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COMMISSION FOR THE ARTS STAFF REPORT **ITEM NO. 5.2**

DATE: November 17, 2026

TO: Chairperson and Members of the Commission for the Arts

FROM: Allen McFarland, Management Analyst II

SUBJECT: Appoint an ad hoc committee to review High School Junior and Senior Arts Awards applications.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the Commission for the Arts appoint an ad hoc committee to review High School Junior and Senior Arts Awards applications.

SUMMARY

In 2025, the Commission for the Arts approved expanding and restructuring the High School Senior Arts Awards program to include both Juniors and Seniors. The revised program now titled the High School Junior and Senior Arts Awards, allocates $13,600 annually in the following structure:

- Eight Junior awards at $500 each
- Eight Senior awards at $1,200 each

DISCUSSION

The High School Arts Awards program is designed to recognize, celebrate, and support talented high school students in Livermore for their accomplishments in the arts. The ad hoc committee will participate in the application review and evaluation process and bring their recommendations to the full Commission for approval. Selected awardees will receive their awards during a City Council meeting in June 2027.

ATTACHMENTS

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