

Notice of Meeting of the Arts and Culture Advisory Board of the City of Georgetown, Texas January 20, 2026

The Georgetown Arts and Culture Advisory Board will meet on January 20, 2026 at 4:30 PM at City Hall, 808 Martin Luther King Jr Street, Georgetown, TX 78626.

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Regular Session

- 1.A **Call to order**
Call to order - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair
- 1.B **Arts & Culture Announcements**
Announcements - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair
- 1.C **Approval of minutes**
Consideration and approval of the December 16, 2025 minutes - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair
- 1.D **Georgetown ISD Student Mural Project**
Consideration and possible action to approve the mural design for the 6th installment of the GISD Student Mural Project – Amanda Still, Arts and Culture Program Manager
- 1.E **Georgetown Art Center Mural**
Consideration and possible action to approve the mural design for the Georgetown Art Center – Amanda Still, Arts and Culture Program Manager
- 1.F **2026 Arts & Culture Grants**
Consideration and possible action to award 2026 Round I Arts and Culture Grants - Amanda Still, Arts and Culture Program Manager
- 1.G **Manager Report**
Presentation of Arts & Culture Report - Amanda Still, Arts & Culture Program Manager

Adjournment

Certificate of Posting

I, Robyn Densmore, City Secretary for the City of Georgetown, Texas, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted at City Hall, 808 Martin Luther King Jr. Street, Georgetown, TX 78626, a place readily accessible to the general public as required by law, on the _____ day of _____, 2025, at _____, and remained so posted for at least 72 continuous hours preceding the scheduled time of said

meeting.

Robyn Densmore, City Secretary

City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

Call to order

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Call to order - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

Arts & Culture Announcements

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Announcements - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

Approval of minutes

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consideration and approval of the December 16, 2025 minutes - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

[12.16.2025 Arts & Culture Minutes - draft.pdf](#)

**Minutes of the
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
City of Georgetown, Texas
Tuesday, December 16, 2025**

The Georgetown Arts and Culture Advisory Board met on Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at 4:30 PM at Georgetown Art Center, 816 S Main St, Georgetown, TX.

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The following Members were in attendance:

Present were: Lynn A Kessel, Diane N. Sandlin, Jeff A Manley, Morgan T Myers, Robert W Thomas

Jeff Manley arrived at :36pm

1. Regular Session

1.A [Call to order](#)

Call to order - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair
@ 4:35pm

1.B Arts & Culture Announcements

Announcements - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair

- Robert is working on a laser & engraving your own ornament with elementary kids.
- Diane said the library was very busy this week.
- Morgan shared that the Palace is showing Frozen until the end of January. Dashing Through the Snow is showing in the Playhouse and sold out, including the 3 extra shows they added. The Playhouse will be closing at the end of this year and moving its productions to the Dough Smith Performance Center. They are holding auditions for Oklahoma!, (opening in March) and Swing! (opening in February). The Mountaintop will be showing in February.
- Jeff attended the 442 Mural ribbon cutting honoring the Japanese American 442nd Regimental Combat Team from WWII outside the Haji Moto Ramen & Sake Bar. Wag Heaven also sponsored the Tail of Lights in Cedar Park on December 13th.
- Lynn shared about the Williamson County Art Guild's Holiday Party that took place on December 5th with music by Michael Alexandersson. In 2026, they will be having a raffle each month in celebration of its 50th anniversary.

1.C Approval of minutes

Consideration and approval of the November 18, 2025 minutes - Lynn Kessel, Board Chair

Moved by Diane N. Sandlin; seconded by Morgan T Myers to Approve .

Motion Approved: 5- 0

Voting For: Lynn A Kessel, Diane N. Sandlin, Jeff A Manley, Morgan T Myers, Robert W Thomas

Voting Against: None

1.D Exhibit Subcommittee

Consideration and possible action to approve Exhibit Subcommittee member recommendations - Amanda Still, Arts and Culture Program Manager

Moved by Jeff A Manley; seconded by Diane N. Sandlin to Approve Exhibit Subcommittee members as recommended by staff.

Motion Approved: 5- 0

Voting For: Lynn A Kessel, Diane N. Sandlin, Jeff A Manley, Morgan T Myers, Robert W Thomas

Voting Against: None

Adjournment

Moved by Morgan T Myers; seconded by Robert W Thomas to Adjourn @ 4:45pm.

Motion Adjourn: 5 - 0

Voting For: Lynn A Kessel, Diane N. Sandlin, Jeff A Manley, Morgan T Myers, Robert W Thomas

Voting Against: None

Holiday Reception

The board members are invited to enjoy refreshments in the Art Center after the board meeting - Amanda Still, Arts & Culture Program Manager

These minutes were approved at the meeting of _____

Chair

Attest

City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

Georgetown ISD Student Mural Project

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consideration and possible action to approve the mural design for the 6th installment of the GISD Student Mural Project – Amanda Still, Arts and Culture Program Manager

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

Georgetown Art Center Mural

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consideration and possible action to approve the mural design for the Georgetown Art Center –
Amanda Still, Arts and Culture Program Manager

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

[Attachment_Mural B Art Center.pdf](#)



City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

2026 Arts & Culture Grants

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consideration and possible action to award 2026 Round I Arts and Culture Grants - Amanda Still,
Arts and Culture Program Manager

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

City of Georgetown, Texas
Arts and Culture Advisory Board
January 20, 2026

SUBJECT:

Manager Report

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Presentation of Arts & Culture Report - Amanda Still, Arts & Culture Program Manager

ITEM SUMMARY:

Presentation of Arts & Culture Coordinator Report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Shelly Sommerfeld, Economic Development plus

ATTACHMENTS:

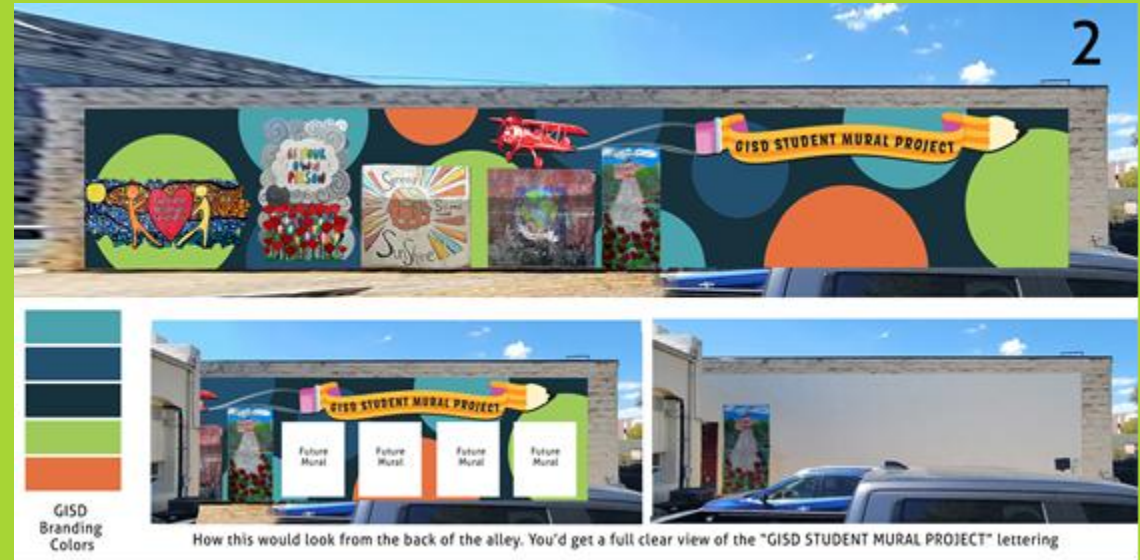
[January Program Manager Report.pdf](#)

Georgetown Arts and Culture Program Report

January 20, 2026

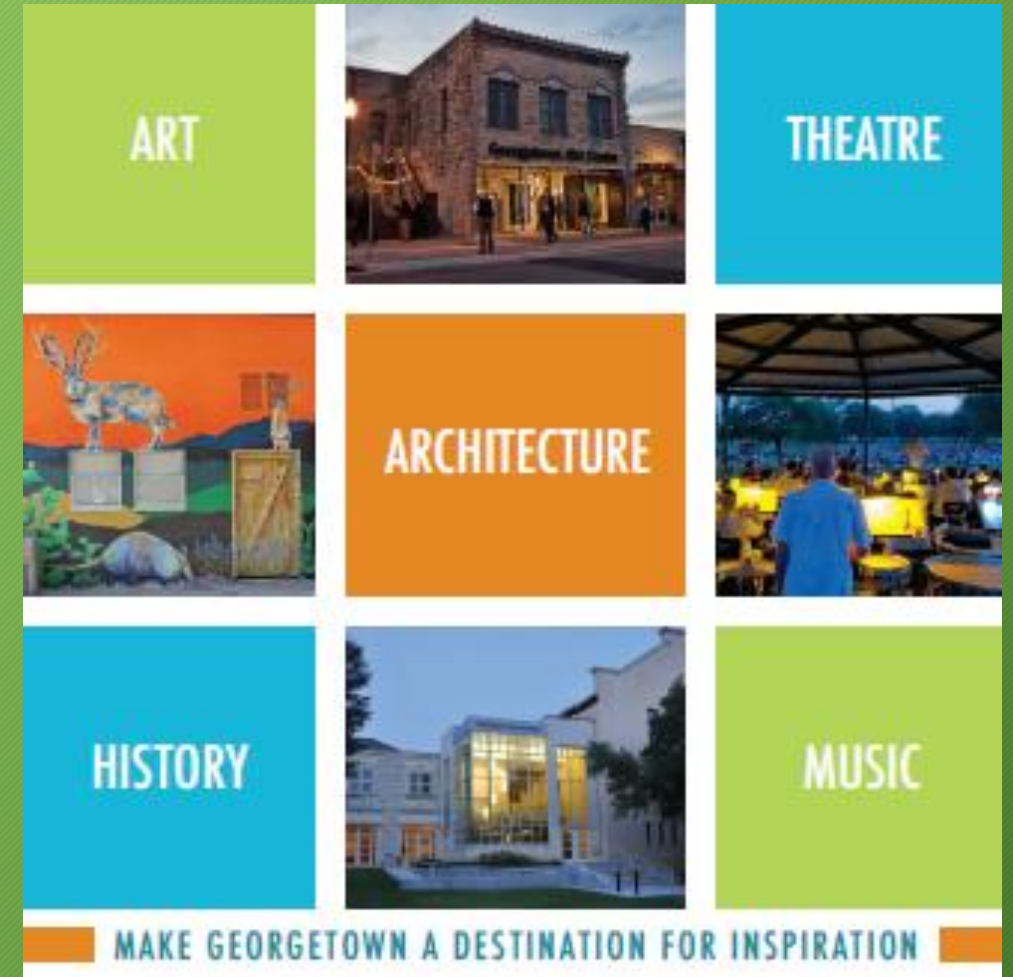
Public Art Program

- GISD Student Mural Project Title and 6th installment 2026
- Art Center Mural
 - Installation in March



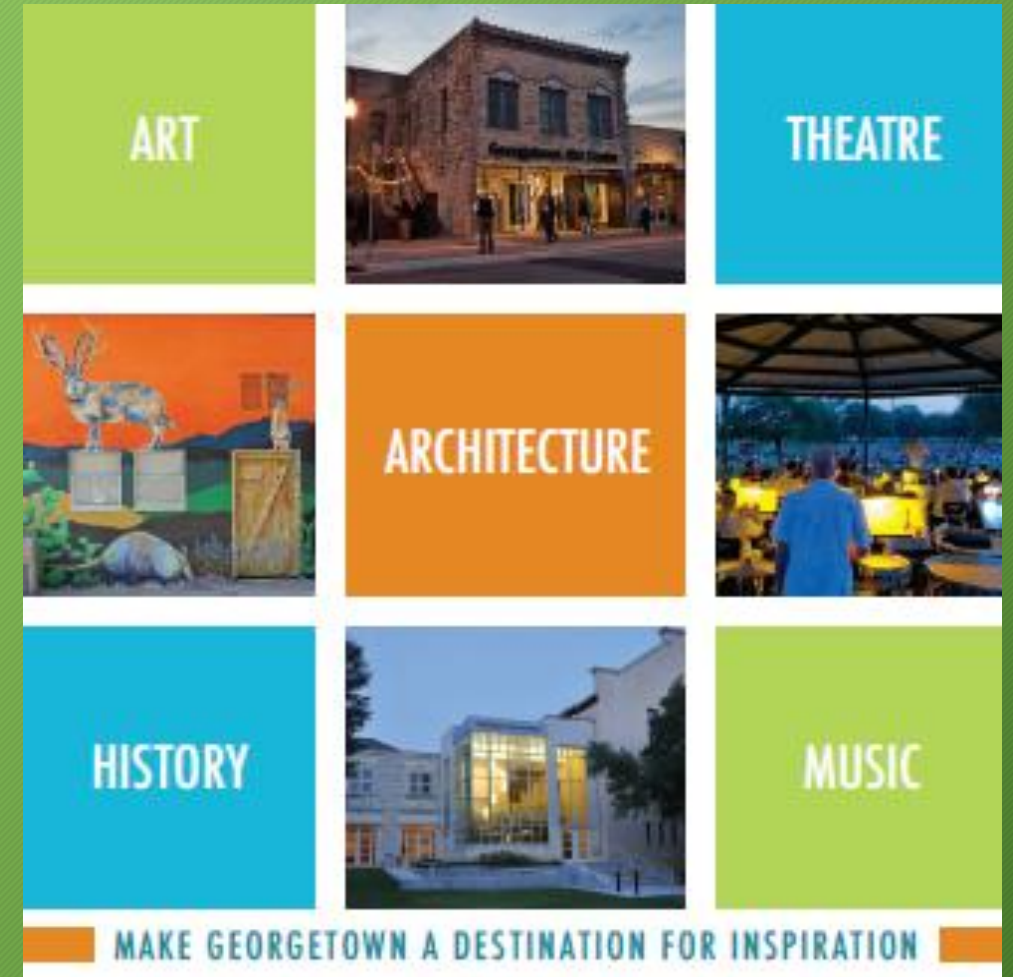
Cultural District Programming

- Month of the Arts
 - After-action Report
 - Will discontinue SoMa Arts Festival
 - Maintain Spring Art Stroll; elevate Autumn Art Stroll
- Updated Economic Impact Study
 - May 2026 Board Retreat for Updated Arts and Culture Strategic Plan
 - Availability for longer May meeting



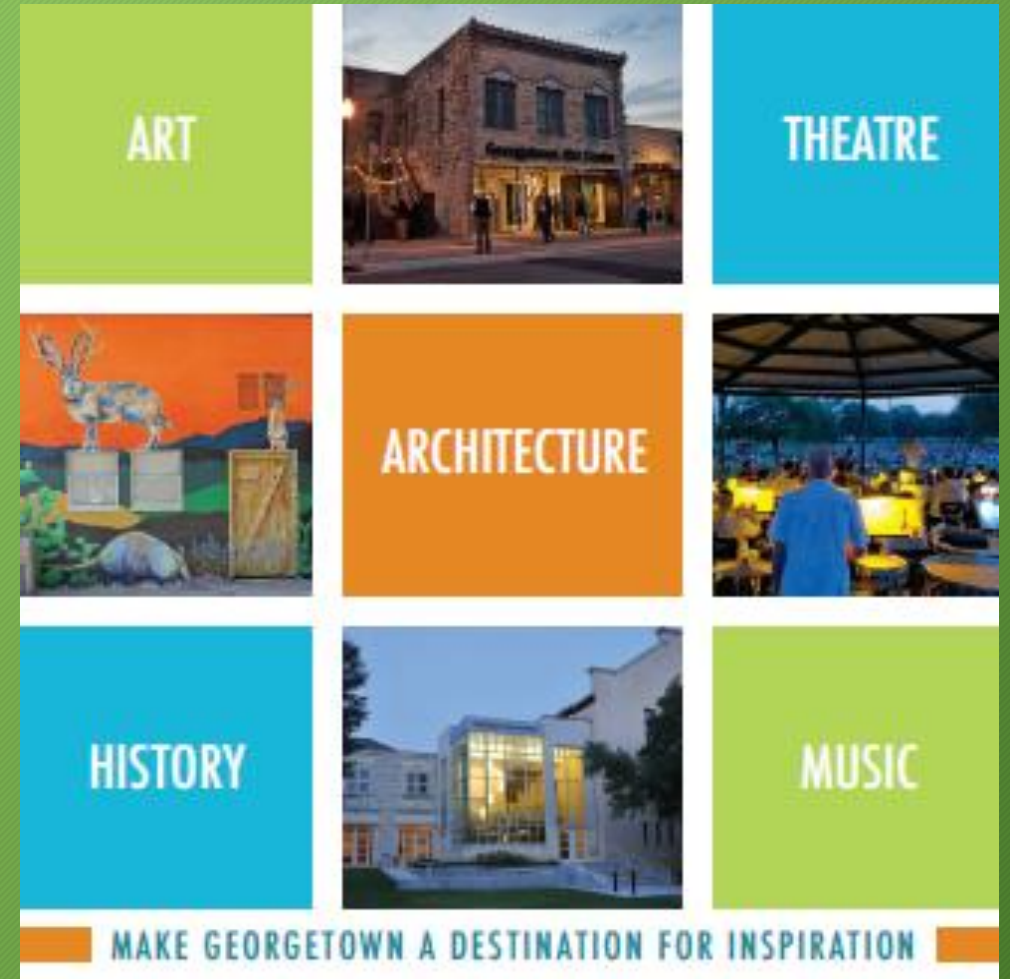
Cultural District Programming

- Georgetown Art Center
 - 2027 Call for Exhibit Proposals open January - February
 - Spring Workshop Series
 - Exhibit Masterclasses
 - Member Open Studio Sessions
 - Gallery lighting replacement planned for March



Cultural District Programming

- Cultural Facilities Study
 - Architectural firm selected
 - Upcoming stakeholder meeting: Grace Heritage Center/Georgetown Art Center/Shotgun House Museum
 - Recommendations/conceptuals/cost projections in late spring or early summer 2026
 - Facility improvements in 2028



Future Meeting Timeline

February

- Possible stakeholder meeting for Cultural Facilities Study

March

- Discuss upcoming Public Art opportunities and Open Calls
- Spring Art Stroll planning