Business of the Village Board Village of Saranac Lake

SUBJECT: Arts and Cultu	re Board	DATE: 6	-12-2023
DEPT OF ORIGIN: <u>Trustee Brunette</u>		BILL # <u>78-2022</u>	
DATE SUBMITTED: 6-7-2023		EXHIBITS:	
APPROVED AS TO FORM	M:		
Village Attorney		Village Administration	
EXPENDITURE REQUIRED	AMOUNT BUDGETED	APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	
Resolution to appoint a new member to the Arts and Culture Advisory Board MOVED BY: SECONDED BY: Shapin			
VOTE ON ROLL CALL:		r e	
MAYOR WILLIAMS	yes		
TRUSTEE BRUNETTE	yes		
TRUSTEE CATILLAZ	yes		
TRUSTEE SCOLLIN	ijes	<u> </u>	
TRUSTEE SHAPIRO	- ÿes		

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBER TO THE ARTS AND CULTURE ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, the Village of Saranac Lake Arts and Culture Advisory Board has a vacancy;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Echo to the Arts and Culture Advisory Board for a term that is in accordance with the bylaws.

Hello,

I am very excited to submit myself for a position on the Arts and Culture Advisory Board. The Arts and Culture Master Plan produced by this board was instrumental in my family's decision to leave Brooklyn and move to Saranac Lake full time. Reading the plan assured us that this area is committed to supporting the advancement of the arts for all people.

In 2020 my partner and I purchased the old general store located in Onchiota and began to transform it into the art and adventure outpost known as The Station. Our focus is on providing the region with new experiences and ideas through exposure to inspiring art, music and cultural events. We offer programming that is inspired by many of the various art and music scenes we have been fortunate to be involved with in various urban and rural locations across the country. I have attached a flyer for our Summer Sessions event that shows what we are doing.

The process of creating The Station has enabled me to establish connections with all kinds of amazing creative people and organizations in the region. Some of them already participate in Saranac Lake art events such as the Art Walks in the Summer. Some artist I meet are producing amazing work but do not fit into the typical gallery system. I love that the Advisory Board has provided these upcoming artist with exposure by displaying their work in unused buildings downtown. I would like to work with the board to help create more campaigns like this to make every day, all year round feel like an Art Walk in Saranac Lake.

Aside from being an artist and professional weirdo I have a background in event promotion. This stems from producing my own music and art events in Tampa and San Francisco. While living in San Francisco I was part of an event promotion crew called Yellow Brick Road. In addition to working with larger brands like Vice magazine, we handled street marketing campaigns for the majority of nightclubs and hipster art related events at the time. I'm highly skilled at using branding to get people to pay attention and participate in events. I think the "Decidedly different" slogan is brilliant.

The implementation plan section of the master plan is very exciting! I hope I can be a part of helping to do the work to make all the great ideas it contains into tangible reality.

Echo Only



