IVINS CITY

ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

AGENDA

August 12, 2026

Mayor Kevin Smith
Arts Commission Members
Michele Adams
Liz Fortney
Kaitlynn Kraus
Daphne Schroth
Kathy Smith

City Manager Chuck Gillette

The Ivins City Arts Commission will hold a regular meeting in the City Council Chambers, 85 N. Main St., Ivins, UT, on Wednesday, August 12, 2026. The meeting will begin at 5:00 P.M. NOTICE: This meeting will be held in person. You may listen to the live audio feed by going to www.ivinsutah.gov under "Upcoming Events". When the meeting is live, it will reflect "In Progress" – click on the "In Progress" link to listen to the meeting live.

1) **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**
   - **A.** Acknowledgement of Quorum
   - **B.** Disclosures/Conflicts
2) **REPORTS**
   - **A.** Introduction of new Commissioner, Josie Brzenk
   - **B.** Heritage Days Meeting Report – Kathy Smith
   - **C.** Living Artfully Blog – Kathy Smith
   - **D.** Youth Council Public Art Project – Kathy Smith
   - **E.** Work Meeting: August 25, 2026 @5:30 p.m.
   - **F.** Next Meeting: October 14, 2026 @5:00 p.m.
3) **DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS**
   - **A.** Utah Division of Arts - Ivins Exhibit Dates – Kathy Smith
   - **B.** It's a Wrap – Discuss and Approve Program Procedures – Daphne Schroth
   - **C.** Heritage Days – Trench Art Exhibit/Arts District Display – Kathy Smith
   - **D.** Heritage Days Art Exhibit – Michele Adams
   - **E.** Heritage Days Parade – Michele Adams
   - **F.** Arts District Committee – Liz Fortney
     1. Arts Districts Committee Community Members Update – Liz Fortney
     2. Arts Districts Mapping/Signage Update Work Meeting – Liz Fortney
     3. It's a Wrap – VA Project Update – Kathy Smith & Daphne Schroth
   - **G.** Approval of Arts Commission Meeting Minutes for June 10, 2026
4) **ADDITIONAL ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR/COMMISSIONERS**
5) **ADJOURNMENT**

Reasonable accommodation: Ivins City will make efforts to provide reasonable accommodation to disabled members of the public in accessing City programs. Please contact the City Recorder at least 24 hours in advance if you have special needs.
I hereby certify that I have posted copies of the agenda in the following public and conspicuous places on August 7, 2026. Ivins City Hall, the Ivins Post Office, SCI Center Street Fire Station, Ivins City UNITY Park and Ivins City Animal Shelter. I have also sent a copy of this agenda to St. George News and posted it on the Utah Public Notice website.

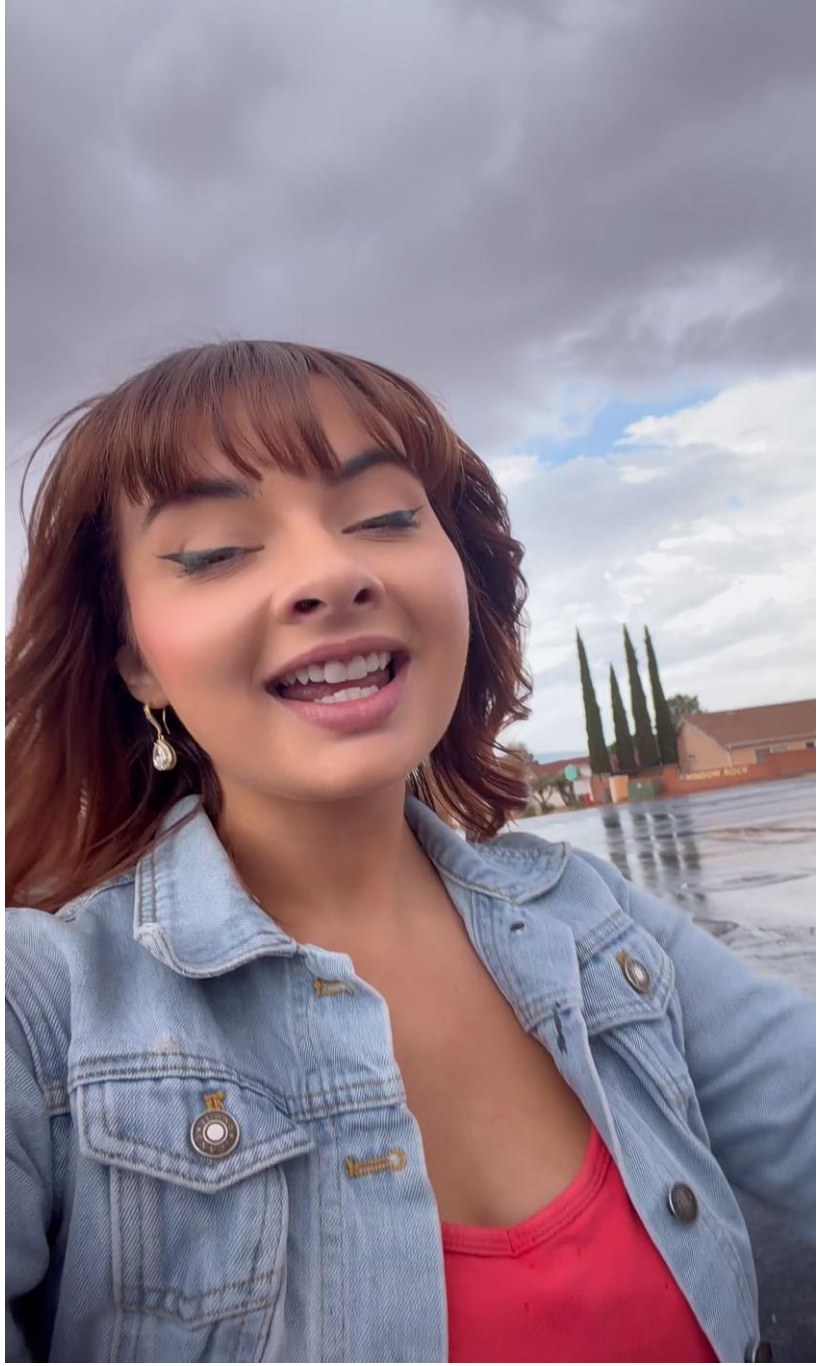
Kari D. Jimenez, MPA, MMC
City Recorder

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, 8/12/2026

IVINS CITY ARTS COMMISSION

WELCOME

JOSIE BRZENK



IVINS HERITAGE DAYS



1. Latest Meeting Information – 7/22/2026
   a. Bob Flowers will be Grand Marshall
   b. Drone Show most likely will not take place
   c. Friday Events
      i. 5:00-6:30pm Hot Dog Dinner/Activities
      ii. 5:00pm – 6:30pm Car Show - Cars out by 7:00pm
      iii. 5:00pm-8:00pm Art Exhibit
      iv. 5:00pm-8:00pm Historical Society Exhibit
      v. 7:00 – 8:30pm Cowboy Poets & Music
      vi. 8:30pm or dark – Movie in the Park
   d. Saturday Events
      i. 9:00am Parade
      ii. 9:00am to close Booths/Activities/Food Vendors
      iii. 10:00am-2:00pm Art Exhibit
      iv. 10:00am-? Historical Society Exhibit

We currently have 7 entries in the Art Exhibit

Michele will provide all information about the parade and Art Exhibit under Items 3D & 3E

August Blog – Liz Fortney



Liz Fortney · Jul 31 · 3 min read

Living Artfully: A Community Woven Through Creativity

What does it mean to *live artfully*?

It is more than attending a concert, visiting a gallery, or admiring a sculpture. Living artfully means seeing beauty in everyday life, celebrating our shared stories, and creating places that inspire connection. It means recognizing that art is not something separate from our community—it is part of who we are.

In Ivins, we are fortunate to live in a place where dramatic red cliffs, open skies, and extraordinary creativity come together. Our natural landscape has long inspired artists, musicians, performers, writers, and makers. As our city grows, we have an exciting opportunity to ensure that our public spaces continue to reflect the people, history, and character that make Ivins unique.

That is the vision behind the Ivins City Arts Commission's current initiative.
Rather than creating public art that could exist anywhere, we are working to identify the unique "personality" of six distinct districts throughout our community. Each district has its own story to tell, its own rhythm, and its own sense of place. By understanding these identities, we can encourage art that feels authentic—art that belongs exactly where it stands.



The Ivins Youth Council is exploring a request for a graffiti art project. An exploratory meeting was held, and more information will be forthcoming.

ART EXHIBITS







October 2026 – Navajo Children – Weaving the Future

February 2027 – The Pen is Mightier – Writing a Revolution

Approved by City Manager in collaboration with Arts Commission and Parks and Recreation. Will be displayed in City Hall Foyer

Would like to set up school visits/an evening reception
Publicity Material

It’s A Wrap

- Discuss/Approve artist stipend/amount to be included in all subsequent boxes.
- Discuss/Approve procedure for box sponsor to request financial assistance.
- Discuss/Approve maintaining Ivins Art Inventory suitable for boxes.
- Discuss/Approve recommendation to City Council to set aside a yearly amount for maintenance/replacement.



Daphne Schroth

In the realm of artistic expression born from the crucible of conflict, Trench Art stands as a poignant testament to the human spirit's resilience amid the chaos of war.

Trench art emerges as a captivating embodiment of creativity amidst destruction; a unique artistic genre that emerged from war.

--Nicolene Burger, 1/12/2024

TRENCH ART SAMPLES







HERITAGE DAYS ART EXHIBIT

Planning Details

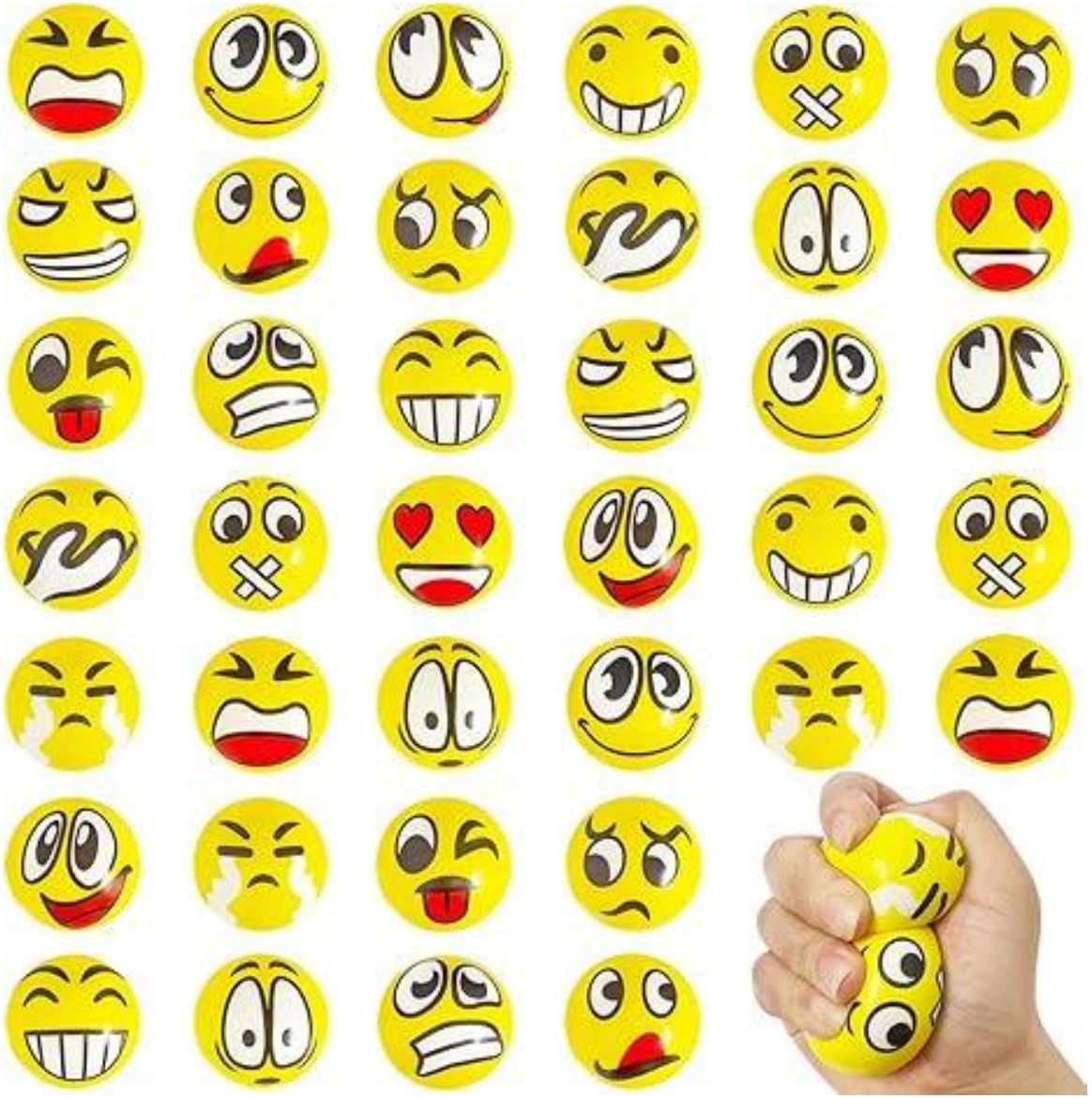
Work Schedule

Michele Adams

Heritage Days Parade

Saturday, 9/12 – starts 9:00am

MICHELE ADAMS, EVENT COORDINATOR



PARADE HANDOUTS

COMMISSION

- Wear Ivins Arts Commission T-Shirts



ARTS DISTRICTS

LIZ FORTNEY

- Committee Community Members Update
- Arts Districts Work Meeting – ICAC and Community Members
  Tuesday, August 25, 2026 at 5:30pm – City Council Chambers

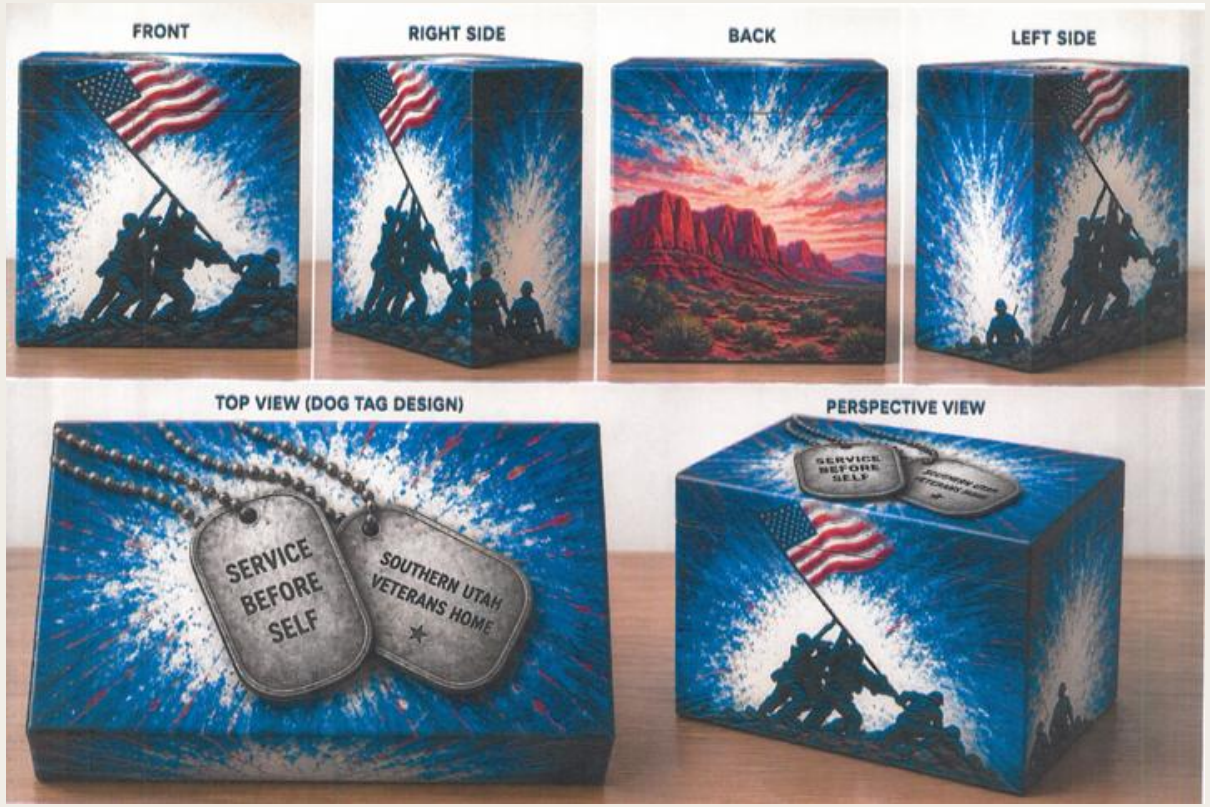
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IVINS ARTS DISTRICTS SIGNAGE



SUVH SAMPLE ART

These are box rendering by Bruce Anderson from actual art; one from a Veteran who resided at SUVH and from an Iron County artist.







- July jury results – No artwork has been chosen, 8 pieces have been forwarded to the next round ending 8/15/2026.
- Next jury will be after 8/15/2026 deadline with same process.
- Final jury will be 9/15/2026 unless enough art isn't approved.
- Discuss possible meeting with SUVH regarding type of art.
- Discuss possibility of using CAFÉ system

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THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!