



COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 5.4

DATE: May 26, 2026
TO: Chairperson and Members of the Commission for the Arts
FROM: Allen McFarland, Management Analyst II
SUBJECT: Selection of Commission for the Arts volunteer to judge the Citywide Employee Art Exhibit and Contest in July 2026.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Commission for the Arts select a volunteer to judge the Citywide Employee Art Exhibit and Contest in July 2026.

DECISION TYPE

Not Applicable

SUMMARY

The Livermore Public Library is hosting its first Citywide Employee Art Exhibit and Contest in July 2026. Employees are invited to share their personal artwork that will be displayed in the Civic Center Library's gallery. The theme is simply "Livermore"; however, employees are encouraged to share any art that they desire; the only requirement is that the art must be in a format that can be displayed in the gallery. The judging will happen between the time artwork goes up on July 1, 2026, and July 13, 2026. The reception will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday, July 22, 2026 (time TBD).

DISCUSSION

Staff is in the process of creating a flyer and related communications for this event to be shared with Citywide staff. There will be first, second, and third prize winners across all entries. The current plan for judging is to utilize a panel consisting of a local artist or member of a local arts organization, a Library staff member, and a member of the Commission for the Arts. We hope that the commissioner who participates as a judge will share their experience during future Commission meetings.

There are no formal votes needed from the Commission to establish the volunteer who will judge this contest.

ATTACHMENTS

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