

Memorandum



Date: July 15, 2025

To: Chair and Members
Art in Public Places Trust

From: Marialaura Leslie, Director
Department of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-38 / FY 24-25 South Florida Cultural Consortium (SFCC) Art Acquisitions

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RESOLUTION APPROVING PROFESSIONAL ARTIST SERVICES AGREEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED WITH THE FOLLOWING NINE (9) MIAMI-DADE BASED ARTISTS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AMOUNTS, RECIPIENTS OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM (SFCC) AWARDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025:

#	FY 24-25 SFCC ARTISTS	Acquisition Amount
1	Brian Mark Delmont (Mark Delmont)	\$ 6,600.00
2	LBV FILMS, LLC (Rachelle Salnave)	\$ 6,600.00
3	Lauren Shapiro LLC (Lauren Shapiro)	\$ 6,600.00
4	Elliot & Erik, LLC (Elliot and Erik Jiminez)	\$ 6,600.00
5	Onajide Shabaka Art LLC (Onajide Shabaka)	\$ 6,600.00
6	Nina Surel LLC (Nina Surel)	\$ 6,600.00
7	Diana Larrea Studio LLC (Diana Larrea)	\$ 6,600.00
8	Amana Linares LLC (Amanda Linares)	\$ 6,600.00
9	Lisu Vega	\$ 6,600.00
Total Recommended Acquisition Amount:		\$ 59,400.⁰⁰

FOR A COMBINED TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$59,400.00 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ARTWORKS FOR THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COLLECTION (FROM DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS FY 2024-2025 SFCC ART ACQUISITION GRANT FUNDS)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Art in Public Places Trust approve Professional Artist Services Agreement in substantially the form attached with the following nine (9) Miami-Dade based artists in their respective amounts, recipients of the South Florida Cultural Consortium Awards for FY 2024-2025:

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Background

The South Florida Cultural Consortium Grant Program (SFCC) offers one of the largest regional, government-sponsored artists' grants in the United States, awarding \$15,000 and \$7,500 grants to resident visual and media artists from the counties of Broward, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach. Since it was established in 1988, the Consortium has awarded more than \$4 million in grants to more than 300 artists. In addition to receiving the grant, the artists take part in an exhibition hosted and organized by a visual arts institution in one of the five counties. The SFCC is governed by a board made up of the directors of the cultural affairs departments from the five member counties.

Each year, more than 300 artists who live and work throughout the five counties submit their applications for consideration to the South Florida Cultural Consortium's Grants Program for Visual and Media Artists. The recipients are selected through a two-tier competitive review panel process which includes the participation of regional and national arts experts. The national panel also recommends whether selected artists receive the fellowship at the \$15,000 level or the \$7,500 level. The national panel's recommendations are reviewed and ratified by the South Florida Cultural Consortium and approved by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

Since 2019, the Art Acquisition Grant Program acquires artwork by Miami-Dade based SFCC winners to accession into the Miami-Dade County Art in Public Places Collection. The annual acquisition award is equally divided among all winning artists for the given year.

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At the March 25, 2025, meeting of the SFCC, the FY 2024-2025 SFCC budget was adopted, including \$60,000.00 for the Art Acquisition Program. The funding for this program is included in the Department's grants budget and authorized by Miami-Dade County **Ordinance No. O-24-102**.

Artworks will be selected for acquisition and accession into the APP collection by Amanda Sanfilippo Long, APP Program's Curator and Artists Manager. Mrs. Sanfilippo Long also serves as the director of the SFCC and her familiarity with the artists' work is instrumental to the successful selection process for this annual grant program. The criteria for selection of artworks consider the fair market price for the recommended acquisitions and the current value of the work of each artist. The acquisition amount also covers expenses for handling, framing, signage, and delivery of the works to the Art in Public Places offices. The recommended artworks for accession in the APP collection will be provided as an informational update to the Trust once the final artworks are selected.

APP staff recommends the approval of Trust Resolution No. APPT 25-38 authorizing Professional Artist Services agreements in substantially the form attached with each of the following (9) Miami-Dade-based winners of the South Florida Cultural Consortium for FY 2024-2025, in the contract amount of \$6,600.00 each:

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