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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
LAKE COMMUNITY ARTS, INC.**

The undersigned acting as incorporator of this corporation pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida statutes, hereby forms a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida and adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

ARTICLE I- NAME AND ADDRESS OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation shall be Lake Community Arts, Inc. The address of the corporation shall be 5545 Bowman Drive, Winter Garden Florida 34787. The mailing address of the corporation shall be the same.

ARTICLE II - CORPORATE NATURE

This is a nonprofit corporation, organized solely for charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not for Profit Law set forth in Section 617 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE III - DURATION

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES

This corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The specific and primary purpose for which this corporation is formed is to

- (a) enrich the cultural life of Lake County, Florida, by providing inclusive, high-quality performing arts opportunities for all residents;
- (b) To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes; and
- (c) To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attaining of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly, and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, association, trusts, institution, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.

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All of the foregoing purposes shall be exercised exclusively charitable and educational purposes in such a manner that the Corporation will qualify as an exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The Corporation shall be authorized to exercise all the powers as permitted under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes and in accordance with the guidelines as set forth in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE V - AUTHORIZED MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

A. This corporation shall be authorized but not required to issue membership certificates.

B. Except as otherwise prescribed by Florida law, each certificate shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote.

ARTICLE VI - MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

A. Board of Directors. The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, consisting of not less than three (3) persons. The initial number of Directors of the corporation shall be four (4) persons provided however, that such number may be changed by a By-Law duly adopted by the members.

The Directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the first meeting of members at which time an election of Directors shall be held.

Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one (1) year until the annual meeting of members following the election of Directors and until the qualification of the successors in office. Annual meetings shall be held at the offices of the corporation on September 1 of each year or at such other place or date as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the Directors. Any certification or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting, and that the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of this corporation authorize the Directors to act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

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The names and addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Leiland Theriot	3502 Rollingbrook Street Clermont Florida 34711
Christopher Fahmie	368 W. Montrose Street Clermont Florida 34711
Rachel Robertson	1245 Priory Circle Winter Garden Florida 34787
Nathaniel McClellan	5545 Bowman Drive Winter Garden Florida 34787

B. Officers. The names and addresses of the initial Officers are as follows:

Leiland Theriot	3502 Rollingbrook Street Clermont Florida 34787	President
Christopher Fahmie	368 W. Montrose Street Clermont Florida 34711	Vice-President
Rachel Robertson	1245 Priory Circle Winter Garden Florida 34787	Secretary
Nathaniel McClellan	5545 Bowman Drive Winter Garden Florida 34787	Treasurer

The Officers named herein shall hold office until the first meeting of members at which time an election of Officers shall be held.

ARTICLE VII - EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF CORPORATION

A. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV hereof.

B. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII - DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for public purposes. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes of such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IX - MEMBERSHIP

The qualifications for members and the manner of their admission shall be regulated by the Bylaws for this corporation.

ARTICLE X - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is as follows:

Name

Address

Leiland Theriot

3502 Rollingbrook Street
Clermont Florida 34711

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

Subject to the limitations contained in the By-Laws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporation Not for Profit Law of the State of Florida, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, By-Laws of this corporation must be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new By-Laws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the Board of Directors, or by the procedure set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE XII - DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

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ARTICLE XIII - REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The address of the corporation's registered office shall be 886 South Dillard Street, Winter Garden, Florida 34787 and the name of its registered agent at said address shall be C. Nick Asma, Esquire

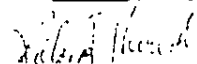
ARTICLE XIV - AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors and presented to a quorum of members for their vote in the manner set forth in the By-Laws of this corporation.

ARTICLE XV - INDEMNIFICATION

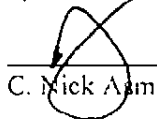
Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him (or by his heirs, executors or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such Director or Officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. Such right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such Director or Officer (or such heirs, executors or administrators) may be entitled apart from this Article.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF The undersigned, being the Incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 16th day of April 2025.



Leiland Theriot

Having been named as Registered Agent for the above stated Corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of statutes relative to the property and complete performance of my duties.



C. Nick Asma

Date: 4/16/2025

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