

ORA Steering Committee: January 14, 2015 MEETING MINUTES at MJCC

In attendance: Eddy Shuldman, Linda Bourne, Sharon Segal, Glenn Decherd, Brauna Ritchie, Esther Liberman, Laurie Fendel

1. Jewish Arts Month (JAM)

- 4 weeks in March. Fourth week will probably be PJA and/or RSM artists.
- Need someone new to oversee. Sharon & Brauna will advise.
- Maybe sub-directors for individual weeks
- Should be pretty easy, since Sharon & Brauna wrote up the whole process in detail.
- Eddy will ask S. Block, Nitzan, Bob Brenner, Barbara Berger

2. Geezer/A.R.T. Show

- Grace Anderson has agreed to do the graphics for us. She may become an ORA member.
- Eddy will send out newsletter this week with information about the exhibit, submission/jury requirements, and a request for people to reply if they plan to participate.
- Submissions should be accompanied by a one-line blurb explaining connection to the play's themes.
- Rolling submissions. Deadline for jury submissions will be around March 15, but they need some pieces asap for publicity, so people can submit existing work soon.

3. PSU Grant Project

- Sarah Liebman has a Capstone class learning to write grant proposals. They will write a grant proposal on our behalf, seeking a re-vamp of our website design and maintenance.
- Since we don't have the information they need, we have requested that they do the research for us, and perhaps the next class will write the actual grant proposal.
- Yay!

Member Participation

- We have always expected all members to contribute time and work to our group, but we haven't been able to express what needed to be done.
- This year we will return to having memberships renew in June, with a clear reminder about dues going out in May. This should be accompanied by a list of available jobs.
- Every artist who intends to be in COA must pick a job. All others will be encouraged to get involved too.
- Rough list of things we need done, taking some work off of our officers.
To be fine-tuned at next meeting:

- Need new President soon. A group this size can't continue to count on one person. More discussion to come.
- JAM coordinators & overall supervisor
- Newsletter
- Graphic Arts
- Print labels for Neveh Shalom shows, etc
- Help Leslie with Neveh shows... a third person, to coordinate schedule of artists for the whole year
- Taste of Art: hire Maggie to do as much as possible, including soliciting donations
- Jury: coordinate and manage jurying of new members and prospective COA guests
- Publicity (several people)
- Signs
- Trunk show supervisor and people to help with signs, publicity, buying snacks, etc.
- Photography of events, coordinate with website person
- Research & brainstorming ideas for education events with Laurie
- Critique group coordinator
- Nudge person to get info and photos for website
- New website person
- Secretary tasks?

5. COA 2015

- Need to publicize jury soon. Who will oversee jury this year?
Will Diane do it again?
- Need to start soliciting donations for TOA asap.
Let's have arrangements with Maggie in place before our February meeting.

6. CALENDAR

JAM: 4 weeks of March (4th week may be PJA and/or RSM artists)

APPRAISAL MTG: Sunday 3/8 to discuss pricing of art. Mainly for Geezer/A.R.T. submissions, but all members may bring art to appraise.

GEN MEMBERSHIP MTG: Sunday 4/19. Some sort of social event. Maybe a movie.

GEEZER/A.R.T. EXHIBIT: play runs 4/28 – 5/24

MEMBERS ANNUAL MEETING: Sunday 6/7

JURY for COA & New Members: Sunday 6/7

TRUNK SALE: Sunday, 6/28 at MJCC

TOA/COA: date to be cleared w/MJCC

- 1st choice 11/14-15

- 2nd choice 11/7-8

- 3rd choice 10/24-25

STEERING COMMITTEE MTGS: Second Wednesday of month, 9:30-11:30 am
2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10, (7/8?), 8/12, 9/9, 10/14, (11/11?), 12/9

Submitted by Esther Liberman. Great job, everyone!!