

**TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY
ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2009 MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 9, 2009, at the home of Bets Manera, Chair of the Arts Advisory Committee. Committee members present: Chair Bets Manera, Jane Cole, Ellen Gerding, Bunny Gordon, and Staff Liaison Natalie Montenegro. Former Committee Chair Gretchen Bevan was also present.

The minutes of the October 28, 2008 meeting were approved as submitted.

Chair Bets Manera stated that the trip to visit the McGary art studio has been scheduled for January 20, 2009, at 3:00 p.m.

Chair Manera also commented on the status of recognizing local artist Paolo Soleri as he celebrates his 90th birthday this year. It was suggested that the Mayor present Mr. Soleri with a proclamation at a Council meeting in June.

The Committee reviewed and compared the lists of assigned tasks and responsibilities prepared by Chair Manera and Ms. Montenegro. A final list will be prepared and distributed to Committee members at the next meeting.

Chair Manera also received input from the Committee on criteria for selecting new artists. The Committee made suggestions on what questions should be on the artist application form.

Committee membership was also discussed. Ms. Montenegro stated that Committee members are appointed for three year terms. The terms of Committee members Bets Manera, Jane Cole and Bunny Gordon will expire in July of this year. They are eligible for re-appointment. Ms. Montenegro stated that committee re-appointments are generally scheduled for the first Council meeting in September.

The next meeting of the Arts Advisory Committee is the trip to the McGary Studio on January 20 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.