

Agenda

Oklahoma Arts Council Meeting | Thursday, October 23, 2025 | 9:30 a.m.

Chisholm Trail Heritage Center
2150 Chisholm Trail Pkwy., Duncan, OK 73533

1. Call to Order and Determination of Quorum
Barbara Braught, Chair, Oklahoma Arts Council
2. Welcome
Kristy Rochelle, Assistant Director, Chisholm Trail Heritage Center
3. Discussion and Possible Action on September 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes **Action**
Barbara Braught
4. Presentation and Discussion of Chair Report
Barbara Braught
5. Presentation and Discussion of Executive Director Report
Amber Sharples, Executive Director
6. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 grant applications
Barbara Braught
 - a. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 MGS grant application **Action**
Living Arts of Tulsa: Day of the Dead Festival (Grant A2-2502-13577)
 - b. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 MGS grant application **Action**
Oklahoma City Repertory Theater: 2025-2026 Season (Grant A2-2502-13523)
 - c. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 MGS grant application **Action**
Theatre North: The Colored Museum (Grant A2-2502-13579)
 - d. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 MGS grant application **Action**
Theatre North: Nat Turner in Jerusalem (Grant A2-2502-13543)
 - e. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 MGS grant application **Action**
Theatre North: Othello (Grant A2-2502-13533)
 - f. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 MGS grant application **Action**
University of Oklahoma: Between Streams (Grant A2-2502-13574)
 - g. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 Community Arts Experience **Action**
Grant application: Twisted Arts, Inc: Twisted Arts Film Festival (A25-2502-13422)
7. Facilitation and Discussion of Strategic Plan with Council and Staff
Chandra Boyd, Deputy Director
Molly Helm, Purple Ink Consulting

8. Lunch/Break
9. Facilitation and Discussion of Strategic Plan with Council and Staff (continued)
Molly Helm
10. Update and Possible Action on FY2022-2024 Agency Audit
April Kowardy, Finance Director **Action**
11. Discussion and Possible Action on America250 and Route 66
April Kowardy **Action**
12. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 Budget Update
April Kowardy **Action**
13. Update and Possible Action on ARPA Reallocation Plan
Thomas Tran, Grants Director **Action**
14. Discussion and Possible Action on gift of John Newsom's "Prairie Tales" from
Friends of the Oklahoma Arts Council to the Oklahoma Arts Council for the
Oklahoma State Art Collection
Jarica Walsh, Director of Visual and Public Art **Action**
15. Discussion and Possible Action on the gift of Mary Ellen and Howard L. Meredith
Collection to the Oklahoma State Art Collection
Jarica Walsh **Action**
16. Discussion and Possible Action on the gift of Mary Ellen and Howard L. Meredith
Collection for the Oklahoma State-Owned Art Collection
Jarica Walsh **Action**
17. Updates and Discussion of Collections Manager Report
Liam Larson, Collections Manager
18. Updates and Discussion on Public Art Program and Projects
Erin Latham, Director of Art in Public Places
19. Presentation and Possible Action on Teaching Artist Roster Candidate(s)
Jennifer Allen-Barron, Arts Education Director **Action**
20. Discussion and Possible Action on 2026 Council Meeting Dates
John Kennedy, Vice-Chair
March 11, 2026
June 18, 2026
October 8, 2026 **Action**
21. Adjourn

Optional but encouraged: A guided tour of the Chisholm Trail Heritage Center will be provided. The tour is for informational purposes only and no discussion or decisions regarding agency business will be made by the Council members or staff.

Note: The Council may discuss, table, defer, or vote to approve or disapprove or take appropriate action with respect to any agenda item. The sequence of the agenda may be changed at the Council's discretion.