

Laurel Arts Council Meeting Agenda – March 11, 2026

at 6:30pm (in person)

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Preliminaries

1. Take Roll:
2. Determine Quorum:
3. VOTE: Approval of Feb. Minutes
4. Updates Membership & New Applicants (last mtg introduced Melissa Mawrer, Francesca Valencia)

Agenda:

1. News from City Government – Bill (DPR), Naomi (ECD)
 - Sustainability meeting, March 19th 6pm-8pm
2. Traffic Box Wrap Art Contest – Mel, Bharati, Ella – need volunteer
 - Promotion: Call for Artists + Submission Form online; sent to artists & promoters. FaceBook. DPR, ECD.
 - Issue: Deadline extended March 25. Need extend more.
 - Issues: Technical specs, artist fees. (cf. Hyattsville) – need info
 - Jury – 3 new LAC members; LAG members?
 - Issue: Evaluation method
 - Wrapping the boxes – 2 companies
 - Signarama (Don, local) can do the wraps – need bid.
 - Focus Fulfillment (Ted) wrapped 4 Laurel boxes 2023. Now preparing bid for 3 boxes
3. Preakness-themed Art Contest – Mel need volunteer
 - Promotion: Call for Artists + Submission Form online; emailed artists & promoters. FB & LBOT. DPR, ECD. PGAHC publishing.
 - Issues: Outreach. Artist fee (cf. PGAHC)
 - Jury – LAG Pres and VP. LAC?
 - Displaying the art
 - Transfer images to posters and/or windows up to 18x24" - Signarama (Don)
 - Venues - City spaces. Main Street?
 - Artist prizes - Lakefest?
4. Poems in Parks – Jennifer (with L4P)
 - Poetry workshop (Apr 11) – need volunteer
 - Poetry installation (Apr 18) – need volunteers
5. Schools – Mel
 - Scotchtown Hills playground mural – may need volunteer
 - Laurel High poetry workshop Apr 14. Request by teachers. Poet fee – need vote.
 - Pallotti Student Art Show, March 19, 3:30pm-6pm at Pallotti.
6. Main Street Festival May 2 – need volunteers + art event
7. Farmer's Market Music – Sandy, Melissa M
8. Maryland Pub TV films – Sandy, Jennifer
 - MPT Independent Lens pop-up, set up *Librarians* movie at Library, or elsewhere?
 - Volunteers?

9. Social Media – Need Instagram (many issues)
10. Writers' Group – Sandy – venue and flyer
11. October Ghost Walks – Sandy
12. City suggestions FY27 - July 4 (mural?), Multicultural Committee September festival (March 16).

Next Meeting: April 11, 2026 (virtual)

FY26 Budget Revised:

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| Box wraps (3) | <u>\$4500 + \$150</u> |
| Trashcan sealant | \$250 |
| Poetry sign & supplies | \$550 |
| 2 ESs (Scotchtown, Laurel) | \$1000 |
| Laurel HS, | \$500 ? 300? |
| Swag & misc for LAC | \$300 |
| Art supplies | \$400 |
| Farmer's Market music | \$4320 (Michele Blair) -> 1/3 of our budget |
| Main St Festival artists | \$2500 -> \$2000 |
| Preakness Art | \$750 ? |
| Selborne House art expo | \$150 |