

Cultural Advisory Board

Agenda

Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 6:30pm
Spruce Room in Louisville City Hall
749 Main St, Louisville, CO 80027

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- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Roll call**
- 3. Approval of the April 2026 Agenda**
- 4. Approval of March 2026 Minutes**
- 5. Public Comments**
- 6. Staff Report - Iris**
 - a. Upcoming Events**
 - b. Feedback on items requested in Staff Report**
- 7. Board Budget Request Preparations**
- 8. Council Study Session Preparations**

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9. Board Advocacy – Inviting Council to Summer Events

10. Items for May meeting agenda (items not on April agenda)

11. Adjourn

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Minutes

**Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 6:30pm
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- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Roll call - JR, Alexander, Sarah, Mohamed, Jeff, Leah absent, Reina late**
- 3. Approval of the March 2026 Agenda - approved**
- 4. Approval of February 2026 Minutes - approved**
- 5. Public Comments**
- 6. Staff Report - Iris**
 - a. Upcoming Events - see attached staff report; don't miss out on these upcoming opportunities to participate and support our events!**
 - b. Pride mural concepts coming soon; block space secured for event, twelve ten-by-ten spaces for tabling, let Iris know if you**

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**know of queer and trans artists who would like to table;
nonprofits won't have to pay, \$75 fee for everyone else**

- c. Staffing Update - new Special Events Coordinator, 25 hours a week! We'll get to meet her at a board meeting soon**
- d. Switching to written reports for the future so that the board can read the updates outside of meetings and focus our discussions on more productive topics (the reports will still be included in meeting minutes)**

7. CAB 2026 Retreat Recap – JR/Iris

- a. JR: great retreat, great ideas, hopefully moving forward with branding**
- b. Sarah: appreciated informal setting**
- c. Mohamed: Sundance planning was great**
- d. Alexander: great to revisit how we can be most effective as a board**
- e. Iris: advocacy angle will be really helpful going forward**

8. Sundance update: we're encouraged to take the initiative with our pre-programming ideas; check out 101 Sundance movies list for inspiration

- a. JR idea: what if we had a community short film submission contest?**

9. 2026 Study Session with City Council & Budget Requests

- a. Tuesday May 26th - board members encouraged to attend, we will need 1-2 leads to help present, look for a calendar invite and an entry in the volunteer spreadsheet**
- b. Submit budget amendment request by May 15th**
 - i. Staffing recommendation - coordinator role could be full time, or get a second part time person, or increase part time coordinator's hours**
 - ii. \$10,000-15,000 to maintain quality of existing programs**
 - iii. Could be worth forming a subcommittee to review ideas**

10. 2026 Arts Grants – Board Action Item

a. 2026 Arts Grants Discussion

i. Leah sent in questions ahead of time:

- 1. Tiny Gallery: is there a difference between it being permanent vs. temporary when it comes to public**

art distinction? Iris thinks we might not need public comment for a temporary installation; we could also discuss potential alternate locations with the artist - could we have a contingency plan?

- 2. Do we want to consider giving more weight to new organizations/artists over proposals from recurring applicants?**

b. Vote on 2026 Arts Grants

- i. Voted on top five and sixth backup**
- ii. JR: do we want to reexamine the arts grants process? For example: do we want to try changing it to two grants for \$5,000 each? Let's think about this for the future**
- iii. Reina: we didn't get as many applicants this year, BUT the quality was excellent**
- iv. Iris: how would the board like to be involved now that the projects have been chosen? Can board members be present? Can we help with marketing?**
- v. Reina: can we add a question for repeat applicants asking about if their attendance matched their estimate?**
- vi. Iris: grant recipients do provide post event evaluations**
- vii. Iris: offering \$2000 shapes the kind of applicants we get, going bigger might discourage smaller artists**
- viii. Iris: OR we could do *up to* \$5000 (maybe have multiple choice options for round numbers)**
- ix. City website refresh could facilitate application process upgrade**

11. Items for April meeting agenda (items not on March agenda)

- a. Continue discussing grants proposal process?**

12. Adjourn

April 2026 Staff Report
Cultural Advisory Board
04.09.2026

Upcoming City/City-Sponsored Events

- **Thursday, April 16 – Sunday, April 19** in the Louisville Arts Center: Louisville Art Association Spring Member Show ([open times vary](#))
- **Friday, April 24 @ 6pm** in the Louisville Arts Center: World Music Series – El Javi
 - Volunteers: Mohamed, JR, Jeff
- **Friday, May 1 @ 5pm** in the Louisville Public Library: *Astronaut of the Self* Opening Reception
- **Saturday, May 30 @ 4pm** in the Louisville Arts Center: Self-Care Serenades
 - This is an Arts Grant funded event. I highly recommend Board members try to attend.

I. Public Art Updates

- a. Mary Trebing Sculpture
 - i. Jin and John Powell have been selected as finalists for this project and have accepted the commission
 - ii. Next step is to schedule their visit to Colorado to see the site and meet with staff
- b. Find the Pomodoro Project
 - i. 2 out of 8 artworks have already been submitted!
 - ii. Still waiting to confirm 1 artist for this project (really want to find an artist who can make a bedazzled/sparkly/rhinestone tomato for us!)
 - iii. Working with Strange Bird Designs to finalize Pomodoro Mural design. Plan to install mural in place of Pollinator mural in late May
 - iv. Still in progress: finalizing locations for each piece; creating website page for program; developing approach to interacting with scavenger hunt/tracking which tomatoes participants have found; prizes for participants who find all of them
 - 1. **FEEDBACK NEEDED:** thoughts on how scavenger process?
Thoughts on prizes?
- c. Pride Paint by Numbers Mural

- i. It was a close race, but option #2 won by the smallest margin! The traditional Pride flag
 - ii. Catie is working on final design
- d. Louisville Lens
 - i. Hope to have list of participants finalized by the end of the week
 - ii. Participants will receive their disposable camera and instructions in early May, and then have two weeks to take photos and return their camera
 - iii. **FEEDBACK NEEDED:** additional ideas for participants
- e. Coal Creek Gallery
 - i. Gallery is currently hosting an exhibit by the East Boulder County Art Association
 - ii. May Exhibit: Astronaut of the Self by Teresa Anne Volgenau, begins May 1 with a reception on May 1 First Friday

II. Art Grants Update

- a. Oi, Tam Na Hori 2025 Art Grant completed in March
 - i. Still waiting for post-evaluation report
- b. Dance is like a Fine Wine 2025 Art Grant still in progress; upcoming program dates are April 16, May 21, and June 18 at Balfour. Attendance has been good – about 15-25 residents each session
- c. 2026 Arts Grants
 - i. Moving ahead with Louisville Colorado Tiny Gallery – project will be moved to a private location & discussions are currently taking place to determine final location
 - ii. Motus Playback: Voices of Louisville has been scheduled for December 5 from 7-9pm at the Arts Center; Motus is also in touch with Louisville Museum for collaboration
 - iii. Self-Care Serenades have been scheduled at the Arts Center for May 30, June 28, July 11, and August 29 from 4-6pm. Sign up coming soon
 - iv. Nosilla Dance Group has two performances scheduled at the Arts Center for June 20. Exact times TBD
 - v. Big Heart Film has accepted their grant and is meeting with the Rec Center Senior Center to start collecting subjects for event

III. Event Updates

- a. Second annual World Music Concert Series close to an end – very successful second installment of this series. High attendance, positive feedback, quality musical acts.
- b. Pride/Taste of Louisville Collaboration
 - i. FEEDBACK NEEDED: Staff is working on outreach to LBTQ orgs and artists to table at the event. Any connections/ideas for further outreach would be helpful!
- c. Block Party
 - i. Currently securing all vendors for this event
 - ii. Will go over site map during April CAB meeting to collect feedback
- d. Summer Concerts
 - i. Final opener for 2026 concert series has been selected and confirmed: Isabella Osborne will open for May Be Fern on July 23
 - ii. Full line up can [be seen here](#)
- e. Movie on Main
 - i. FEEDBACK NEEDED: want to select 4 choices for public poll to determine movie for this year