CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 9, 2025

PREPARED BY: Erica Powell, Management Analyst

SUBJECT: PROJECT STATUS REPORT FOR APRIL 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file project status report for April 2025.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

1. 2025 Desert X Exhibition

The exhibition currently features 11 large-scale, site-specific installations across the Coachella Valley, running from March 8 to May 11, 2025. In Palm Desert, visitors can experience Truth Arrives in Slanted Beams by Sarah Meyohas at Portola Avenue and Frank Sinatra Drive and Double Horizon by Raphael Hefti at Cap Homme Adams Park. For details, visit www.desertx.org.

2. Poet's Oasis Workshop

Poet's Oasis is a free, twice-monthly poetry workshop at the Palm Desert Library, welcoming both new and seasoned poets in a supportive, generative writing environment. Sessions include craft discussions, poetry prompts, dedicated writing time, and feedback. The final session of the 2025-2026 season will be held on **April 16, 2025, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.**, celebrating National Poetry Month with live acoustic music and refreshments. The event is free and open to the public.