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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 21, 1982

APPOINTMENT TO
COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL
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City Clerk Reimche announced that word had been received from the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors advising that Naomi Carey of Lodi had been appointed to the County Arts Council - District 4.

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NEWS RELEASE: 15 Residents Appointed to County Arts Council

At a recent meeting ~~1982~~ ¹⁹⁸¹ ~~the~~ ^{on} ~~San~~ ^{August 8, 1981} ~~Joaquin~~ ^{at 8:52} County Board of Supervisors fifteen individuals were selected from among 27 applicants for appointment to the newly formed County Arts Council.

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CITY CLERK
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The Board of Supervisors was impressed with both the number of applicants for the council and with the qualifications and expertise of the candidates.

Appointments to the Arts Council are by Supervisorial District and the applicants must meet three of the four criteria listed below in order to be eligible:

1. Be a practicing artist in one or more of the recognized art forms,
2. Have knowledge about one or more of the art forms,
3. Must have demonstrated involvement in the community, and
4. Possess some particular expertise that is appropriate to furthering the Arts Council.

District 1 (Supervisor Yoshikawa)

- Rodolfo Garcia (Stockton)-artist and S.U.S.D. Instructor.
- Tommie Ware (Stockton)-Assistant Administrator in U.O.P.'s Community Involvement Program and Instructor of Black Theater at S.J. Delta College.
- Nellie Zavala (Lathrop)-A Quality Controller for a local firm and community leader.

District 2 (Supervisor Wilhoit)

- Ruth Blank Best (Stockton)-Marketing Director for Big Valley Cablevision.
- Keith Dennison (Stockton)-Director of Haggin Museum.

District 3 (Supervisor Alva)

- Robyn Lambie (Stockton)-musician.
- Jack Ray (Stockton)-Youth Authority employee and active leader in a community singing group.

District 4 (Supervisor Barber)

- Naomi Carey (Lodi)-accountant and writer.
- Mariquita O'Neill (Morada area)-English teacher and active member in drama circles.
- Lucinda Reinold (Lodi)-Art History Professor.
- Ruth Surdez (Woodbridge)-sculptor.



District 5 (Supervisor Costa)

Mary Albertsen (Ripon)-community leader and active supporter of the arts.

Eric Potter (Tracy)-businessman, gallery owner.

Annette Van Laar (Escalon)-community leader with art, music, and dance background.

Judy Wentworth (Manteca)-teacher and community leader.

These individuals will serve staggered 4 year terms of office without salary or benefits. The mission of the Arts Council is to promote and encourage participation and public awareness in the fine and performing arts throughout San Joaquin County. The Arts Council will serve as a planning and programming agency for county-wide activities (such as touring performances, speakers and exhibitions) as well as a fundraising and granting agency for the dissemination of funds to arts organizations throughout the county. The Arts Council will also serve as an advisory group to the Board of Supervisors on matters pertaining to the arts.

The formation of the San Joaquin County Arts Council developed from recommendations included in the extensive 1981 study of the arts in San Joaquin County. ^{The study was} prepared by Larry Walker and Chisato Watanabe for the Stockton Arts Commission under the auspices of a \$12,000 Bloc Grant awarded to the County by the California Arts Council.

The study revealed that the level of artistic and cultural activity in the area is quite high and that residents of the County benefit both ideologically as well as economically when the arts flourish. The study also pointed out a number of inadequacies (with respect to the arts) common to most of the communities of the County.

According to Walker and Watanabe, Planning Coordinators for the study, "the new Arts Council will face many challenges but we are confident that this group will meet those challenges and we are sure that the residents of San Joaquin County will support the efforts of this group once they recognize that the Council is working to improve the quality of life for all of us." Until officers are elected, questions about the operations and activities of the Arts Council may be directed to the Stockton Arts Commission, to Larry Walker or to Chisato Watanabe.