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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL MEETING**

**Friday, May 15, 2026  
10:00 A.M. – 1:50 P.M.**

**On Location/Virtual Hybrid Meeting**

**Madelyn Helling Library  
980 Helling Way, Nevada City, CA 95959**

**Online meeting access will be provided at:  
<https://arts.ca.gov/about/council-meetings>**

**ASL Interpretation will be provided via Zoom.  
Interpretación simultánea en español – transmisión de audio por Zoom.**

10:00 A.M.	<b>1. Call to Order</b>	R. Messina Captor
10:00 A.M. (5 min)	<b>2. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum</b>	J. Miller
10:05 A.M. (5 min)	<b>3. Land and Peoples Acknowledgement</b>	S. Covert, Executive Director, Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe and Executive Director, HUSWEJ
10:10 A.M. (5 min)	<b>4. Opening Remarks &amp; Community Agreements</b>	R. Messina Captor
10:15 A.M. (5 min)	<b>5. Welcome to Nevada City</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nick Wilczek, Nevada County Librarian</li> <li>• Eliza Tudor, Executive Director – Nevada County Arts Council</li> </ul>	N. Wilczek E. Tudor
10:20 A.M. (5 min)	<b>6. Chair’s Report</b>	R. Messina Captor

10:25 A.M. (5 min)	<b>7. Executive Director's Report</b>	D. Brazell
10:30 A.M. (5 min)	<b>8. VOTING ITEM: Minutes from Previous Meetings</b>  <i>Council will vote to approve the following minutes:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Meeting – February 6, 2026</li> <li>• Council Meeting – April 20, 2026</li> </ul>	R. Messina Captor
10:35 A.M. (35 min)	<b>9. VOTING ITEM: 2027-2032 CAC Strategic Plan</b>  <i>The Strategic Planning Committee will present their recommendations for the agency's 2027-2032 Strategic Plan.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation (5 min)</li> <li>• Public Comment (15 min)</li> <li>• Discussion (15 min)</li> </ul>	R. Hirabayashi D. Keehn
11:10 A.M. (25 min)	<b>10. PRESENTATION: Native American Artist Grant Program</b>  <i>Staff will present an update on the Native American Artist Grant Program currently in development.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation (15 min)</li> <li>• Discussion (10 min)</li> </ul>	E. Gollub
11:35 A.M. (30 min)	<b>WORKING LUNCH</b>	
12:05 P.M. (20 min)	<b>11. PRESENTATION: Folk and Traditional Arts Program</b>  <i>CAC staff along with the Director of the Administering Organization will provide an overview of the CAC's Folk and Traditional Arts program.</i>	E. Gollub A. Kitchener

<p>12:25 P.M. (45 min)</p>	<p><b>12. General Public Comment</b></p> <p><i>Two forms of public comment will be offered:</i></p> <p><i>Comments will be accepted during the meeting in person or over Zoom.</i></p> <p><i>Written comment submissions will also be accepted online prior to and up through 10 a.m. on the second business day following the close of the meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Live public comments will be limited to three minutes per person and 30 minutes in total, as allowed by Bagley-Keene.</i></p>	<p>Q. Moore</p>
<p>1:10 P.M. (15 min)</p>	<p><b>13. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b></p> <p>a. 50th Anniversary Committee Report b. Legislative Committee Report</p>	<p>R. Messina Captor</p>
<p>1:25 P.M. (15 min)</p>	<p><b>14. Open Council Discussion</b></p>	<p>R. Messina Captor</p>
<p>1:40 P.M. (5 min)</p>	<p><b>15. In Memoriam</b></p>	<p>N. Miner</p>
<p>1:45 P.M. (5 min)</p>	<p><b>16. Closing Remarks</b></p> <p><i>Call for agenda items for June 26, 2026, Council Meeting</i></p>	<p>R. Messina Captor</p>
<p>1:50 P.M.</p>	<p><b>17. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>R. Messina Captor</p>



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1. *All times indicated and the orders of business are approximate and subject to change.*
2. *Any item listed on the agenda is subject to possible Council action.*
3. *A brief mid-meeting break may be taken at the call of the Chair.*
4. *The CAC retains the right to convene an advisory committee meeting pursuant to Government Code Sec. 11125 (d).*
5. *Public meetings held featuring a virtual/Zoom component will include online Spanish and ASL interpreters whenever possible. Should you need additional reasonable accommodations, please make sure you request no later than May 11 at 5 p.m. Please direct your request to the Public Affairs Specialist, Kimberly Brown, at [kimberly.brown@arts.ca.gov](mailto:kimberly.brown@arts.ca.gov).*
6. *Public comment instructions will be provided at <https://arts.ca.gov/about/council-meetings/>*
7. *Arts and cultural organizations or coalitions that wish to be scheduled on an upcoming agenda must submit a request to [info@arts.ca.gov](mailto:info@arts.ca.gov) outlining a synopsis of their work and their purpose for inclusion at a Council meeting. All requests will be sent to the Council Chair for consideration and may or may not be accepted and subsequently scheduled.*