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Boards and Commissions Application
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Applicant Information

Name	Christina M Wright
Are you a Sunnyvale resident?	Yes
How long have you lived in Sunnyvale?	born and raised
Description Area	Residence Notice:Unless otherwise noted, your principal place of residence must be in Sunnyvale. You must live in Sunnyvale at the time of appointment and at all times during service on a board or commission.
Current Main Residence	
Email	
Phone	
Are you currently a registered voter in Sunnyvale?	Yes
When was the last time you voted? Month/Year	November 2024
Have you ever served on a City of Sunnyvale board or commission?	No
Have you attended a meeting of the City Council, or a board or commission?	No
Have you attended meetings of the board(s) or commission(s) for which you are applying?	No

Board or Commission Selection

First Choice	Arts Commission
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Applicant Qualifications

What motivated you to apply for this board or commission?	I have lifelong experience in the media and performing arts. I believe very strongly that the arts brings community together and I'd love an opportunity to work with the Commission to bring artistic experiences for community engagement.
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What skills or attributes can you bring to this board or commission?

I currently work as an Adjunct Instructor in Film Studies at San Jose State University and De Anza College. In addition, I am a trained Social Emotional Arts Facilitator via the Arts&Healing Initiative, which uses art therapy based curriculum to transform lives through the innate power of the arts, guided by mental health practices, to foster healing, connection, and resilience for all. I also freelance as a Screenwriter and Film Curator for a Chicago based theatre.

Prior to working in higher education, I spent 7 years running my own after school program called Lights, Character, Action! which used drama and film as tools to teach character education and leadership development.

In my youth years, I performed with the Sunnyvale Community Players, among several other theater productions.

The primary role of a board or commission member is to provide advice to City Council on policy issues that are within the scope of the board or commission. What steps would you take to effectively exercise this specific board or commission role?

I would be aware of and up to date with current policies and how they are impacting artists and the community. I would also advocate as/where needed to ensure policies are forming and growing to be of the most benefit.

Education - List college degrees, majors and any relevant training or experience that demonstrates your ability to effectively serve on this board or commission.

AA Speech Communications
BA Theatre Arts/Drama
MPhil Film Theory and History
Certificate, Social Emotional Arts

Describe your involvement in community activities, volunteer and civic organizations.

Currently in the Sunnyvale community, I assist with art activities at grassroots children and youth classes being held on Bodega Drive.

I am currently a member of the Society for Cinema and Media Studies and the Arts Education Alliance of the Bay Area. Previously, Previously, I served on the Advisory Board for the Salinas Valley Arts and Innovation Hub and the Communications Committee for the Women in the Arts & Media Coalition.

In addition, I previously volunteered for the San Francisco Giants Video Board Productions, as a Director and Producer for KMTV 15-Silicon Valley Media and Curriculum Writer for Journeys in Film.

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The City has a Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials and an Attendance Policy (7.2.19), 2 G (II) that appointed members are required to follow.

Do you have any concerns related to the above code and policy? No

Are you willing to accept a temporary appointment for the remainder of an unexpired term? Yes

Board or Commission-Specific Questions**Arts Commission**

What role do you think public art plays in a city? I think public art is inspiring as a viewer. Finding just the right piece that speaks to you on a personal level can be a very transforming experience. Additionally, I think when public art becomes a collaborative project for the community, it can bring people together and unite them in a common message they wish to express through that artwork.

How might the City strengthen art programs in the community? I think Sunnyvale is very advanced in its artistic offerings in comparison to other local cities. More visibility might help strengthen participation in the programs. I'd also love to see more youth focused art initiatives.

The Sunnyvale Public Art collection includes sculptures and other physical art. As an Arts Commissioner, how would you prioritize the inclusion of visual, literary, interactive and performing arts to embody the cultures of our diverse community? I believe all art modalities need to be prioritized. I would ensure that all public art offerings include a mix of visual arts, music, movement/theater, expressive writing and media arts, for example.

Fair Political Practices Commission Statement of Economic Interests

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If you are appointed to the Arts Commission, Heritage Preservation Commission, Housing and Human Services Commission or the Planning Commission, you must electronically file the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700), which will be a public record. Statement of Economic Interests - Form 700 Understanding of Filing Requirement I understand and agree that if I'm appointed to the Arts Commission, Heritage Preservation Commission, Housing and Human Services Commission or Planning Commission I must electronically file the Fair Political Practices Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700). This form reports my economic interests and those of my spouse or domestic partner, if applicable. I understand this will be a public record.

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Yes

Demographic Information

Your age

Your gender

Description Area

LGBTQIA+ Identity

Race or Ethnicity (select all that apply)

Do you speak a language other than English?

Household Income

Residence - Are you a

Do you live in a

Do you have any other identities* you would like to share with us?

Your Agreement

Description Area

IMPORTANT NOTICE – READ BEFORE SIGNING:By selecting both “Yes” and “Submit Form” below I am adding my digital signature to this application. I am also agreeing with the following statements:All statements I have made on this application are true and correct.I authorize the City of Sunnyvale (City) to investigate the accuracy of this information.I release the City from all claims and liabilities arising from such investigation.I acknowledge that any false statement on this application will be grounds for the City to deny my appointment. A false statement discovered later, will be grounds to dismiss me from my appointment at any time.I acknowledge that any false statement on this application could lead to criminal charges. Charges could fall under California Penal Code, Section 115 or other applicable law.

I agree

Yes

Your full name

Christina Michelle Wright

DateApr 18, 2025
