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Dear CAN Partners,

It was great to see everyone last week—I was very excited to welcome so many new faces. Our network gets stronger as we grow! Thank you for all your outreach efforts!

Here is a recap of our discussions:

Discussion Points:

- Annique Bennett, Parks staff, gave further clarification on the suspended Arts & Culture Grants program. She assured the group that the County is in agreement on the importance of the grants program, however complicated code and system changes are needed to bring that program into compliance.
- We heard insight on how the City of Edmonds and Everett structure and fund their arts programs. Both of these cities have funding sources beyond the 1% for the arts, which allows them to be more flexible than the County.

Because the County cannot grant funding this year, Kari Johnson, Vice-Chair of the Arts Commission, compiled a list of other funding sources for non-profits, independent artists, and municipalities. Thank you, Kari! To find the links, please visit our webpage!

<https://www.snocoarts.org/funding-opportunities>

From the Arts Commission:

- Don't forget to check out our Arts & Culture Events calendar! We encourage the community to submit their events to be included!

From Laurie Rose (The City of Edmonds):

- The City of Edmonds Arts Commission is requesting qualifications from artists/graphic designers interested in creating designs for permanent cut metal banners to be attached to 14 existing street light poles in the Edmonds International District on Hwy 99. For more info: <https://www.edmondswa.gov/cms/one.aspx?portalId=16495016&pageId=17290831>
- Write on the Sound (WOTS) writers' conference Call for Proposals is open through March: https://www.edmondswa.gov/government/departments/cultural_services/write_on_the_sound

From Julie Kafkalidis (The Dance School):

- The Dance School is still enrolling for Spring Classes
- Mark your calendars for their free Student Performance on April 14th!
<https://www.thedanceschool.org/lovetodance/>

From Sherry Jennings (APEX):

- APEX is a new arts/music venue in Everett and they are looking for advice and

insight on capitol improvement funding. If anyone has experience with this type of project, please email Sherry at sherry@apexeverett.com

From Natalie Payne (Dance Cry Dance):

- Natalie is also new to the area, and recently started a new podcast, Dance Cry Dance, where musicians and writers collaborate. She is currently looking for more writers to be included in Season 2 of the podcast.
- For more info: <https://dancecrydance.com/>

From Gretchen Wilson-Prangley (Imagine Children's Museum):

- Imagine Children's Museum is always looking for ways to collaborate with the community. Please reach out to Gretchen if you are interested in learning more! gretchenwp@imaginecm.org

From Shelby Kremenich (U.S. Rep. Del Bene's Office):

- Each year House Members may honor one high school student from their districts by selecting a piece of artwork for inclusion in an exhibit at the U.S. Capitol. Please visit <https://www.congressionalinstitute.org/congressional-art-competition/> for more information

From Kari Quaas (The City of Everett):

- Save the Date! Please join us for our annual Wendt and Mayor's Arts Awards at the Everett Performing Arts Center on April 11 - <https://www.everettwa.gov/1299/Wendt-Mayors-Arts-Awards>
- The winners for 2023 are James Madison, DanVonique Bletson Reed, Sara Coiley, Christine Mitchell, and Ayana Uriu.
- Also, watch the King 5 Story about the Land Acknowledgment art dedication last week at the Everett Municipal Building - <https://www.king5.com/article/news/local/everett/everett-adds-coast-salish-sculpture-outside-municipal-building/281-ofecce14-6446-4eef-a721-74e330bd63a6>

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting! Thursday, March 28th at 11:00 AM!

Sincerely,

Kate

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Kate MacKenzie

Snohomish County Arts Commissioner

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