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**The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan
Arts Committee**

Thursday, November 21, 2024 – 6:30 PM

This meeting was conducted via Zoom

Board Members Present: Gayle Baron, Alida Camp, Sahar Husain, Addeson Lehv, Rita Popper, Peggy Price, and Robin Seligson.

Approximate Number of Public Attendees: 5

Minutes:

Item 1: Debriefing of September Arts Show

The Arts Committee considered feedback from the September Arts Show. We noted the more than 100 exhibitors and the consistent stream of shoppers. We agreed to wear an identifier, such as a name tag, to make it easier for artists to identify CB8M Committee members.

Item 2: Discussion of potential February Crafts Show

The Committee then considered whether to have a winter indoor and summer outdoor show or two warm-weather outdoor shows. We agreed that we would try two outdoor shows because it has been difficult to draw enough foot traffic and exhibitors have a more difficult time lining up in the cold waiting to be checked in. There is no room for them to bring their tables, crafts, and art into spaces in advance of the time to set up. The Spring Show is scheduled for May 31, 2025 (rain date June 1). The Fall Show is scheduled for October 4 (rain date October 5). Requests for art submissions will be sent out in March. The term Art Show encompasses arts and crafts.

There was further discussion of the most productive ways to publicize the Shows.

Item 3: Discussion of other Arts Committee projects

Stephen Pierson of ArtBridge updated the Committee on the project to place art on the Memorial Sloan-Kettering construction fence. Students from P.S. 183 will create art to be on the fence from approximately January to October 2025, with art from seniors at Lenox Hill Neighborhood House on the following construction fence iteration.

Item 4: Old Business

No items of old business were discussed.

Item 4: New Business

Alida noted that Paul Taylor Dance Company provided free tickets for NYCHA residents to attend performances at Lincoln Center in November.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Alida Camp, Chair