

**Cultural Commission May 13, 2019**

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The Bedford Cultural Commission met in regular session on May 13, 2019, with the following members present:

Thomas Jacobsen                      Kimmie Hamm  
Joseph Cartwright                      Josh Santillan  
Terry Smith

Amy Sabol – City of Bedford City Council Liaison  
Wendy Hartnett – City of Bedford  
Charlenia Walsh – City of Bedford

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Mr. Jacobsen.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Consider approval of the following Cultural Commission minutes:**
  - a. April 8, 2019**

The minutes for were approved with no changes by a motion by Mr. Smith and Ms. Hamm seconded the motion.

**BUSINESS**

**1. Discussion and update on Phase Next/Old Bedford School.**

Ms. Hartnett discussed next City Council meeting will provide information regarding the CMAR process for the Phase Next project. The Old Bedford School will officially reopen with the annual Ice Cream Social Celebration scheduled for Saturday, July 27 from 10am-12pm. The event will feature live music and an Ice Cream Social on the lawn of the Old Bedford School.

**2. Discussion and possible action on a Public Art Program.**

Mr. Jacobsen will reach out to Mr. Santos to speak about the project so that an update to City Council can be scheduled. The ideas are Bike Rack Art Program and/or Art Pod Project.

**3. Discussion, updates and possible action on upcoming art/cultural programming including Artsfest and Chalk Art event.**

**Chalk Walk -**

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There is agreement that this year was a lot less work and more concentration on the kids. Everyone agreed they liked the format. A few suggestions for next year include possibly moving closer to the inflatables or in front of the stage. The arrow drawings turned out great, but we need more visibility. We need to remember the 4X8 signs and maybe a balloon pillar or better visibility to draw them over. Mr. Santillan brought up the question that possibly the contest needed to be continued. He was able to see the products that the chalk artist used thinks that with the purchase of these products that some of the commissioners could replicate it without spending extra money. Mr. Cartwright suggested candy as prizes and stage recognition. We would tape off the spots as they register. Everyone enjoyed being included in the event.

### Reception-

Mr. Smith will add the event to Nextdoor.

The Cultural Commission is hosting an evening of art, music and theater at the Bedford Boys Ranch Park on Friday, May 17 beginning at 5:30pm.

The evening will begin with a come and go wine and cheese reception to kick off the Trinity Arts Guild Open Invitation Show at the TAG gallery located in the Arts Council Northeast building from 5:30pm - 7:00pm. Get FREE RSVP tickets at [cityofbedford.eventbrite.com](http://cityofbedford.eventbrite.com) Continue the evening with a Twilight Concert on the lawn of Bedford Boys Ranch Park (2801 Forest Ridge Dr.). Lawn chairs, blankets, picnics, coolers and leashed pets are encouraged. The concert will feature music from American Dreamer. American Dreamer is a classically trained band that is sure to entertain with a fusion of folk and classical musical. Food will be available for purchase from the Super Sliders food truck. Turning Point Beer and Silver Dollar Winery will be there with free tastings, while supplies last.

Conclude your evening in the park with a World Premier Theatrical Comedy of WAIT! Aren't They Dead? at Onstage in Bedford at 8:00pm. Tickets are required and can be purchased here [www.onstageinbedford.com/](http://www.onstageinbedford.com/).

\$5 off admission is being offered on May 17. The code is ARTSNIGHT.

ONSTAGE in Bedford is a volunteer-based theater providing accessible, diverse and high quality live entertainment to North Texas.

WAIT! Aren't They Dead?

\*\*WORLD PREMIERE!\*\* Written by Joe Major. This hilarious spoof of the 60's "Hag Horror" films mixed with real-life inspirations stars the comedy duo of Sherry Etzel and Lana K. Hoover! Directed by Mike Hathaway. Rated PG-13

The City of Bedford is proud to offer this programming with the help of our friends at the Arts Council Northeast, Central Arts of Bedford, Onstage in Bedford and Trinity Arts Guild.

### Twilights

Mr. Smith is announcing the band on Friday, May 17. Mr. Jacobsen is announcing on May 24. Mr. Santillan is announcing on May 31. There is also another Parks and Recreation event scheduled for June 7, a Yappy Hour event that is focused on dogs.

### Finger Painting

Mr. Jacobsen volunteered to host a finger painting class for the group on June 17 at Central Arts of Bedford.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional business, Mr. Smith made a motion for adjournment of the meeting; Mr. Cartwright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

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Thomas Jacobson, Chairperson