

City of Osawatomie

2024
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***Arts
Commission
Strategic
Plan***

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Overview

Established in 2022, the Osawatomie Arts Commission is a seven-member board led by a Chairman and Vice Chairman, with assistance from a designated City of Osawatomie staff liaison and appointed City Council liaison. Members meet monthly to review community art programming, project fundraising, and other public art-related goals.





Mission Statement

To gather unique perspectives and opportunities in order to seek, promote, and cultivate artists and artistic works for an enriched Osawatomie community.

Vision & Values

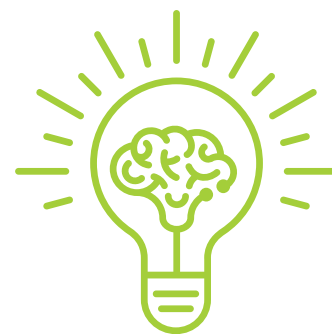
To seek out works of art for public display, engagement, and enjoyment including painting, sculpture, literature, music, performance arts, and/or other mediums.

To identify and encourage local artists of all ages and backgrounds, including the non-traditional or unexpected.

To collaborate with others to advance the cultural and historical incentives for regional, statewide, and national tourism.



Community



Creativity



Collaboration



Focus Area #1

Fundraising and Budget Support

OBJECTIVES

- Develop fundraising letter template to submit with Tourism Committee donation requests.
- Identify specific projects for grant funding opportunities in FY '24/'25 and research accompanying grant programs.
- Establish monthly or semi-monthly adult craft/DIY event fundraisers.

Focus Area #2

Community Engagement

OBJECTIVES

- Collaborate with USD #367 Art Department(s) for a student installation within the 2024/2025 school year.
- Install micro-murals on City-designated stormwater boxes.
- Establish an annual “Hands-On” art event.
- Update annually the community preference survey.





Focus Area #3

Tourism

OBJECTIVES

- Create an annual or seasonal art fair for vendors and/or artisans.
- Establish additional historical reenactments or other immersive educational opportunities.
- Re-introduce the “Art & Wine” event for Osawatomie (*or similar model*).

Focus Area #4

Installations

OBJECTIVES

- Welcome a “Thomas Dambo” troll to Osawatomie.
- Wrap the community’s largest water tower (500,000 gallons).
- Develop “Art on the Trail” with sculpture opportunities.
- Complete the levee murals with assistance from other community groups (Rotary, PRIDE, etc.).



Our Team



That's Alex Eickhoff, one of our mural artists!

Appointed Members

Nicole Hennes - Chairperson

Shay Hanyak - Vice Chairperson

Sarah Dorsett - Secretary

Heather Burke

Emily Duncan

Jordy Goff*

Elizabeth Holmes

Dale Bratton* - City Council Liaison

Sam Moon* - City Staff Liaison

**Not Pictured at Left*



Thank You

We hope to work with you soon!

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