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**WOODLAND HILLS – WARNER  
CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD  
COUNCIL**

**Arts and Culture  
Committee:**

Co-Chairperson: Masha Dowell  
Co-Chairperson: Harout Aristakessian  
Committee Members:  
Jayce Baron  
Juliet Schwarz  
Reina Cerros McCaughey  
Steve Sommers

**Arts & Culture Committee**

**MEETING AGENDA**

DATE: April 17, 2025

TIME: 5:30 PM

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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The Arts and Culture Committee shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Arts and Culture Committee and offer comments in real time.

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the Arts and Culture Committee, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(i) If the Arts and Culture Committee provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph, to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) If the Arts and Culture Committee does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) If the Arts and Culture Committee provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

### **Items for Discussion and Possible Action:**

All comments are limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding chair of the committee.

1. Call to Order.

2. Roll call of members: Co-Chair - Masha Dowell, Co-Chair Harout Aristakessian, Committee members: Jayce Baron, Reina Cerris- McCaughey, Juliet Schwarz, Steve Sommers

3. Public Announcements by city officials and representatives: (2) minutes per speaker.

4. Stakeholder Public Comment Period (on items NOT on the agenda): (1) minute per speaker.

**Items for discussion and possible action:**

Item No. 1

Approval of March 20, 2025 Special meeting minutes - Masha Dowell (5 Mins):  
Review and approval of minutes from the previous special meeting.

Item No. 2

Event Invitation and information - Juliet Schwarz(10 Mins)

Tori's Debut Art Exhibition - Woodland Hills resident, Tori, took up painting, which she describes as a safe space to process emotions, after her breast cancer diagnosis in 2022. Three years later, she is showing her pieces for the first time ever, alongside a group of beautiful artists, in a show aptly named, "Light."

Item No. 3

Woodland Hills area Art school introduction and invitation and potential collaboration - Juliet Schwarz(15 Mins):  
Calico Canvas - Calico Canvas (Topanga Canyon Blvd and Dumetz) offers meaningful and fun artistic development for children and adults of all ages. Owner, Allison Delaney-Lopez, will be speaking to us about her adult students who are interested in showcasing their art for the 1st time in an art gallery event in their space, and they would like to take us up on our offer to have a table at this event as a WHWCNC Outreach effort. Roll Call Vote

Item No. 4

Cultural Posts updates - Steve Sommers(10 Mins):

Update on development and implementation of cultural posts for community outreach and engagement.

Item No. 5

Motion Picture Television Fund tour and senior art class meetings - Harout (15 Mins)

Discussion of upcoming tour arrangements and senior art class meeting coordination with the Motion Picture Television Fund.

Item No. 6

Woodland Hills Art Walk Update - Masha Dowell (15 Mins)

Progress report on the Woodland Hills Art Walk planning and discussion of next steps in community outreach and partnerships.

Item No. 7

Miscellaneous or any items not on agenda(10 Mins)

Open forum for committee members to discuss arts and culture related topics not included on the agenda.

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