

MEMORANDUM – COMMISSION ON CULTURAL AFFAIRS

TO:	City Council
FROM:	Office of Boards & Commissions
DATE:	June 01, 2024
PURPOSE:	Appointment For Commission on Cultural Affairs
PROCESS:	Mayor's Approval
NEXT STEPS:	City Council Confirmation

Staff Liaison:

Tariana Nava-Nieves, Arts & Venues

CURRENT BOARD STATUS

Scope of Board/Commission: : The Denver Commission on Cultural Affairs (DCCA) was established in 1991 to support the Mayor and act as an advisory board for Denver Arts & Venues. The Commissioners serve as trustees of Denver’s Cultural Plan and oversee the 1% for Public Art Program. This program enacted into Ordinance by Denver City Council in 1991, directs that 1% of any city-funded capital improvement project over \$1 million is set aside for the inclusion of art, so the collection continues to grow each year. Over \$40 million has been invested in the public art collection, along with historic and donated works of art, providing opportunity for Denver residents to experience art in public places.

Appointment Process: Mayor appoints 24 members to this Commission for a term of three years. City Council confirms.

Mayor Mike Johnston has appointed:

Daisy McGowan (Female)(Caucasian)



BIO Daisy McGowan, Executive Director of Think 360 Arts for Learning is a non-profit administration and fundraising professional, educator, curator, author, artist and mother. She has been a leader in the arts and arts education in Colorado for over twenty-five years. McGowan previously served as director for the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs (UCCS) Galleries of Contemporary Art from 2010-2022, where she led the program through a period of tremendous growth and impact on the entire Rocky Mountain west region. McGowan was awarded her Bachelor of Studio Art from Colorado College and Master of Public Administration, with a focus on arts administration, from the University of Colorado. As an educator, she has taught at the university level for nearly twenty years including studio art and museum studies and gallery practice, as well as K-12 arts education.

Term: 07/01/2024 – 06/30/2027 or until a successor is duly appointed.

Paola Correa-Nava	08/31/2026
Benjamin Chavez	08/31/2025
Joshua Margolin	08/31/2025
Alicia Trujillo	08/31/2026
Tran Nguyen-Wills	08/31/2026
Viniyanka Prasad	08/31/2025
Aisha Ahmad-Post	08/31/2024
Marisa Hollingsworth	08/31/2026
Jada Dixon	08/31/2024
Such Charles	08/31/2026
Lisa Kennedy	08/31/2026
Liz Macy	08/31/2024
Heather Nielsen	08/31/2024
Rachel Garcia	08/31/2026
Alexis Moore	08/31/2025
Damon McLeese	08/31/2026
Kevin Smith	08/31/2025
Dan Manzanares	08/31/2024
Alfredo Reyes	08/31/2024
Mike McClung	08/31/2024
Ricard Acosta	08/31/2024
Sarah Hogan	08/31/2024