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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SOKY ARTS COLLECTIVE, INC.

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

That the undersigned Incorporator, a resident of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and a citizen of the United States of America, over the age of eighteen (18) years, does herewith form and organize a non-stock, non-profit Corporation, pursuant to Sections 273.161 through 273.390 Kentucky Revised Statutes, as herein provided.

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be known as: SOKY ARTS COLLECTIVE, INC.

ARTICLE II DURATION

The period of duration of this corporation shall be perpetual, unless sooner dissolved pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

ARTICLE III PURPOSES AND POWERS

This Corporation shall be dedicated to bringing artistic opportunities to South Central Kentucky.

This Corporation shall have and exercise all powers available to a nonprofit Corporation, and it is empowered to do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in advancement thereof which is not prohibited by Kentucky Corporation Act or other provisions of these Articles.

Further, the Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or its successor sections. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, this Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by any organization exempt from Federal Income Taxes under said Section.

ARTICLE IV INCORPORATOR/REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The Incorporator of this Corporation and its initial registered agent is:

Raeanne Brown

The address of the initial registered agent is:

Raeanne Brown 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141

The address of the principal office of the Corporation shall be:

131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141

ARTICLE V NON-STOCK, NONPROFIT CORPORATION

This Corporation shall have no capital stock, shall have no power to issue certificates of stock or to declare dividends, and it is not formed for and shall not be operated or necessary for retirement of indebtedness or implementation of the charitable purposes of the Corporation shall not inure to the benefit of any person, and the Corporation shall be created and operated solely and only to accomplish one or more of the purposes stated in these Articles.

ARTICLE VI LIMITATION OF USE OF ASSETS; DISPOSITION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION

All of the assets and earnings of the Corporation shall be used exclusively for the purposes herein set out, including the payment of expenses incidental thereto; no individual, and no substantial part of its activities shall be for political purposes, participating in or intervening in a political campaign (including the publishing or distributing of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office, the carrying of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall the Corporation engage in any activity which may affect the status of the Corporation as a non-stock, nonprofit Corporation exempt from Federal and Kentucky income taxes within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as now or hereafter amended) and the Kentucky Revised Statutes, and with interest on its obligations being exempt from Federal and Kentucky income taxes under said Code and Statutes.

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation, exclusively for the purposes of the organizations organized and operated exclusively for the charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under the Internal Revenue Code, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated for such purposes.

ARTICLE VII NO MEMBERS: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Corporation may have members but members shall not have the right to vote on any action of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall conduct the affairs and the business of the Corporation.

The number of Directors of this Corporation shall be fixed by the By-Laws and may be increased or decreased from time to time in the manner specified therein. The initial Board of Directors consists of seven (7) Directors, and the names and addresses of the persons who shall serve as Directors until the successors are elected and qualify unless they resign or are removed are as follows:

- 1. Raeanne Brown, President, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141
- Tracy Martin, Vice-president, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141
- 3. Hayley Pedan, Treasurer, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141
- Micah Page, Secretary, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141
- Gregory McCord, Board Member, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141
- Sarah McCord, Board Member, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141
- Ellen Murrey-Lockhart, Board Member, 131 B North Public Square Glasgow, KY 42141

The Board of Directors shall have the right immediately to adopt By-Laws and transact business upon behalf of the Corporation after these Articles of Incorporation have been filed in the office of the Secretary of State of Kentucky and in the office of the County Clerk of Barren County. The Board of Directors shall have the right to appoint a committee or committees of two or more Directors with authority, if granted by the Board of Director, to exercise any and all of the powers of the Board of Directors, except as may be limited by Section 273.221 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS

The General officers of the Corporation shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer or as determined by the Board of Directors and elected by the Board of Directors. Officers shall serve for the period established in the By-Laws or until their successors take office, and vacancies, if any, shall be filled by the Board of Directors. The officers shall have the usual duties customarily assigned to their office, together with such additional duties that may from time to time be delegated by the Board of Directors or as may be prescribed by the By-Laws.

<u>ARTICLE IX</u> NO PERSONAL LIABILITY

The Incorporator nor the Directors nor their private property shall be subject to or in any way liable for any debt or contract of this Corporation.

In witness whereof, the undersigned Incorporator has herein set his hand, on this February 1, 2025.

Raeanne Brown, Incorporator

STATE OF KENTUCKY) COUNTY OF BARREN)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me, this February **2**/2, 2025, by RAEANNE BROWN, Incorporator.

BRUCE BROWN
KY NOTARY PUBLIC
COMMISSION #KYNP61381
COMMISSION EXPIRES NOV 1, 2026

NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE AT LARGE
My Commission Expires: 1126
Notary ID: KVNP(a) 3 81

CONSENT OF INITIAL AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS TO SERVE

I, RAEANNE BROWN, having a principal place of business of 131b North Public Square, Glasgow, Kentucky 42141, hereby agree and consent to serve as registered office and agent for service of process of SOKY ARTS COLLECTIVE, Inc.

RAEANNE BROWN
Date: 2225