
6670 Supplies & Equipment	0	0	0	0.0%
6680 Merchant Processing Fees	68			
Total 6600 Operating Expenses	3,396	4,975	-1,579	68.26%
Total Expense	58,529	64,929	-6,400	90.14%
Net Ordinary Income	-1,199	-19,683	18,483	6.09%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
7000 Other Income-Expense				
7200 In-Kind Donations	870			
7700 Interest Exp - City Loan	-93	0	-93	100.0%
7900 In-Kind Expenses	-870			
Total 7000 Other Income-Expense	-93	0	-93	100.0%
Total Other Income	-93	0	-93	100.0%
Total Other Expense	0	0	0	0.0%
Net Other Income	-93	0	-93	100.0%
Net Income	-1,292	-19,683	18,390	6.57%

Creative Portland
Statement of Financial Position
As of November 30, 2018

	Nov 30, 18	Oct 31, 18	\$ Change	% Change
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings				
1010 Creative Portland Checking	60,178	56,177	4,000	7.12%
1015 Petty Cash	386	86	300	347.14%
1025 PayPal Account	556	599	-43	-7.21%
Total Checking/Savings	61,120	56,863	4,257	7.49%
Other Current Assets				
1600 Prepaid expenses				
1610 Prepaid Insurance	651	790	-139	-17.64%
Total 1600 Prepaid expenses	651	790	-139	-17.64%
Total Other Current Assets	651	790	-139	-17.64%
Total Current Assets	61,771	57,653	4,117	7.14%
Fixed Assets				
1400 Fixed Assets				
1410 Equipment	4,579	4,579	0	0.0%
1420 Accumulated Depreciation	-3,145	-3,145	0	0.0%
1450 Leasehold Improvements				
1455 Accumulated Depreciation	-2,696	-2,396	-300	-12.54%
1450 Leasehold Improvements - Other	36,058	36,058	0	0.0%
Total 1450 Leasehold Improvements	33,362	33,662	-300	-0.89%
Total 1400 Fixed Assets	34,796	35,096	-300	-0.86%
Total Fixed Assets	34,796	35,096	-300	-0.86%
Other Assets				
1950 Stock Ownership	1,051	559	492	87.92%
Total Other Assets	1,051	559	492	87.92%
TOTAL ASSETS	97,618	93,309	4,309	4.62%
LIABILITIES & EQUITY				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Other Current Liabilities				
2100 Payroll Liabilities	46,500	37,200	9,300	25.0%
2200 Art Sale Liability	-535	-535	0	0.0%
2500 Fiscal Sponsorship Liability				
2510 MSCW Fiscal Sponsorship	494	494	0	0.0%
Total 2530 Black Artists Forum Fiscal Spon	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 2540 Pecha Kucha Fiscal Sponsorship	4,782	4,782	0	0.0%
Total 2560 Speedwell Projects Fiscal Spons	1,283	0	1,283	100.0%
Total 2570 Portland Dance Month Fiscal Sp	133	278	-146	-52.35%
Total 2580 Indigo Arts Alliance FS	0	0	0	0.0%
Total 2500 Fiscal Sponsorship Liability	6,692	5,555	1,137	20.47%
Total Other Current Liabilities	52,657	42,220	10,437	24.72%
Total Current Liabilities	52,657	42,220	10,437	24.72%
Long Term Liabilities				
2800 City of Portland Loan	17,924	18,225	-301	-1.65%
Total Long Term Liabilities	17,924	18,225	-301	-1.65%
Total Liabilities	70,581	60,445	10,136	16.77%
Equity				
3050 Retained Earnings	-2,233	-2,233	0	0.0%
3100 Unrest'd Net Assets				
3101 Prior Period Adjustments	-32,742	-32,742	0	0.0%
3110 Unrest'd Undesignated NA	56,904	56,904	0	0.0%
Total 3100 Unrest'd Net Assets	24,162	24,162	0	0.0%
3200 Temporarily Rest'd Net Assets	6,365	6,365	0	0.0%
3221 Loss/Gain on Investment	35	35	0	0.0%
Net Income	-1,292	4,535	-5,828	-128.5%
Total Equity	27,037	32,864	-5,828	-17.73%
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	97,618	93,309	4,309	4.62%

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Executive Director Report- 01/02/19 Board Meeting

FUNDRAISING

- The Fall Appeal campaign has been extended into the new year, but so far, we are on track with our budget expectations for FY19 fundraising goal. We have raised over \$5500 in calendar year-end small gifts, \$15,000 in grants (PEDPIP matching grant) and \$22,000 in sponsorships, to be deposited in January for FY19 programs and events.
- Our first production (and fundraiser) event, HEAR HERE, will showcase local talent at Merrill Auditorium, slated for Feb 17th at 4pm. Tickets available on PortTix beginning January 4, co-sponsored by City of Portland and other foundations and sponsors. Details available at www.hearheremaine.com. Note: Advancement committee meeting will be scheduled in early January to discuss ancillary marketing opportunities and to present a production update.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

- **Portland Media Center:** Dinah gave keynote presentation speech at PMC's annual meeting on Nov 8
- **Home: Reflections on Place panel at PPL:** Dinah represented CP on a panel discussing immigrant advocacy on Nov 8
- **Eggs & Issues:** CP was the community coffee corner at the Chamber's Eggs & Issues on Nov 14. The topic was about workforce development, retention, and attraction with panelists from Live + Work, Educate Maine and Focus Maine.
- **Breakwater School:** Site visit with artist/teacher Hannah Bevens (aka Haus of Hannah)
- **Casco Bay High School Build Community Symposium:** This fall, Creative Portland was a partner organization for CBHS's build community project. Six ninth-graders worked with CP to understand our organization, pitch future projects, and see how our work relates to Portland's comprehensive plan. The project culminated with a symposium at Portland Public Library on December 13.
- **Economic Development Steering Committee (EDSC):** Meeting scheduled for Jan 31 at Visit Portland with city partners.
- **Maine Arts Commission:** "Iditarod" hosted in Portland on June 8 at SPACE, 12-4pm. CP a co-promoter.

PROGRAMS

- **First Friday Art Walk** - November art walk was a success with the launch of Portland Dance Month and the distribution of the newly designed Monthly Arts Update, including an arts & cultural map, designed in-house (Thank you Emily). December Monthly Arts Update now includes the Portland Public Art Committee's collection. We also created our first arts & culture holiday calendar listing holiday sales, performances, exhibitions and

cultural events. During December's First Friday, CP hosted a Holiday Pop-Up Art Sale with Portland Buy Local, featuring 12 local artists, craftspeople, and writers. January First Friday will be modest, as several organizations including MECA and SPACE will be closed. It is also the same night as Governor Janet Mills inaugural gala, where several cultural organizations and artists from Portland, including USM Chamber Singers, 240 Strings and Batimbo United Burundi Drummers will perform.

- **2 Degrees Program** - Sponsorship discussions are in the works for a redesign of the program. New planning committee is currently being formed for a January 15th meeting.
- **CP Art Gallery** - *On The Verge* arts exhibition, which opened October 24, and showcases 18 artists from Greater Portland, will be up through April. All art for sale. CP also curated the lobby of the Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce on Congress Street with work by four immigrants.
- **Arts in the Chamber series**
Dec 17 - SidexSide, an arts education initiative in the public schools, presented their \$2.5 million federal grant award
Jan 7 - Myles Bullen, rapper and beatbox poet
Feb 4 - Hear Here! promotional presentation of the talent showcase produced by Creative Portland on Feb 17th at Merrill Auditorium
- **Professional Development Workshops**
TBA - grant, PR & branding, and tax prep workshops
- **Monday Morning Drop By (MMDB) - Community Open House**
December 3 - Rad Plaid introduced their new music calendar app. A dozen community members attended.
January 7 - next MMDB open house
- **Cultural Plan Update** - Final report of "Cultural Plan Update of 2018 - A Living Action Plan" is awaiting city council agenda assignment and city council approval. Date TBD.
- **Arts & Culture Summit 2019** - Possible plan for June 18-19 TBD

NEW FISCAL SPONSORSHIPS (CP receives 5% of incoming funds):

- Robot Speak - Artist Eva Rose Goetz
- Batimbo United Burundi Drummers

EXISTING FISCAL SPONSORSHIPS:

- **SPEEDWELL projects:** A not for profit arts gallery and artists cooperative in Woodford's Corner dedicated to launching thought-provoking exhibitions in all media.
- **Portland Dance Month:** A month-long series of performances, workshops, and other events, providing an opportunity for local arts organizations to strengthen relationships, expand public engagement, and get audiences excited about seeing more dance performances in Portland.
- **Indigo Arts Alliance:** An initiative to create innovative hybrid studio spaces to amplify the creative voices, artistic vision, and practice of artists of color in Maine.
- **Black Artists Forum (Maine Initiatives grant):** A coalition dedicated to maintaining the growth of individual creators and the community of black artists in Maine.

- Hi Tiger
- Start Up Maine, Inc.: three-day conference of cutting-edge content, applied learning, and collaborative connections, welcoming both startups and creators from Maine and beyond.
- Re-Past: Remembering Malaga: A site-specific memorial held on Malaga Island to engage the public-at-large to remember those who were evicted from the island in 1912. They received grant funding from the Davis Family Foundation.
- Bryan/Robinson Consortium: A consortium commissioning an African American Requiem titled *A Tender Bridge*, based on the poetry and prose of legend Ashley Bryan, composed by Aaron Robinson.
- Pecha Kucha Portland: A global storytelling presentation that has been active in Portland for 10 years.