



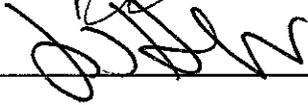
**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Mayor's Office, Department of Community Planning & Economic
Development and the Minneapolis Arts Commission**

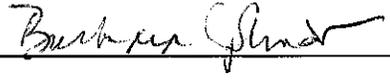
Date: August 3, 2011

To: Council Member Gary Schiff, Zoning and Planning Committee

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Approved by: Barbara Sporlein, Planning Director 

Approved by: Jeremy Hanson, Deputy Mayor 

Approved by: Barbara Johnson, Council President 

Presenters in Committee:

Subject: Appointments to the Minneapolis Arts Commission

Recommendation: Approve the following (Mayor/Council) appointments

Name of Appointee	Appointed by Mayor or Council	Ward	New or Reappointment	Number of years of term	Term Beginning/Ending	Replacing or fulfilling the term of another member: Name
James Bartsch	Council	12	New	¼ Year	09/01/11 – 12/31/11	Pamela Caserta
Blake G. Iverson	Council	7	New	¼ Year	09/01/11 – 12/31/11	Rachael Crew
Leanne E. Johnson	Mayor	9	New	1 ¼ Year	09/01/11 – 12/31/11	Kate Iverson

Previous Directives

None

Financial Impact

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

Background/Supporting Information Attached

James Bartsch [Administration]

James' background is primarily in music and education. As an Education Director with the Minnesota Orchestra since 1999, he is responsible for producing the Orchestra's School and Family concerts, outreach, and other educational programs. A primary educational goal is to increase access for all segments of our community by reducing logistical or financial barriers, or by providing educational materials and experience that will increase the relevance and understanding of the music we perform. r

Blake G. Iverson [Administration]

Blake is an entertainment attorney with Friedman Iverson, PLLC, specializing in artist's rights. He is also a musician, having performed with various groups in and around Minneapolis for more than fifteen years, and a freelance writer. He is currently serving as Secretary for the Arts and Entertainment section of the Minnesota Bar Association.

Leann E. Johnson [Artist]

Leann has over 15 years experience as a graphic designer and illustrator with Beautopia LLC, Minneapolis Public Schools, and the New York Times, as clients. She served as a panelist for the Metropolitan Regional Arts council reviewing proposals to determine grants awards. Leann also served as an advisory board member for d-underbelly (an interdisciplinary network of artists of color, now based in New York).