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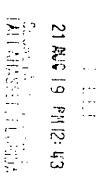
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August 17, 2021

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Re: Womens Art Council, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed is an original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced corporation. Please file the original, certify the copy, and return the certified copy to me at your earliest convenience. I have enclosed a check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the fees

Sincerely,

Charles Costin

**Enclosures** 

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

#### WOMEN'S ART COUNCIL, INC

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons competent to contract, hereby form a corporation not for profit, under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and do hereby certify that it has become such corporation under and pursuant to the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is "WOMEN'S ART COUNCIL, INC"

### ARTICLE II

- A. The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed is to operate for purposes within the meaning of Section 501 ( c ) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, Florida Statutes, Chapter 617 and 196, and Articles VII, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution, and to secure and distribute contributions from individuals, corporations, governmental entities and foundations to provide a platform where women artists can interact and seek and receive advice from other artists; facilitate workshops on techniques, marketing, media, technology, copywriting, scholarships, grants and other educational opportunities.
- B. The general purposes and powers are to have and to exercise all rights and powers conferred on non-profit corporations under the laws of Florida, including the power to contract, rent,

buy or sell personal or real property; provided, however that this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activity or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purposes of this corporation.

- C. The primary purposes of this corporation is to provide a mechanism for women artists as set forth in subsection "A" above and to solicit contributions in furtherance of the objectives and to provide needed resources to women artists for educational purposes whether directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.
- D. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publication or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

# ARTICLE III

This corporation is organized pursuant to the corporation's not for profit law of the State of Florida. This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the directors thereof, and it is organized for non-profit purposes.

# ARTICLE IV

The principal office for the transaction of the business of this corporation is located at 513 Hart Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. The registered agent of the corporation is Karen L. Cox-Dennis, and the registered office at which she is located is 513 Hart Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

# ARTICLE V

The Board of Directors of this corporation will consist of Seven (7) members. The initial directors and their addresses are as follows:

Karen Cox-Dennis
513 Hart Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Rachael Shaffer-Hensel 511 Hart Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Carina Krehl 300 10<sup>th</sup> Street #241 St. Petersburg, Florida 33705

Jessica Utley 2350 Phillips Road #8106 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Katherine Koran 427 Myrtle Drive Thomasville, Georgia 31792

Carson Grace Dennis 513 Hart Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Veronica Hernandez 100 Cadiz Street #105 Tallahassee, Florida 32301 Cathy Craig-Myers 1501 Chocksacka Nene Tallahassee, Florida 32301

# ARTICLE VI

The corporation shall have members, however with no voting rights as operation shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The election of directors and officers shall be as provided in the By-laws of the corporation.

### ARTICLE VII

This corporation is not organized, nor shall it be operated for the pecuniary gain or profit and it does not contemplate the distribution of gains, profits or dividends to the directors thereof and it is organized solely for non-profit purposes. property, assets, profits and net income of this corporation are irrevocably dedicated to purposes set forth and permitted under Section 501 (C) of the Internal Revenue Code and no part of the profits or net income of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any directors or officers thereof or to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual. Upon the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, the assets remaining after payment of, or provision for payment of, all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for purposes under Section 501 (C) of the Internal Revenue Code and which has established its tax-exempt status under Chapter 617,

Florida Statutes.

### ARTICLE VIII

The corporation shall exist in perpetuity.

# ARTICLE IX

A. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a Chairman (President/Exec Director), Vice-Chairman (Vice-President), Secretary, Treasurer (Finance Officer) and such other officers as the Board of Directors may from time to time appoint.

B. The officers of the corporation shall be elected annually in accordance with the By-Laws. Vacancies may be filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until the successor officer shall have been duly elected and qualified in accordance with the By-Laws.

C. The officers who will serve until the first election of officers:

Karen Cox-Dennis Chairperson/Executive Director

<u>Carina Krehl</u> Vice-Chairperson

Katherine Koran Secretary

Jessica Utley Treasurer

#### ARTICLE X

The By-Laws of this corporation may be made, amended or rescinded by the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE XI

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of this

corporation may be proposed and adopted as follows:

- 1. Any director may propose amendments to the Articles of Incorporation by giving written notice of the proposed amendment to all Directors of the corporation at least seven (7) days prior to any regular meeting by hand delivery or by certified receipt return; provided, receipt is within seven (7) days of said special meeting.
- 2. Duly proposed amendments shall be adopted only by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors present and voting at any meeting at which a quorum is present. A quorum shall be as set forth in the By-Laws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being persons herein above named as the first Directors, have executed these Articles of Incorporation on the  $\frac{1}{2}$  day of  $\frac{1}{2}$  day of  $\frac{1}{2}$  day of  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

By: Maren Cox-Dennis Inderporator

WOMEN'S ART COUNCIL, INC

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEON

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of August 2021, before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments and administer oaths, personally appeared KAREN COX-DENNIS, who is personally known to me or who produced \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ as identification, the incorporator signing the articles in the above corporation and he acknowledged before me that the proposed Articles of Incorporation are the free act and deed of the

incorporator and that the facts therein set are truly set forth and that she desires to associate himself pursuant to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of becoming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my willical seal at Tallahassee, Florida, in the State and County affresaid of the day and year first above written.

My Comm. Expires
October 29. 2024
No. HH 58689
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following is submitted in compliance with said act: The public of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the

First, that WOMEN'S ART COUNCIL, INC, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at Port St. Joe, Gulf County, Florida, has named KAREN COX-DENNIS., of 513 Hart Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said act relative to keeping pen said office.

> Karen Cox-Dennis Registered Agent 503 Hart Street

Tallahassee, Florida 3230

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