

MINUTES
ASIAN ART COMMISSION
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, July 3, 2025, 2:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Koret Education Center

Commissioners: Salle Yoo, Chair
Virginia Foo
Martha Hertelendy
Nanci Nishimura
Ken Wilcox

Absent: Anthony Sun

Staff Present: Soyoung Lee
Sara Lee
Emiko Usui
Laura Hathhorn

Call to Order

Chair Salle Yoo called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m., a quorum being present. She thanked everyone for attending the make-up meeting for the June 24 meeting due to lack of a Commission quorum.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from April 22, 2025 full board meeting were approved.

Commission Consideration and Possible Action Items:

a. Acknowledgement of Annual Signing of Agreement Governing Partial Reimbursement of Fundraising and Administrative Expenses for the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco

WHEREAS, On an annual basis, the City and County of San Francisco, acting by and through the Asian Art Commission and the Asian Art Museum Foundation, executes a formal agreement entitled Agreement Governing Partial Reimbursement of Fundraising and Administrative Expenses; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Asian Art Commission acknowledges imminent signing of an Agreement Governing Partial Reimbursement of Fundraising and Administrative Expenses for the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco by the Chair of the Asian Art Commission and the President of the Asian Art Museum Foundation, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney's Office.

b. In Compliance with Sections 67.24(e) and 67.29-2 of the Sunshine Ordinance as Amended by Proposition G on November 2, 1999, the Asian Art Commission Hereby Acknowledges that No Sole Source Contracts were entered into During the Period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

WHEREAS, Section 67.24(e) of the Sunshine Ordinance requires that each City department provide the Board of Supervisors with a list of all sole source contracts entered into during the past fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 67.29-2 of the Sunshine Ordinance encourages posting of the information on the web; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED , That the Asian Art Commission hereby acknowledges that no sole source contracts were (or will be) entered into during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

c. Approval of Nomination of Jacqueline Francis to the Asian Art Commission

WHEREAS, The Nominating Committee recommends the election of Jacqueline Francis and Phil Ting to the Art Commission; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Commission hereby endorses the nominations of Jacqueline Francis and respectfully submits these recommendations to Mayor Lurie for final appointment.

Jacqueline Francis is the dean of the Humanities and Sciences division at California College of the Arts. Since 2008, she has taught in the graduate Visual & Critical Studies and the undergraduate History of Art and Visual Culture programs; she has also taught in CCA's Fine Arts division and mentored Fine Arts, Design, and Architecture division students at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. She has held key leadership positions at CCA, including serving as chair of the Visual & Critical Studies program and as vice president of the Faculty Senate. She earned tenure and was promoted to Professor in 2022. Francis is an art historian, curator, and creative writer. She researches and writes modern and contemporary US art histories; she has a special interest in the construction of past and present racialized identities and identifications which she considers in the critical framework of social art history.

d. Condolences to the Family of Mr. Debao Xu

RESOLVED, On behalf of the entire museum family, the Commissioners and Trustees of the Asian Art Museum wish to express their deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Debao Xu, beloved father of Director Emeritus Jay Xu, who passed away May 29, 2025.

Adjournment. There being no public comment or other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.