

**Meeting Agenda**  
**January 19, 2022 at 4:30 pm**  
**Columbus Art Commission**  
**Coleman Building, 111 N. Front Street, room 204**

**I. Call to order**

- **Next Commission Hearing:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 4:30pm at the Coleman Administration Building, 111 N. Front Street, Community Hearing Room 204
- **Swear in Staff and Applicants**

**II. Approval of minute from last meeting:** [December 15, 2022](#)

**III. Return Application**

**IV. CAC #21-12 -01**

**Art Project:** [Current](#)

**Applicant:** Edwards Companies LLC, Applicant

**Location:** Downtown Columbus, over the Intersection of N. High Street and Gay Street

**Artist:** Janet Echelman

The applicant secured conditional approval of the design and placement of the artwork *Current* on 12-15-21 and has returned with additional project information to request Final Approval.

The project is still undergoing Right of Way review with the Department of Public Service. The Applicant is also seeking to secure final project approvals from the Downtown Commission and Historic Resources Commission for the attachments that will be needed to secure the artwork to the anchor buildings.

To recap: In January of 2020, the Edwards Companies engaged artist, Janet Echelman, to design a signature sculpture to be suspended above the intersection of Gay and N. High Streets in Downtown Columbus. In cooperation with DeVere LLC and the Day Companies, owners of the buildings east of N. High Street, Studio Echelman and Edwards LLC have spent the past 18 months developing the site-specific sculpture titled *Current*.

Inspired by local history and conditions, *Current* promises to be a dramatic addition to Columbus' public art scene and a regional draw combining vibrant colors and dramatic night-time illumination. The piece, like all Echelman sculptures will consist of supported structural netting.

**Commission Action Requested:** That the CAC motion to approve the design and placement of the artwork, *Current*, over the intersection of Gay and N. High Street in Downtown Columbus, per CC3115.04 (B).

## V. New Application

**CAC # 22-01-01**

**Art Project:** Weaving Intersections

**Applicant:** Marcia Armstrong

**Location:** Schiller Park Pond

**Artist:** Marcia Armstrong

Artist, Marcia Armstrong, is proposing a temporary environmental public artwork that will be installed in the pond at Schiller Park in the vicinity of the bridge. She has secured the support of the Friends of Schiller Park and is working with the Recreation and Parks Department (CRPD). CRPD will work on a Memorandum of Understanding with the artist once CAC approval is secured. The artist has successfully completed environmental art installations in OSU's Chadwick Arboretum, as well as successful gallery shows. Her art uses natural, native materials.

**Commission Action Requested:** That the CAC motion to approve the design and placement of the temporary artwork, *Weaving Intersections*, to be floated in the pond at Schiller Park

## VI. Preliminary Project Discussion - none

## VII. New Business

- a) None

## VIII. Old Business

- a) **Christopher Columbus Statue Committee (CCSC)**

The RFP to retain a consultant to examine the potential placement of the Christopher Columbus Statue in a public location has been posted and will close on February 4, 2022. Consultant interviews are anticipated to occur approximately two weeks after the RFP closes.

- b) **New Public Artwork for the Downtown City Campus**

It is anticipated that the draft RFP to retain a consultant to create a public art plan for the downtown campus will be completed for Department review in January, prior to being submitted for CAC review in February.

## IX. Commissioner Comments

## X. Adjournment

The in person meetings will now also be livestreamed on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofcolumbus>.

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