A Division of Arlington Economic Development

Cultural Affairs Director’s Report for the Arlington Commission for the Arts
September 26, 2018

I. Informational:

• Facilities and Technical Services
  o Supported Rosslyn Jazz Festival with production management and stage crew.
  o Technical Theater Outreach at Yorktown High School—Technical staff is working with Yorktown students to install a repertory light plot and assisting with the design and technical elements their fall musical. Several Yorktown students worked as interns at Lubber Run this summer.
  o Said goodbye to Luis Chavesta who has gone to the Kennedy Center.
  o Provided mobile stage for the Prio Bangla Street Festival.

• Arts Enterprise
    Partnership between Arts Enterprise, The Arts Meet!, and BizLaunch.
    ▪ Event held at Palette 22
    ▪ Excellent turnout, 75 plus attendees
    ▪ Out of 31 surveys taken, 14 attendees listed themselves as artists
  o Lee Arts Center
    Jun Lee, Lee Arts Center, artist-in-residence. Jun Lee’s print entitled, “Our Time in the Meadow” printed at LAC, took Best in Show at Highpoint Center for Printmaking’s Stand Out Prints: International Juried Print Exhibition and the Juror was Crawford Alexander Mann III, Curator of Prints and Drawings from the Smithsonian American Art Museum and the Renwick Gallery.
  o Mini Gallery (LAC) exhibit, September 5-September 29, 2018 – Coastal Tales: Scratching the Surface. The exhibiting artists use printmaking and ceramic techniques to reveal stories of life in or around the ocean.
  o Arts Enterprise Institute:
    Business Skills for Artists – Recordkeeping, September 22, 2018. Workshop attendance was at capacity, 10 seats!!
    Next workshop: Understanding Your Options: Legal Considerations, October 10, 2018.
• Cultural Development
  o **Rosslyn Jazz Festival** – Despite rain and unseasonably cool temperatures, Festival attracted almost 3,000 people over the course of the day. The program received widespread notice in over a dozen local outlets including a feature in the weekend section of the *Washington Post*. Guest announcements from the stage included County Board Chair Kristol and NPR’s Felix Contreras.
  o **Arlington Art Truck** – Fourth and final activation, Arlington Abstracted by artist Mark Pekala, presented in partnership with Arlington County Inspection Services Department. Activations to date include Rosslyn Jazz Festival, Nauck Civic and Community Pride Day, and COlumbia Pike Farmers Market (Cancelled due to rain). Next activations include West Columbia Pike Food Truck Party (9/29) and Valley Fest (9/30).
  o **The Arlington County World War I Commemoration Task Force** partnered with the Virginia World War I/II Commemoration Commission to bring the Profiles of Honor Mobile Tour Bus to the Arlington County Fair. In honor of the 100th anniversary of World War I, the Profiles of Honor Mobile tour bus was an interactive mobile exhibition inside of a 42ft trailer that featured stories, artifacts, and information about Virginians participation in the Great War. Visitors were able to see artifacts from this period including gas masks, helmets, and even steer a Navy Was Ship wheel. Arlington County WWI Commemoration The exhibit was visited by 2,093 adult visitors and 784 children.

II. Action:
    None

III. Discussion
    None