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## ARTS & CULTURE

### Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 13, 2022

#### ATTENDANCE

Committee Members Present: Hon. George Harrell, Hon. Wilma Brown Phillips, Hon. Maurice Franklin, Hon. Kimberly McLaurin, Hon. Shadawn Smith,  
Committee Members Absent: Hon. Stephanie Palmer,  
Committee Members Excused: None  
Staff: Jasmin Heatley, Community Associate

#### MEETING OVERVIEW

The meeting was called to order at 6:35PM

#### SUMMARY

##### **NYC Department of Cultural Affairs**

Presenter: Sheelah Feinberg, Deputy Commissioner - NYC Department of Cultural Affairs

Website: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcla/index.page>

NYC Department of Cultural Affairs, the largest municipal funder of arts in the country. Last year we had a historic budget of just about 230 million dollars, which we give out to many small cultural arts organizations throughout the 5 boroughs. NYC Department of Cultural Affairs give money out to 34 cultural institutions and small organizations. Last year, NYC, DCA gave money to artists directly through the [City Artist Corps](#) and through the local arts councils.

Individual artists and people who work with artists can access NYC DCA grant making opportunities via *Capital Projects*, *Public Art in New York City* - [Public Artisan Residence Program](#), *One Percent For Art* - [1% for art program](#), *CIG - Culture Development Fund*.

For the first time this year. you may have heard we're bringing everybody back to panel, deadline

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##### **What's Eating Harlem**

Presenter: Paul Phillips, Executive Director - What's Eating Harlem

Website: [www.whatseatingharlem.com](http://www.whatseatingharlem.com)

Filming Schedule: July, August, September Season Air November 2022 (10 shows)

Currently in production of the 9th season, What's Eating Harlem, is a web site dedicated to one of the most famous communities in New York: Harlem USA. And now, with Harlem undergoing a

new renaissance—one that's bringing growth, expansion, and re-igniting the community with new businesses and cultural opportunities.

WEH's 10th season will include new restaurants, clubs, shops and cafes are opening in Harlem. The series will also feature interviews from the Harlem community on surviving the COVID - 19 pandemic and key persons who have contributed to the historical and cultural landscape of Harlem as well as an interview with Mono Turno - historian (Hong Kong) She's going to be talking about the segment called Renaissance to Renaissance- first Renaissance, Lower Manhattan to Central Park.

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### **Mama Foundation for the Arts**

Presenter, Vy Higginsen - Executive Director

Website: <https://www.mamafoundation.org/>

The fortieth anniversary of *Mama, I Wanna Sing* will return to the stage with a revival of the original production. The performance will premiere for 3 weeks during Black History Month in February 2023 at the Heckscher Theatre located on Fifth Avenue, 104th Street.

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### **Manhattan Borough President's Office - Honorable Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine**

Presenters: Athena Moore, Director of the Northern Manhattan Office and Minah White, Community Liaison

Website: [https://www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/`](https://www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/)

Manhattan Borough President's Office (MBPO) provides assistance to constituents across a broad range of issues that include, quality of life, housing, health, COVID relief, economic development and business support for arts and culture groups.

MBPO provides leadership and direct support to the CB10 committee and the cultural community at large including all community boards, particularly uptown's CB 9, 10, 11 and 12.

MBPO convenes with arts and culture groups to focus on struggling arts, institutions, individual artists, gig workers impacted by the pandemic. MBPO facilitates virtual town hall meetings with renowned experts to focus on collaboration and encourage the pooling of resources for arts in Upper Manhattan, especially during the crisis, and beyond.

MBPO work's with Harlem's cultural organizations to leverage city funding and provide high level attention from top city agencies and government officials to provided referrals for legal service providers, small business loans, grant funding opportunities and key contacts to bridge art groups with needed assistance. At that time to then brought in our discussion to talk about funding philanthropy and technical assistance opportunities.

For general information and for updates regarding grants opportunities and timelines visit the Manhattan Borough President's website at <https://www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/> .

unding cycle Those applications are actually due coming soon. We we provide one time 3,000 to \$7,000 in grants. We will have something on our website telling you the deadline this summer. It

will be coming in July, and you should look for that, and the window will be very short in terms of turning around your applications. But starting July look for that link on our website. We have a grants portal normally happens in January. e deadlines and applications are due and We don't exceed \$25,000 per recipient. So up to that amount is what we can provide but It's a limited number of applications for the Manhattan community.Award program.

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### **HARLEM WEEK Inc.**

Presenter: Marko Nobles, Executive Director - HARLEM WEEK Inc.

Website: <https://www.harlemweek.com>

HARLEM WEEK is excited to present HARLEM WEEK 2022 as a reimagined hybrid festival with virtual & live events.

Harlem is a State of Mind and whether you are here physically or anywhere around the world you can experience the magic of Harlem and this year's HARLEM WEEK festival. Guided by that mission as we emerge from a year of unprecedented challenges HARLEM WEEK 2022 looks to uplift, direct and encourage you with a series of events built around our theme, "INSPIRATION, IMPACT, LEGACY"

Harlem Week 2022 returns, touting its big, three-day-long, event-filled happenings — "A Great Day in Harlem," "Summer in the City" and "Harlem Day." The "Harlem Week 2022 theme, Reimagined — **Inspiration, Impact, Legacy**" theme runs through the festival, its three core events, and its arts, cultural and entertainment lineups.

"A Great Day in Harlem" will begin with the sounds and tastes of uptown at the Ulysses Grant National Memorial, W. 122nd St. and Riverside Drive in Manhattan, on **Aug. 14** from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. "Summer in the City" is held along W. 135th St. from Fifth Ave. to St. Nicholas Ave., on **Aug. 20**, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. "Harlem Day" is held along W. 135th St. from Fifth Ave. to St. Nicholas Ave on Aug 21st 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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### **HARLEM BAZAAR**

Presenter: Beatriz Torres, Marketing and Communications Director

Website: [Harlem Bazaar](#)

Harlem Bazaar bring together artists, merchants, creators, inventors, designers, and visionaries the Adam Clayton Powell Jr. State Office building plaza - 125th st. in Harlem, USA to share all the goodness with our thriving Uptown community and anyone from the greater New York. This bazaar is an flea market/ art exhibit held every 3rd Friday of the month, June - October, 3-9 pm.

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### **HARLEM HERITAGE**

Presenter: Catrina Prioleau, Managing Director

Website: [Harlem Heritage Now](#), [New Heritage Theatre Group](#)

Harlem Heritage Now promotes Harlem as a premier arts & culture destination and drives economic pathways for creative communities, local businesses, and residents. To subscribe to

Harlem Heritage Now and receive event updates on cultural activities happening in Harlem and citywide, visit the website at <https://harlemheritagenow.com/>

### **UNVEILED UNLOCKED/ ALEATHIA'S ORIGINAL ARTWORKS**

Presenter: Aleathia Brown - Founder

Website: [Unveiled Unlocked/ Aleathia's Original Artworks](#)

Unveiled Unlocked 2022 celebrates Aleathia's Artworks, 33 years ago today and the 10th anniversary of Unveiled Unlocked this month. Unveiled Unlocked's anniversary theme for 2022 is, *Honoring Our Crown...Finding New Directions*" The celebration will include creative presentations and on-stage performances at HARLEM WEEK's "A Great Day in Harlem" (Aug 20) and on "Harlem Day" (Aug. 21). The celebration will continue in the fall (October 7 - 10) with a 4 day virtual conference, "Unpacking Beauty in 7 Layers". For more information email [UnveiledUnlocked@gmail.com](mailto:UnveiledUnlocked@gmail.com) Follow us on: fb, instagram, twitter, LinkedIN during HARLEM WEEK

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Frederick Douglass Blvd Alliance - John Lynch - Open Streets

Imagination - Moikgantsi Kgama - Film Festival

Imagination programming will take place at various locations throughout the summer including HARLEM WEEK.

The Manhattan Community Board 10 - Arts and Culture Committee is now accepting requests for presentations through December 2023. All city agencies, cultural organizations, institutions and local artists seeking to make a presentation and/ or announcement please submit your request by completing the online [Presenter Form located on the CB10 website](#)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.