



2021

Annual Report

Community Appearance Commission of Winston-Salem & Forsyth County



A Note from the Chair

This past year witnessed the continued effects of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, which has left an indelible mark on our community. The Community Appearance Commission (CAC) has largely been able to adapt its work to life during the pandemic with all of the Commission's meetings this year being held virtually. Unfortunately, Community Roots Day was canceled for the second consecutive year due to safety concerns related to holding this event during the pandemic. It is our hope that we are able to hold Community Roots Day again in the fall of 2022.

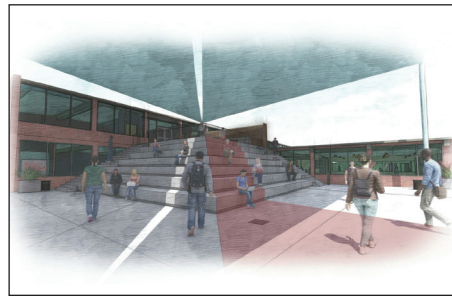
The Commission was able to continue with one of its core responsibilities of reviewing and providing design input for publicly funded projects. In 2021, the Commission reviewed renovations for a school, recreation center, park, and a proposed boat storage building. The CAC is also looking forward to sponsoring and organizing the next biennial Community Appearance Awards Program in the spring of 2023.

We appreciate the ongoing support of the Winston-Salem City Council, Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, and the City-County Planning Board. We are hoping that 2022 will be a productive year for the CAC as it continues to work to improve the visual character and aesthetic quality of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. We also look forward to the day when we can completely return to our Commission's regular, in-person activities. As always, our members and I welcome suggestions for programs and potential partnerships that we can undertake to better serve the community.

Anton Moussaev, Chair

Technical Advisory and Project Review Committee

The Technical Advisory and Project Review (TAPR) Committee continued in its role of reviewing the appearance and design of publicly funded projects and providing comments and recommendations for how the aesthetics of these projects can be improved. In 2021, the Committee reviewed four publicly-funded projects, including: substantial renovations of North Forsyth High School and Belview Recreation Center, as well as renovation work at Hanes Park and a proposed boat house at Salem Lake for Wake Forest's Rowing Club. The Committee looks forward to continuing its work of reviewing and providing design input on projects in 2022.



Proposed "Learning Stair" at North Forsyth High School
Image credit: DLR Group



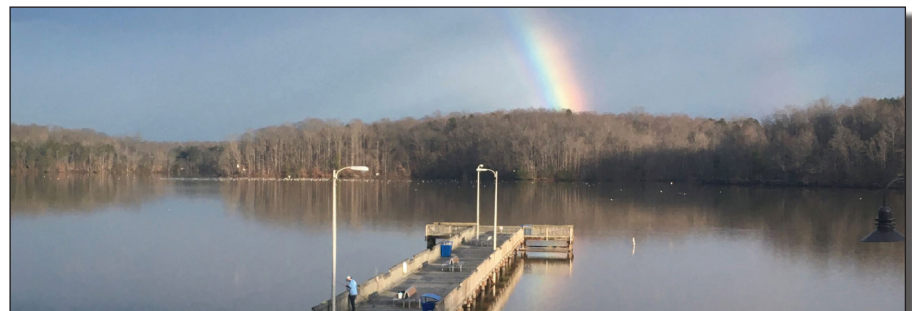
Proposed Renovation of Belview Recreation Center
Image credit: McKissick Architecture



Proposed Belview Recreation Center Gymnasium and Community Mural Wall
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Hanes Park Tennis Courts Proposed for Renovation
Image credit: City of Winston-Salem, Recreation & Parks Department Website



Salem Lake
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Education and Awards Committee

The last Community Appearance Awards Program was held online in November 2020. This was the 17th Awards Program and the first time this event was held virtually. The CAC sponsors the biennial Awards Program to honor the efforts of businesses, individuals, and community groups who have had a positive impact on the appearance of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. As this event is typically held in the late spring or early summer, staff has decided to resume this schedule and hold the next Awards Program in the late spring or early summer of 2023. The Committee hopes to return to hosting this event in-person and is looking forward to commencing Awards Program planning in the spring of 2022.

Trees and Woodlands Committee

Community Roots Day, the annual volunteer tree-planting event, was canceled again this year due to safety concerns related to holding this in-person event during the pandemic. The Trees and Woodlands Committee, Keep Winston-Salem Beautiful, and the Winston-Salem Vegetation Management Department are hopeful that we will be able to hold the 28th annual Community Roots Day in the fall of 2022.



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