



AGENDA

Meeting of the
Scotts Valley Arts Commission
In-Person Meeting
Date: May 8, 2025
Time: 5:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
City of Scotts Valley 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 440-5600	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066	Agenda Posted on 5/2/2025 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the internet at: www.scottsvalley.gov
COMMISSIONERS		CITY STAFF MEMBERS
Kacey Lewis, Chair Lisa Simon, Vice Chair Diane Chambers, Commissioner Cynthia Gorski, Commissioner Jess Clark, Commissioner		Mali LaGoe, City Manager Jordan Taylor, Administrative Secretary/Analyst

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Call to Order

Roll Call

Staff Updates

1. Staff Updates - City Manager LaGoe

Public Comment Time

This portion of the agenda is reserved for discussion by the public of items which are NOT agendized. No action may be taken by the Commission except to refer the matter to staff and/or place it on a future agenda. It is in the best interest of the person speaking to the Commission to be concise and to the point. All speakers are requested to sign their name at the podium so their name may be accurately recorded in the

minutes of the meeting. A time limit of three minutes per individual will be allowed. If speaking on behalf of a group, the speaking time limit will be 5 minutes.

Consent Agenda

(Any person wishing to speak on the consent agenda may do so by raising their hand as the item is called out by the chairperson.)

1. Approve 2-13-2025 Arts Commission Minutes

Additions/Deletions to Regular Agenda

(Any person wishing to speak on the consent or regular agenda may do so by raising their hand as the item is called out by the chairperson.)

Regular Agenda

1. 2025 Poetry and Art Contest Winners
2. Realignment of Arts Commission with Economic Development goals and activities

Adjournment

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MINUTES

Meeting of the
Scotts Valley Arts Commission
Date: February 13th, 2025
Time: 5:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
Recreation Division 361 Kings Village Road Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 438-3251	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066	The agenda was posted on 02-07-2025 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at www.scottsvally.gov .

Call to Order - 5:00 pm

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 PM.

Roll Call

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Kacey Lewis, Acting Chair
Diane Chambers, Commissioner
Jess Clark, Commissioner
Cynthia Gorski, Commissioner
Lisa Simon, Commissioner

CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Allison Pfefferkorn, Recreation Division
Manager
Brian Youmans, Administrative Secretary

Staff Updates

1. Staff Updates - Department & Division - RDM Pfefferkorn
RDM Pfefferkorn gave a summary of recent updates including the suspension of the Siltanen Mural project until the retaining wall can be repaired and the current application for a grant to resurface the retaining wall.

Public Comment Time

None.

Consent Agenda

1. 11-07-24 Arts Commission Minutes
2. Review of 2025

M/S: Lewis/Simon

To approve the Consent Agenda.

Carried 5/0/0 (AYES: Lewis, Chambers, Clark, Gorski, Simon; NOES: None; ABSENT: None)

Additions/Deletions to Regular Agenda

None.

Regular Agenda

1. Election of Officers

RDM Pfefferkorn presented the background of information of the Art Commission's bylaws that state a Chair and Vice Chair will be elected amongst the commissioners and serve a term of one year.

M/S: Gorski/Simon

To nominate Acting Chair Lewis as Chairperson

Carried 5/0/0 (AYES: Lewis, Chambers, Clark, Gorski, Simon; NOES: None; ABSENT: None)

M/S: Gorski/Lewis

To nominate Commissioner Simon as Vice-Chairperson

Carried 5/0/0 (AYES: Lewis, Chambers, Clark, Gorski, Simon; NOES: None; ABSENT: None)

2. 2025 Poetry and Art Contest Update

RDM Pfefferkorn presented background information of the annual Poetry contest which is now including mixed multimedia artwork as well. RDM Pfefferkorn presented a timeline, a flyer, and recommended Commissioners discuss the upcoming event.

Commissioners asked clarifying questions that staff answered.

3. Chalk Art Event Update and New Ad Hoc Subcommittee Appointment

RDM Pfefferkorn presented a brief background and timeline of the upcoming Chalk Art Event as well as expressed the need for a new member for the subcommittee dedicated to this event.

M/S: Simon/Lewis

To appoint Commissioner Gorski to ad hoc subcommittee for the 2025 Chalk Art Event

Carried 5/0/0 (AYES: Lewis, Chambers, Clark, Gorski, Simon; NOES: None; ABSENT: None)

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:22 PM.

City of Scotts Valley ARTS COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

DATE: 5/8/2025
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Allison Pfefferkorn, Recreation Division Manager
APPROVED: Mali LaGoe, City Manager
SUBJECT: **2025 Poetry and Art Contest Winners**

SUMMARY OF ISSUE

The Verses of the Valley poetry contest has been a long standing tradition where poetry submissions were judged by set criteria and winners were chosen amongst the submissions.

A new twist was added for 2025, as it is now an Art and Poetry contest.

The contest welcomed participants of all age groups. Entries were assessed across all age categories: lower and upper elementary, middle school, high school, and an adult category.

Poems were limited to seven stanzas or 200 words. Art submission were encouraged to be paint, pencil, multimedia, and photography. Entrants were asked for their work to reflect the theme, Explore.

Five judges, consisting of the Arts Commissioners, were given a scoring rubric for the art and poetry to assess each poem to determine the winners of each age category.

All art and poetry will be on display at the Art & Poetry Showcase on May 16th at 6pm at the Scotts Valley Community Center.

Each winner will receive a 2025 Verses in the Valley art and poetry book which includes all poems and art entered into the contest. With the overall winner of the art contest to be featured on the cover of the booklet.

Below are the winners of the 2025 contest:

Poetry Contest Winners:

Night Poem

By Eloise Thorington, Lower Elementary Student

When the Sea Retreats

By Andrew Lau, Upper Elementary Student

Explore for More

By Alessandra Chapman, Middle School Student

The Discovered

By Kyla Deppong High School Student

I Opened a Book

By Adina Licht, Melissa Walpole, Hannah Thompson, Emma Rozeboom, Adult Category

Art Contest Winners:**Peaceful Banana Slug Spotting in Big Basin**

Acrylics on Canvas

Adelaide Swift, Lower Elementary Student

Wise Heron

Acrylics

Felix Neff, Upper Elementary Student

Aurora in the Valley

Acrylics on Canvas

Jillian Chuan, Middle School Student

Cow Girl Roots

Photography

Emma Rozeboom, High School Student

Exploring Glenwood

Color Pencil

Karen Kaplan, Adult

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with receiving this presentation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

To receive the presentation and congratulate the winners

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