



Contextural Member Meeting AGENDA/MINUTES

Wednesday, Nov 11, 2026 @ 7:00

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Agenda

Topic	Time	File	ACTION	Team member
Call meeting to order	1 min			
Review and approve past member meeting minutes	5 min	1. 2026 Contextural Memb...		Charis Birch...
Board Report - President's report - Treasurer's report and budget update	5 min	2026 Budget Check in for ...	review	Julie Baratta
Marketing & Social Media - social media stats - Website additions and improvements	5 min	2026 Marketing & Social ...	review	Donna C
Membership Engagement - Current members - 48 - Prospects - Sonia - vote this meeting - Recent critique - Oct. 7 - success at A/P! - Upcoming Fibre Club - cancelled - Next critique - in 2027 - Newsletter update/ check in	10 min	2026 Membership Update...		cecemarinar...

Exhibitions & Events - Past Exhibitions - Polar - Prospective Exhibitions - Taking up Space	10 min	2026 Exhibition Updates f...	review	Margaret R ...
Summer Residency Program 2026 Program updates	15 min	2026 Summer Residency ...	discussion	Julie Baratta
Strategic Planning & Board Development Feasibility study next steps on hold until fall 2026	1 min	2026 Space Feasibility Stu... Contextural_Executive Rep...	No updates	Julie Baratta
Fibre Arts Sale - Friday, Nov 20 and Sat, Nov 21 - Our biggest sale yet - 21 participants - All participants please remain online for the sale meeting starting at 8:00	10 min	2026 Fibre Art Sale Update... 2026 SALE AGENDA/MIN... 2026 Promotional Guide f...	review	Charis Birch...
Upcoming Events - Fibre Club: November 16 - Holiday Social: January 2027? - Draft 2027 schedule	5 min	2026 Contextural Member...		Charis Birch...
Other Items				Charis Birch...
Adjournment - XXX PM (Sale meeting to proceed)				

Summary or key decisions

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Action items

Ideas for later

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Details

Raw notes

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Contextural Member Meeting AGENDA/MINUTES

Wednesday, Sept 9, 2026 @ 7:00

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Agenda

Topic	Time	File	ACTION	Team member
Call meeting to order Bonnie Portelance-Mayer, Margaret Hall, Chris Verhoeven, Terri Illingworth, Cece Charis Birchall, Melissa Wilson, Julie Baratta, Kitty Willow, Sabine Lecorre-Moore, Sky Weir, Sab Sbarzella, Geraldine Ysselstein Guests: Tracy Wormsbecker	1 min			
Review and approve past member meeting minutes Motion to approve - Charis 2nd - Julie Passed	5 min	 1. 2026 Contextural Mem...		Charis Birc...
Board Report - President's report - Treasurer's report and budget update	5 min	 2026 Budget Check in for...	review	Julie Baratta
Marketing & Social Media - social media stats - Website additions and improvements	5 min	 2026 Marketing & Social ...	review	Donna C

Membership Engagement • Current members - 47 • Prospects - • Recent critique - • Upcoming Fibre Club - Sept. 14 • Next critique - Oct. 7 • Newsletter update/ check in	10 min	 2026 Membership Update...		cecemarina...
Exhibitions & Events • Past Exhibitions - Polar • Prospective Exhibitions - Taking up Space	10 min	 2026 Exhibition Updates f...	review	Margaret R ...
Summer Residency Program • 2026 Program updates	15 min	 2026 Summer Residency ...	discussion	Julie Baratta
Strategic Planning & Board Development • Feasibility study next steps on hold until fall 2026	1 min	 2026 Space Feasibility St...  Contextural_Executive Re...	No updates	Julie Baratta
Fibre Arts Sale • Friday, Nov 20 and Sat, Nov 21 • Volunteer/participant interest for 2026 sale • Review meeting dates/deadlines • All participants please remain online for the first official sale meeting starting at 8:00	10 min	 2026 Fibre Art Sale Updat...  2026 Fibre Arts Sale Parti...  2026 Fibre Arts Sale Volu...  2026 SALE AGENDA/MI...	review	Charis Birc...
Upcoming Events • Fibre Club: Sept. 14 at Terri's • Critique Night: Oct 7 at Alberta Printmakers Society • Member meeting November 11	5 min	 2026 Contextural Member...		Charis Birc...
Other Items • ACAD alumni Julie and Charis are in an exhibition - From Campus to Community • Sabine Lecorre-Moore official unveiling of <i>Vestiges, village et visages</i>, Saturday, September 26, 2026 2:00–4:00 p.m. Maison Rouleau 1880 1 St SW, Calgary		https://cspacemardaloop.com/event/hallway-gallery-from-campus-to-community-auarts-x-cspacel/		Charis Birc...

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- Red Deer open studios this weekend - go visit Margaret! Saturday, September 12th and Sunday, September 13th 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
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Adjournment - 7:53 PM (Sale meeting to proceed)

Summary or key decisions

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Action items

- ☐ Looking for new Treasurer
- ☐ Get in touch with Cece about future fibre club, crit nights or ideas for other member get-togethers
- ☐ Let Cece know your thoughts about extending to a 2 year membership cycle
- ☐ Review fibre arts sale materials
- ☐ Send signed sale contracts and pay fees to Contextural (deadline Sept 12, extensions possible)

Ideas for later

- 2 year membership - 1 year to start new members

Details

Raw notes

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Contextural Member Meeting AGENDA/MINUTES

Saturday, May 9, 2026 @ 11:15 *(immediately following the AGM)*

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Agenda

Topic	Time	File	ACTION	Team member
Call meeting to order - 11:26 AM Attendees: Amanda, Barb, Bonnie, Dana, Catherine, Cece, Chantel, Charis, Christina, Donna, Ghislaine, Jodie, Julie, Kirsten, Kitty, Leslie B., Linda R., Louise, Margot, Nicole, Sabine, Shellie, Sky, Tania, Wendy, Geraldine	1 min			
Review and approve past member meeting minutes Motion to approve - Charis 2nd - Julie Passed	5 min	 1. 2026 Contextural Mem...		Charis Birc...
Board Report - President's report - Treasurer's report and budget update	10 min	 2026 Budget Check in for...	review	Charis Birchall Siri McCormick
Marketing & Social Media - social media stats - Website additions and improvements	5 min	 2026 Marketing & Social ...	review	Donna C
Membership Engagement Current members - 45	10 min	 2026 Membership Update...		Amanda Kri...

- Prospects - 7
- Recent critique - Nickle Galleries
- Upcoming Fibre Club - May 25, 1:30-3:30
- Next critique at AUArts - June 10
- Newsletter update/ check in

Exhibitions & Events • Past Exhibitions - Polar • Prospective Exhibitions - Taking up Space	10 min	2026 Exhibition Updates f...	review	Margaret R ...
Fibre Arts Sale • Friday, Nov 20 and Sat, Nov 21 • Volunteer interest for 2026 sale	10 min	2026 Fibre Art Sale Updat... 2026 Fibre Arts Sale Role...	review tasks schedule meeting	Charis Birc...
Summer Residency Program • 2026 Program updates • Call for volunteer - Residency Support	15 min	2026 Summer Residency ... Contextural Volunteer Re...	discussion	Julie Baratta
Strategic Planning & Board Development • Feasibility study update and next steps	10 min	2026 Space Feasibility St...	discussion	Julie Baratta
Upcoming Events • Fibre Club: May 25 • Residency begins: May 23 • Critique Night: June 10	5 min	2026 Contextural Member...		Charis Birc...
Other Items •				Charis Birc...
Adjournment - 12:20 PM				

Summary or key decisions

- Chantel will be taking over the newsletter management
- Sabine is the winner of the Residency scholarship

Action items

- ☐ Treasurer - New software in use. The budget is on track and will be finalised in June's Board meeting.
- ☐ Social Media - Call to membership for photos of work or process for social media content.
- ☐ Membership - Looking for a volunteer to take over planning of the crit nights.
- ☐ Exhibitions - Polar pieces will need to be steamed/adjusted prior to the next show.
- ☐ Residency - Looking for support and volunteers – various tasks, studio monitors, etc.
 - ☐ 100th AUArts, Contextural 20th
 - ☐ Sky to coordinate a birthday card (group piece) for exhibition
- ☐ Sale - Restructured what participation in sale means and roles that need to be filled
 - ☐ Support needed for all key roles
 - ☐ June info session for those interested
- ☐ Feasibility Study - To continue working on operational changes to support the possibility of a permanent space.
 - ☐ Summary of study to be shared with group in the future
 - ☐ Expect more member engagement on this topic

Ideas for later

- Consider splitting scholarship into 2 part time, fellowship for emerging artists

Details

Raw notes

- Feasibility Study
 - Currently defining a path forward – Do we proceed with permanent space?
 - Need to grow membership to support a space – 100 members is current goal
 - Understand needs of group
 - Strengthen partnerships with other orgs
 - Organizational capacity – Volunteer or paid

- Sustainable funding model – What does this look like? Revenue structure – memberships, fees, etc.



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Wednesday, March 11, 2026 @ 7:00

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Agenda

Topic	Time	File	ACTION	Team member
Call meeting to order meeting called to order 7:07 Attendance: ? Charis, Heather, Amanda, Julie, Siri, Donna, Margaret, Chantel, Sky, Sabine, Terri, Cece, Wendy, Catherine	1 min			
Review and approve past member meeting minutes	5 min	 2025.11.12 Contextural M...	motion to approve Charis Seconded by Julie	Charis Birc...
Board Report - President's report - overview of new agenda format - Treasurer's report and budget update	10 min		review  2026 Budget ...	Charis Birchall Siri McCormick
Marketing & Social Media - social media stats - Website additions and improvements	5 min	 2026 Marketing & Social ...	review	Donna C
Membership Engagement - current members - 43 - new prospects - 2 (vote tonight!) - Newsletter update/ check in	10 min	 2026 Membership Update...	(new member approval moved to end of meeting so that Sabine could	Amanda Kri...

- Recent Post Holiday Social - Recent Critique - Feb 11 - Upcoming Fibre Club - Mar 16 - April critique field trip				attend majority before recusing herself)	
Exhibitions & Events - Past Exhibitions. Polar in storage until 2027 after being shown in Jan 2026 unless there is another opportunity this year. - Prospective Exhibitions 'Taking up space' one pieces gathered they will be photographed artist statement written and a submission package put together ready for calls that may come in September.	10 min	 2026 Exhibition Updates f...	review		Margaret R ...
Fibre Arts Sale - Friday, Nov 20 and Sat, Nov 21 - New sale lead - Volunteer interest for 2026 sale	10 min	 2026 Fibre Art Sale Updat...	discussion		Charis Birc...
Summer Residency Program 2026 Program updates - Special planning for AUArts centennial year - Application review committee - Call for volunteer - Residency Support	15 min	 2026 Summer Residency ...  Contextural Volunteer Re...	discussion		Julie Baratta
Strategic Planning & Board Development Feasibility study update and next steps	10 min		discussion		Julie Baratta
Upcoming Events - Fibre Club: March 16 - Miniature show form due: March 31 - Critique Night: Thursday, April 9 - Member meeting/AGM: May 9	5 min	 2026 Contextural Member...			Charis Birc...
Other Items - Intro of all attending Contextural members - New member approval: Kirsten Ringstrom & Sabine Lecorre-Moore - opening tomorrow at Stride Gallery				Amanda moved to accept Kirsten Ringstrom & Sabine Lecorre-Moore as members	Charis Birc...

Adjournment 8:34 PM

Summary or key decisions

- Kirsten Ringstrom & Sabine Lecorre-Moore accepted as new members
- Next Critique day will be at Nickle Art Gallery
- Next fibre club will be at Nicholls family library

Action items

- ☐ Provide Amanda with feedback on the monthly newsletter if you have them
- ☐ Reach out to Amanda with feedback on the Holiday Social
- ☐ Exhibition committee and/or Amanda will send current call for submissions to new members
- ☐ Call for residency review committee: will likely leverage member review committee - Christina expressed interest in joining committee
- ☐ Call for residency admin/on-site support volunteers: Sky interested in serving as studio monitor
- ☐ Request to include rough time estimate on future volunteer/calls for committee members
- ☐ Feasibility study committee will review and discuss findings and present at AGM/May member meeting

Ideas for later

- Future exhibitions we will be looking for calls that do not require artists to be present for hanging
- Will look at potentially standardizing artwork hanging for future calls for travelling shows: Members requesting/open to feedback on hanging instructions

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- Holiday social feedback: enjoyed having the holiday social on a saturday during the day after the holidays - casual hangout format nice
- Feb critique: talk a lot about miniature show, 80s fashion, and hanging ideas
- Polar returned - will be pressing pieces before it is sent off to the next show
- Residency update: we will only know the class schedule for continuing ed classes closer to the start of the residency and will not know the impacts of those or potential water restrictions until they are announced - may have elevator maintenance scheduled this summer
- feasibility study update: what we need as an organization to support a permanent space , committee will meet to review and discuss report, findings, and next steps, and present paths forward (immediate take-aways: larger membership, more funding sources, dedicated studio management/support through paid position, dedicated board position oriented towards studio management)
- location of AGM TBD