San Francisco Arts Commission Meeting

October 27, 2026

Item 1: Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Changes, Land Acknowledgement

1. Call to order
2. Roll call / Confirmation of quorum
3. Agenda Changes
4. Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement

Land Acknowledgement

The San Francisco Arts Commission acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost nor forgotten their responsibilities as the caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland. We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and relatives of the Ramaytush Community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples. As a department dedicated to promoting a diverse and equitable Arts and Culture environment in San Francisco, we are committed to supporting the traditional and contemporary evolution of the American Indian community.



Pictured: Antone Family (Tohono O'odham), 2019, Photo by Hulleah Tsinhnahjinnie. Left to right: Christine [seated], Melanie, Michelle and Arianna

Item 2: General Public Comment

Discussion

This item is to allow members of the public to comment generally on matters within the Commission's purview as well as to suggest new agenda items for the Commission's consideration.

Item 3: Queer Cultural Center

Discussion and Possible Action

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate

Presentation time: Approximately 5 minutes

Item 3

Discussion and possible action to approve the update to resolution number 0601-26-119 to update the grantee to The African American Art and Culture Complex (AAACC); and approve the Cultural Center fiscal year 2026-2027 grant amount not to exceed $146,557 to The African American Art and Culture Complex with sub-grantee QCC-The Center for Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Art & Culture (QCC) to support the operation and programming of this virtual cultural center and to ensure that this cultural center remains a vital contributor to the cultural life of the City; and to authorize the Executive Director of Arts and Culture to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed $146,557 at this time.

Item 3: Public Comment

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Queer Cultural Center

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Item 4: Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center

Discussion and Possible Action

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate

Presentation time: Approximately 5 minutes

Item 4

Discussion and possible action to approve the update to resolution number 0601-26-118 to add $55,000 in additional funds and approve the Cultural Center fiscal year 2026-2027 grant amount not to exceed $201,557 to SOMArts with sub-grantee Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center (APICC) to support the operation and programming of this virtual cultural center and to ensure that this cultural center remains a vital contributor to the cultural life of the City; and to authorize the Executive Director of Arts and Culture to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed $201,557 at this time.

Item 4: Public Comment

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Item 5: Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts

Discussion and Possible Action

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate

Presentation time: Approximately 5 minutes

Item 5

Discussion and possible action to approve the update to resolution number 0504-26-085 to add $84,967 in additional funds to the agreement for grant 24SPX07 between the San Francisco Arts Commission, Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts (MCCLA), and San Francisco Study Center Inc. (SF Study Center), and to authorize the Executive Director of Arts and Culture to enter into an amended novation agreement not to exceed $122,467 at this time.

Item 5: Public Comment

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Item 6: Staff Report

Discussion

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate

Presentation time: Approximately 5 minutes

Item 6: Public Comment

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Staff Report

Item 7: New Business and Announcements

Discussion

(This item is to allow the Commissioners to introduce without discussion new agenda items for consideration, to report on recent arts activities and to make announcements in accordance with Prop D.)

Item 7: Public Comment

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New Business and Announcements

Item 8: Adjournment

Action

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