Call to Order

1. Public Appearances: The Tempe Arts & Culture Commission (Commission) welcomes public comment. According to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, the Commission may only discuss matters listed on its meeting agendas. Matters brought-up by the public under public appearances that are not listed on the meeting agenda cannot be discussed by the Commission. A three (3)-minute time limit per person will be in effect.

2. Approval: March 13, 2019 Tempe Arts & Culture Commission Minutes ACTION

3. Commissioner Introductions

4. Chairperson’s Briefing

5. Presentation: Public Art Update

6. Program Reports: Written reports provided
   a. Arts Engagement
   b. Public Art & Galleries
   c. History Museum
   d. Tempe Center for the Arts

7. Commissioners’ Announcements / Future Agenda Items

8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: May 8, 2019, 6:30pm, location to be determined.
Minutes of the Tempe Arts and Culture Commission (TACC) recorded at 6pm on March 13, 2019, within the Tempe Center for the Arts Carter Lounge, 700 W Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe 85281.

(MEMBERS) Present:
Lisa Hobson
Anthony Johnson
Maureen Kobierowski
Kiyomi Kurooka
Peggy Moroney
Kelly Nelson
Michael Rohd (arrived at 6:43pm)
Justin Stewart
Ginny Sylvester

City Staff Present:
Eileen May, General Manager-Tempe Center for the Arts
Joy Higgins, Administrative Assistant-Arts & Culture Division

Guest(s) Present:
None

(MEMBERS) Absent:
Aaron Thacker – Chair

Call to Order
• Kiyomi Kurooka, TACC Vice-chair, called the TACC meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Agenda Item 1 – Public Appearances
• Members of Unity Through Community, Matthew James, Roni Marie, and Travis Ryder, introduced their organization, mission and upcoming projects. www.unitythroughcommunity.org
• Don Voles introduced himself as a member of the community interested in arts and culture.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the February 13, 2018 Commission Minutes
K. Kurooka asked the commissioners to review an unapproved TACC minutes document dated February 13, 2018.

• MOTION: Kelly Nelson moved to approve the February 13, 2019 Tempe Arts and Culture Commission Meeting Minutes with amendments.
SECOND: Justin Stewart seconded.
AYES: Lisa Hobson, Anthony Johnson, Maureen Kobierowski, Kiyomi Kurooka, Kelly Nelson, Peggy Moroney, Justin Stewart, Ginny Sylvester
NAYS: None
RESULT: Motion passed with an 8-0 vote.
ABSENT: Michael Rohd, Aaron Thacker

Agenda Item 3 – Discussion: Review nominee recommendations for Tempe Arts & Culture Awards
• Joy Higgins, Administrative Assistant, introduced the list of recommended Tempe Arts & Culture Award recipients and the category for each. Awardees were selected based on significant impact to arts and culture in Tempe. Recommended award recipients and categories are:
  o Cultural Connector-Evan Liggins
Agenda Item 4 – Approval: Selected recipients of Tempe Arts & Culture Awards
K. Kurooka asked the commissioners to approve the recommended recipients of 2019 Tempe Arts & Culture Awards.

- **MOTION:** Justin Stewart moved to approve the recommended recipients of 2019 Tempe Arts & Culture Awards.
- **SECOND:** Anthony Johnson seconded.
- **AYES:** Lisa Hobson, Anthony Johnson, Maureen Kobierowski, Kiyomi Kurooka, Kelly Nelson, Peggy Moroney, Justin Stewart, Ginny Sylvester, Michael Rohd
- **NAYS:** None
- **RESULT:** Motion passed with an 9-0 vote.
- **ABSENT:** Aaron Thacker

Agenda Item 5 – Update: Consultants for Tempe Center for the Arts

- **Eileen May,** General Manager of TCA, described the consultation efforts to be completed by **AMS Planning & Research** which specializes in the arts and entertainment industries. Details include:
  - AMS is contracted for two years to help build marketing, business, operational, and staffing plans for the TCA.
  - They have conducted a two-day site visit at TCA (with Three-Fold Marketing, a branch of AMS) and conducted interviews with many staff to gather information.
  - If any commissioner wishes to interview with AMS please email Eileen, Eileen_may@tempe.gov.
  - More details on the next steps will be given at a future TACC meeting.

Agenda Item 6 – Program Reports: Written reports provided:

- **A. Public Art & Galleries** – Current events can be found in the written report and at [www.tempe.gov/publicart](http://www.tempe.gov/publicart) and [www.tempe.gov/tcagallery](http://www.tempe.gov/tcagallery).
- **B. History Museum** – Current events can be found in the written report and at [www.tempe.gov/museumevents](http://www.tempe.gov/museumevents).
- **C. Tempe Center for the Arts** – Current events can be found in the written report and at [www.tempecenterforthearts.com](http://www.tempecenterforthearts.com).
- **D. Arts Engagement** - Current events can be found in the written report and at [www.tempe.gov/arts](http://www.tempe.gov/arts) and [www.tempe.gov/ednaarts](http://www.tempe.gov/ednaarts).

Agenda Item 7 – Commission Members’ Announcements/Future Agenda Items

- **Justin Stewart:**
  - Tempe Screened on March 30th at 5:30pm in the Studio at Tempe Center for the Arts. Justin Stewart’s film co-production with Evan Liggins is an experimental documentary about Tempe. The evening will also feature live music and a post-film discussion panel. Trailers are on social media.
  - Tempe Art-a-Gogh-Gogh Final Friday event on March 29th at Yucca Tap Room.
  - Suggested agenda item: Ways to incentivize local artists to apply for large public art projects.
  - Suggested agenda item: using Tempe Innovation Funds to create an app or website to connect Tempe artists to learn about opportunities and share ideas with each other.

- **Kelly Nelson:**
  - IDEA campus will be including art as a requirement of the Art in Private Development ordinance. The developer has choses two local artists to contribute in planning and designing projects within the campus.
  - Suggested agenda item: invite Rebecca Blume Rothman to provide IDEA public art details.
  - Kelly will be performing at the Arts in the Parks event at Scudder Park on Friday, March 22nd at 6:45pm with the acapella group Wicked Pitch of the West.

- **Michael Rohd:**
Choreographer Camille Brown performing for one night at Gammage Theater on Saturday, March 16th at 7:30pm as part of the Beyond Series.

**Agenda Item 9 – Adjournment**
- Next meeting: April 10, 2019, location to be determined.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.

Prepared By: Joy Higgins
Tempe Arts Engagement
April-May 2019

Free Art Friday
April 5 | 9-11am
May 3 | 9-11 am
Edna Viheal Arts Center
Free family-friendly
program for children and
parents to experience
learning and creating
together.

Classes at Edna Arts
www.tempe.gov/EdnaArts
Summer classes &
camps are now open for
registration with over
70 classes in ceramics,
dance, theater, painting,
and more!

Tempe Playlist
www.tempe.gov/tempeplaylist
Two podcasts are now live
and available to stream or
download on the website.
They feature 11 bands, 3
poets, 7 musicians, and 5
school groups from South
Tempe.
A grant has been received
for Year 2 to host community events
showcasing the artists on the podcasts. First live event is on Monday, April 29th from 6-7pm at Changing Hands Bookstore.

State of the Neighborhoods
After the Arts & Culture
Awards are presented on
April 13, head over to Edna Arts for a workshop with public artist, Kylan Maney,
where you will be able to decorate your own flowerpot with syprograph art.

Studio Artists Program
www.tempe.gov/studioartists
Each year, the Studio Artists Program provides visual arts education to over 4,500 students and supports the careers of 6 professional artists. The program is a partnership between Tempe Elementary District #3 and the City of Tempe and is supported by State Farm through Art in Private Development funding from 2016-2021. Champ Styles was recently hired to be the artist for 5th Grade students.

Arts in the Parks
www.tempe.gov/ArtsintheParks
1750 people have attended the first four Arts in the Parks in March at Meyer, Scudder, Clark, and Svob Parks where they participated in art-making, community murals, live music, poetry, music jams, and experienced temporary public art.
Upcoming events:
- Goodwin Park: Sat., April 6, 5-9pm
- Papago Park: Sun., April 14, Noon-4 pm
Bring arts to your park!
The community survey is now available on the website, share with your friends and neighbors to bring the program to you.

Playday
March 24 @ Kiwanis Park
Edna Arts staff brought fun and play to the 3,000+ attendees creating hands-on arts activities and sharing information about Arts & Culture programs.
**Arts Grants**

The City of Tempe Arts Grants program supports non-profit organizations, schools and individual artists by providing funding for community-initiated, quality and innovative arts programming, and creates opportunities that support the long-term growth of the arts in Tempe. The Arts Grants program supports a commitment to advancing Tempe as a vibrant and progressive community for cultural and artistic activity.

- Grants Due May 13th
- Community Arts Grants
- TCA Excellence Grants
- Arts Festival Grants

**Vibrant Artist Cohort**

Applications are now being accepted from individual performance-based artists to join the cohort where they will advance their creative careers, deepen their administrative skills, and receive funding to create a project in Tempe.

**EDGE Happy Hour**

TCA | 5:30-7:30 pm

- Apr 5 – Sammi Martinez
- Apr 6 – Josh Bierman
- April 12 – Universal Love
- April 13 – I Am Root
- April 19 – Flamenco por la Vida
- April 20 – Tatiana Crespo
- April 26 – Escargot Jazz
- April 27 – Musa Mind
- May 3 – Flat 9: Allstars
- May 4 – Jaleo Latin Music

**EDGE+**

This year, Tempe Arts and Culture worked with local artists to forge strong relationships with community, provide mentorship for emerging event organizers, and offer programming to engage and invite new and diverse communities to the Tempe Center for the Arts. Two upcoming events:

**Universal Love**

April 12 | 5:30-9 pm | TCA

We intertwine fashion, dance, and poetry in a partnership with Tempe Center for the Arts and model, dancer, choreographer, and influencer, Shannon Phillips. If you enjoy fashion, art, dance, live music, drinks and networking, you don’t want to miss this event featuring fashion designs in shades of pink by both established designers and students, as well as dance, poetry and music by Astronaut DJs.

**Tempe Screened**

March 30 | 5:30-9:30 pm | TCA

115 people attended Tempe Screened where they got an up-close and personal account of the different lives that reside in Tempe, and how those lives interact and contribute to the culture of Tempe. The event featured music, an interactive panel including residents of Tempe that participated in the making of the film, and an original film screening created by and for Tempeans, produced by Justin Stewart and Evan Liggins.
Tempe Public Art
March 2019

Streetcar
https://www.valleymetro.org/project/tempe-streetcar
- Track and groundwork has begun. As for the stations, Notice to Proceed is expected to be issued in spring 2019. The stops and then artwork would be installed in summer/fall 2020 and revenue service would begin in 2021.

![Rio Salado – Koryn Rolstad](Image)

![Mill Avenue – Ben Olmsted and Simon Donovan](Image)

![Gammage curve – Mary Lucking](Image)

![Apache – Bobby Zokaites](Image)

Highline Canal
Artist: John Fleming

- Fabrication has begun! It is expected that installation will occur in May 2019
- The Highline project is expected to be completed by June 2019
IN FLUX
Influxaz.com

- Tempe Beach Park Plinth and Daley Park Plinths: Artist: Daniel Foushee (beach Park) and Perrin Gilbert (Daley Park). Both pieces will remain up for the next year through April 2020, allowing us to focus on sculpture for next FY as a theme in the temporary projects
- Artist Kyllan Maney has installed her work at the Edna Vihel Arts Center and will be teaching a workshop at the State of the Neighborhood Event on April 13th at Edna Arts.
- The IN FLUX bus tour will take place on April 27th. Tickets are available through Artlink here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/in-flux-cycle-8-tours-tickets-59845861583

Arts in the Parks
www.tempe.gov/artsintheharks

- Artist Ann Morton will create a piece for an event at Goodwin Park, April 6th in the evening
- Artist Erin Sotak will create a performative piece for Papago Park, April 14th in the afternoon

McCIntock Rio Salado Underpass

- Artist Zach Valent (AZ) has begun the design process for the McClintock Underpass
- The design is intended to be created out of aluminum or steel bolted to the wall with concrete relief elements in the center of the “honeycomb” areas
- The design is currently on hold pending the contracting of the General Contractor for the overall project. Design and fabrication will take place through the spring of 2019 assuming contractor is able to begin working as planned.

Conservation / Maintenance
Public Art works that have been recently refurbished or will are currently in process include:
1. 12 purple Benches, former TCA – in process
2. Titled Landscape at the Tempe Library Complex - being reviewed now
3. Sirens on the 60 – currently under renovation

Neighborhood Grants (Arts)
www.tempe.gov/neighborhoodgrants
Three neighborhood associations have been awarded Public Art related grants through the Mary Anne Corder Grant program this cycle. All are meeting with the artists now and beginning to develop concepts.
1. Daley Park – Artist: Jake Early, 2 standpipes
2. Hudson Manor – Artist: Joan Baron, 3 standpipes
3. Broadmor – Artist: Nina Solomon, 1 standpipe

We have an “extra” project this year due to the generosity of DL Horton, a developer who through Council review process has agreed to pay for an additional art standpipe. Artist Oliverio Balcells will be completing a tile mosaic in the Wilson Arts and Gardens Neighborhood this spring. He was selected by the neighborhood association through the prequalified artist list.

Art in Private Development
www.tempe.gov/AIPD
These projects are in various stages of design and completion. Those listed do not include developments that have opted to pay in lieu of developing an artwork on their site:
1. Beyond Self Storage – Artist: Daniel Moore, project is in design
2. Discovery Business Campus – Artist: Ilan Averbuch, Phase II is in the works, at an early design phase level.
3. The Grand at Papago Park Center – Artist: Mary Lucking, in design and installed in part
4. Guitar Center/Emerald Center – Artist: Theodore Troxel, project completion is expected in spring 2019
5. IDEA campus – Project artist selection is in process now, expected to begin art design in spring 2019
6. 100 Mill Ave (+ Rio Salado) - early stage, no artist selected yet
7. Precision Fleet – Artist: David Brandt is working with this property owner, concepts will be submitted soon. Will require TACC Liaison for review committee.
8. RIO 2100 – Artist: David Brandt, multi-phased project in design and fabrication now
9. RKAA Self Storage/ Cube Smart – Artist: Brain Schader, currently in permitting process
10. Tempe Market Station – early stage, no artist selected yet
11. Watermark – Artist: Joe Campbell, under construction now
12. The Westin – no artist selected yet
13. 7th Street Mixed-Use/OPUS – Artist: John Randall Nelson, no review yet. Will require TACC Liaison for review committee.
14. LA Fitness/Baseline 101 Storage – early stage, no artist selected yet
15. 206 S Farmer – early stage, no artist selected yet
16. Playa del Norte – early stage, no artist selected yet
17. University Business Campus – early stage, no artist selected yet
18. 6th street Hotel – early stage, no artist selected yet

www.tempe.gov/publicart
Tempe Galleries
Spring 2019

**Gallery at TCA:**

*Retro Reaction*

January 18-May 11, 2109
Exhibition features 10 AZ artists. Mark your calendars for these upcoming programs!

**Heidi Abrahamson**
Friday Night Salon
April 19 | 6-8pm | Gallery
Beer tasting and 80s Memphis Style discussion with the artist

Saturday Workshop
April 20 | 11 am-2 pm | Free | Gallery | All Ages
Studio demonstration and 80s jewelry inspired activity

**Post Office**

*Retro Reaction II*
January 25 – May 29, 2019
Artists: Lex Gjurasic, Adam Mendelsohn, Kristin Bauer, George Penaloz

**Connections Café**

*A Thousand Words*
January 4 – May 1, 2019
Artist Pairing: Nicholas Mansfield and Tom Stephenson

**Youth Library**

*GIRL POWER: Sisters of the Technological Revolution*
February 15 – June 3, 2019
Artists: Susan Prosser and Malena Barnhart

**UPCOMING:**

New STEAM Youth Library art workshops coming soon!

**The Gallery at TCA Summer 2019:**

**WATER**
May 24-August 31, 2109
Opening reception | May 31 | 6 pm
The water theme is open-ended and is expected to include artworks that reflect a wide range of topics such as water in the desert, sustainability, mythology, history, science, beauty and more.

**DRAW-A-Thon**
Sat | June 22 | 10 am-10 pm

[www.tempecenterforthearts.com/gallery](http://www.tempecenterforthearts.com/gallery)
Tempe History Museum is a place where the community comes together to explore Tempe’s past, share its present and imagine its future. Our vision is to be a stimulating public forum acting as a catalyst for lively dialogue.

PERFORMANCES at the MUSEUM

**Dusty Ramblers Project**

**Apr 5 | 7 p.m.**

“I’ll be Ms. Lindy and you will be the Dusty Ramblers.” That’s how it all started somewhere around 2013, when Lindy Hamilton, an 8-year-old country/bluegrass singer was sitting in with longtime friends and guitar players Mark McDowell and Ted Brown at a gig they were playing. The free-range, organic music was the general rule, and fit the moniker of The Dusty Ramblers Project. What emerged were some creative and fun originals with a perfect blend of blues, bluegrass, swing and rock covers. The Dusty Ramblers write songs about some of the most fun and obvious things in life: tie dye shirts, old cars, dressing up and life experiences. Experience this unique mix of material and musicians and talk to band members during a Q&A session after the show. This performance is free, family-friendly and open to the public.

**Tempe Historical Society Lunch Talks**

**Ghost Towns: Specters of the Past by Jay Mark**

**Apr 10 | 11:30 a.m.**

Historian Jay Mark’s career includes stints as an antiques & bookstore owner, commercial photographer, and professional theater, radio and television host. He brings a lifetime of knowledge to his lively and engaging presentations. A regular contributor of history-related articles to the Antique Register, Arizona Contractor & Community, and The Arizona Republic, Jay is also a published writer of seven antiques-related books and co-author of a history of the Buckhorn Baths in Mesa. A recipient of numerous awards honoring his service to the community, Jay remains actively engaged in issues relating to historic preservation, history, museums, public transportation and urban planning. Admission is free, with coffee and light refreshments provided.

**The African American Advisory Committee Presents**

**AAAC Book Club – Becoming by Michelle Obama**

**Apr 16 | 6 p.m.**

This is the second of three session for reading and discussing the book “Becoming” by Michelle Obama. Book club members may join at any time. Meetings are free and held at Tempe History Museum. Discussions are facilitated AAAC member Carol Stewart.
3rd Thursday at the Museum
An Evening with TIDES OF INDIA 2019 featuring “What Washed Ashore: Art Forms of India”
Apr 18 | 7 p.m.
Join Swarna Sitaraman as she presents an exhibit of some of the art forms of India. She will lead an interactive workshop and demonstration of one of the art forms for participants. Enjoy some of the best local dessert and coffee and a guaranteed fun evening. The program is free and open to the public; donations are always welcome.

Performances at the Museum
Darkness Dear Boy
Mar 23 | 7 p.m.
The Lonesome Wilderness is a Phoenix-based rock band, formed in 2011. Members include Joe Golten, his time-traveling brother Paul, rocknrolla Andrea Custer and Baron Brian Weis. They originally drew their sound from surf, punk and 1960s influences, but while their backs were turned, some southwestern dust seeped under the door. You can find them playing shows on ramshackle stages in dirt lots, backyards and dark bars – or occasionally at a local museum. Meet the band in a QnA session after the show. The public is welcome to this free, fun and family-friendly performance.

SAVE THE DATE: New Featured Exhibition Coming in May!
Walking Mill Avenue
Exhibit Opening
A New Look at Tempe’s Main Street
May 14 | 6:30 p.m.
Horse-parking was a must-have feature at all the very best 1890s Tempe saloons. There were public parades that celebrated diversity long before Tempe was a city or Arizona a state. And, of course, there was that one time two wacky Gila monsters got in a fight and trashed a downtown bar. Discover these stories and many more at the Tempe History Museum’s new feature exhibit, Walking Mill Avenue, opening on May 14.

An opening night celebration will take place on Tuesday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free. The Tempe History Museum is located at 809 E. Southern Ave. Information is at www.tempe.gov/museum.
**TCA Presents Tony Jackson**
**Apr 6 | 7:30 pm | $24 & $35**
To put it plainly, Jackson is one of the most gifted singers ever to grace country music. The respect Jackson has already earned within the music community is evident throughout *Tony Jackson*, as his new album is titled. It features songs and/or performances by Rock and Roll Hall of Fame members John Sebastian, Steve Cropper and Dr. John “Mac” Rebennack, Country Music Hall of Famers Vince Gill, Bill Anderson and Conway Twitty and Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame luminary Norro Wilson.

**Tempe Symphony Orchestra – Season Finale**
**Apr 8 | 7:30 pm | Free**
Claude Debussy (1862-1918): Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun
Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904): Symphony Nr. 9 in E minor, Op. 95 “from the New World”

**Tempe Winds presents All About Sports (And Other Pastimes)**
**Apr 9 | 7:30 pm | $3 students / $5 Adults / FREE Children 12 and under**
The wind ensemble will take a musical look at how we spend our free time; from watching our favorite sports to travelling, horseback riding, or maybe even camping. The ensemble will be playing rodeo music too but please leave your spurs at home.

**Arizona Wind Symphony presents Wild About Harry**
**Apr 11 | 7:00 pm | $7 & $10**
Arizona Wind Symphony is a 75-member community concert ensemble consisting of music professionals, non-professionals and students. The symphony is conducted by William J. Richardson, a dedicated Arizona music educator with more than 30 years of conducting.

**Stray Cat Theatre presents Let the Right One In**
**Apr 12 – May 4 | $25 - $40**
Jack Thorne’s (Harry Potter and the Cursed Child) visceral adaptation of *Let the Right One In* is an enchanting, brutal vampire myth and coming-of-age love story, adapted from the best-selling novel and award-winning film.

**Retro Reaction**
**Jan 18 – May 11, 2019**
The word “retro” describes things like clothes, cars and music that reflect styles and design elements from the past. Artists are often asked, where do you get your ideas? While the creative spark is different for every individual, this exhibition explores the inspirations and art making processes of ten Arizona-based artists. Through personal retrospection, these artists give us a glimpse into how each of them absorbs, filters and reacts to ideas from the past to make relevant work in today’s rapidly changing world.

**Exhibiting Artists:** Heidi Abrahamson, Bob Allen, Malena Barnhart, Kristin Bauer, Fausto Fernandez, Angela Johnson, Jacob Meders, Rembrandt Quiballo, Kazuma Sambe and Henry Schoebel.

**Heidi Abrahamson**
**Friday Night Salon**
**Apr 19 | 6-8 pm | Free | Gallery**
Beer tasting and ’80s Memphis Style discussion with the artist

**Saturday Workshop**
**Apr 20 | 11 am-2 pm | Free | Gallery | All Ages**
Studio demonstration and ’80s jewelry-inspired activity

**Hayden’s Ferry Chamber Music Series presents Telegraph Quartet**
**Apr 14 | 2:30 pm | $10 Student / $30 adult**
Winners of the prestigious 2016 Walter Naumburg Chamber Music Award, the Telegraph Quartet plays Mozart, Berg and Ravel.

**Corona del Sol High School**
**Steel Drum Band and Jazz Band Concert**
**Apr 17 | 7:00 pm | $10**
Drum Band and Jazz Band will be putting on a unique concert of calypso, jazz and pop music. The band will be performing with steel pan artist Liam Teague.
ASU Symphony Orchestra presents  
Stravinsky and Wagner  
Apr 18 | 7:30 pm | $12 Adults / Students FREE  
The ASU Symphony brings the 2018-19 season to a close with Petrushka, Stravinsky’s second masterpiece written for Diaghilev's Ballets Russes, depicting the deadly love triangle between puppets who suddenly come to life. The first half presents some of Wagner’s most inspired music from his greatest operas featuring ASU’s own Gordon Hawkins and Stephanie Weiss.

Lakeshore Music presents  
Veronica Swift Quartet with Benny Green  
Apr 20 | 7:30 pm | $40  
Veronica Swift, at 23, is a sizzling young talent. She headlined Telluride Jazz Festival in 2016, her 10th appearance. She played Jazz at Lincoln Center by 11. Benny Green has played with the most celebrated artists of the last half century and is an exciting hard-swinging, hard-bop pianist.

Performance with a View: Herberger String Quartet: Michael DiBarry, Chino Soberano, Kim Hankins & Jennifer Son  
Apr 23 | 10:00 am | Free  
Scottsdale Musical Theater Company presents  
Thoroughly Modern Millie  
Apr 25 – May 5 | $42 - $58  
Takes yourself back to the height of the 1920s Jazz Age in New York City, when “moderns,” including a flapper named Millie Dillmount, were bobbing their hair, raising their hemlines, entering the workforce and rewriting the rules of love. This high-spirited musical romp, starring Tony award winner Jennifer Holliday, is a delightful valentine to the styles, music, dance and nostalgia of a long-forgotten era.

The Bridge Initiative presents  
The Bechdel Test FEST 2.0  
Apr 26 – Apr 28 | $10 - $35  
Festival of new play readings and short films that pass the Bechdel Test: 2 female characters, who speak to each other, about something other than a man.

May

DEBx  
May 9 | 6:00 pm | $30  
On May 9th, 16 aspiring speakers will take the stage to share their personal and inspirational messages. These individuals are not professional speakers. They are regular people, like you and me, who have a commitment to make a difference in our world and see public speaking as their access.

Tempe Diablos presents  
Excellence in Education Awards 2019  
May 10 | 7:30 | FREE  
Every year the Diablos award scholarships to deserving students and award teachers for their excellence in the classroom.

Miss Gay Arizona America 2019  
May 11 | TBD  

Makan Foundation presents  
Kaveh Karandish Live in Concert  
May 12 | 5 pm | $25 & $35  
Performance with a View – Eterna Sirius: Jessica Yam and Elias-Axel Pettersen  
May 14 | 10:00 am  
Guest artist Elias-Axel Pettersson joins ASU faculty member Jessica Yam to perform duo piano music by Saint-Saëns, Rachmaninoff, and Lutoslawski.

Lakeshore Music presents  
The Return of The Bonedaddys  
May 18 | 7:30 pm | $20 - $30  
Fasten your seat belts for what promises to be a rollicking Lakeshore Music season finale with The Return of The Bonedaddys. The Bonedaddys still take a wide stance stylistically, claiming influences from Charles Ives to Burl Ives and much in-between, with the common musical denominator being a fun, danceable party ambience.

Arizona Wind Symphony – An Afternoon of Chamber Music: featuring the Paradise Winds  
May 19 | 2:00 pm | FREE

WATER  
May 24 – Aug 31 | TCA Gallery  
This juried exhibition explores the theme of water in the desert and the will include Arizona-based artists working in a variety of media and sub themes including sustainability, science and technology, beauty and mythology.

Painted Words Presented By, Jenny Jarnagin  
May 25 - May 26 | 7:00PM | $18 - $20  
Inspired by Jarnagin’s album, Magic, Painted Words depicts love’s many complexities through music, art, and dialogue.
June

Cactus Chamber Music Series presents
Musical Nationalism
June 2 | 3 pm | $15
Serenade for Strings, Antonin Dvorak
Appalachia Waltz, Mark O’Connor
Chamber Symphony, Dimitri Shostakovich

Grand Canyon Men’s Chorale
June 15 | 7:00
June 16 | 2:00

DRAW-A-Thon
June 22 | 10 am - 10 pm | FREE
A one-day celebration of all things drawing.

WBFF Arizona Fitness and Fashion Spectacular
June 29 | 5:00
The WBFF strives for international recognition as an industry leader by providing the best opportunities for contestants and models to compete, supporting our partners and effectively promoting health and fitness.