
stretch across committees to deliver relevant news and updates to the membership and the community at large. The Committee is responsible for ensuring that all governance-related documents including, but not limited to, Articles of Incorporation, Mission Statement, By-Laws, Board Meeting schedules, Board minutes, monthly financial reports, and committee meeting schedules are placed online. (from Website)

4. **Community Safety** – David Montgomery, Chair

Members: Judy Bross, Dorothy DeCarlo,
George DiMeglio, Phil Graff, Brad
Kessler, Katie Langer, Jeffry Peters
Brad Neuman

Mission: The mission of the Community Safety Committee (CSC) is to address safety/security issues in the Triangle by (1) educating residents and property owners on measures they can take to increase their safety and the safety of their property, (2) work closely with CPD 18th District and Aldermen’s office to enhance safety in the Triangle, and (3) improve communication among neighbors to create a sense of community. (from Website)

5. **Events** – Marya Lucas, Chair

Members: Eurydice Chrones, Kathy Clark, Margaret
Croke, Katherine Keenan, Abby Spurlin,
Donna Zarei, Payam Zarei

Mission: The mission of the Events Committee is to create, plan, develop and execute inclusive events for the Old Town Triangle Association. The Committee also works in conjunction with the other committees to help facilitate their events with planning and volunteer support. In addition to Members only events, this committee is responsible for collaborating with the Membership committee on ways to increase our membership through events and outreach. (from Website)

6. **Grants** – Zac Bleicher, Chair

Members: Steve Nichols, Aneta Tomaszkiwicz

Mission: The mission of the Grants Committee is to oversee and administer the grant program that the Old Town Triangle Association offers to schools and organizations that serve our community and to support the stated mission and goals of the Old Town Triangle Association. Grant applications are accepted annually. Applications can either be downloaded from the OTTA website or picked up at the OTTA office. Proposals are evaluated on an annual basis with the application deadline April 1st. Grantees are honored and awards distributed at the Old Town Art Fair Thank You Party. (from Website)
[Note: revised Mission Statement under review]

7. **Historic District/Planning & Zoning** – Beth Burk, Chair

Members: Karl Hjerpe, Chris Wolfe, Zac Bleicher
Vi Daley, Diane Gonzalez, Phyllis Hall,
David Raino-Ogden, Corinne Rohr

Mission: The mission of the HD/PZ Committee is to preserve the architectural and historic character of the designated Chicago and National historic districts within the boundaries of the Old Town Triangle as well as advocate for strict zoning adherence.

On September 28, 1977, members of the Historic District Committee succeeded in having most of the Old Town Triangle area designated a Chicago Landmark by the City Council of Chicago. Today, the Historic District/Planning & Zoning Committee acts as a liaison between the Old Town Community and the Landmarks Commission, reporting the Committee's recommendations and working cooperatively with the Commission to preserve the historic character of the neighborhood.

Each month, members consider requests for proposed exterior changes to existing buildings, new construction, and applications for zoning changes in the Triangle. Their deliberations range from the appropriateness of building materials used in rehabbing and construction projects to the height of fences and building additions. The Guidelines for Alterations to Historic Buildings and New Construction, prepared by the Commission on Chicago Landmarks, serves as the guide for their recommendations. These recommendations are sent to the Alderman of the 43rd Ward and to appropriate city commissions and departments for approval. In every instance, the final decision on any rehab project rests with the Landmarks Commission.

Since neighborhood relations figure prominently in any rehabilitation project, members of the Historic District/Planning & Zoning Committee work with neighbors to maintain good relations between residents who are making changes to their properties and those who live in adjoining buildings. On matters of neighborhood-wide concern, a community meeting is held and all neighbors are invited to express their views on the issue. In most cases where a community meeting is held, the 43rd Ward Alderman is a key participant in the proceedings. (from Website) [Note: revised Mission Statement under review]

8. **Membership Engagement** – Elaine Frei, Chair

Members: Annette Hobbs Magier

Mission: The mission of the Membership Committee is to Maintain the existing membership and encourage neighbors (Old Town Art Fair volunteers, local businesses, Condo Associations, etc.) who are not currently members of the organization to join. The key role is the development and upkeep of the Association's database system. The Committee maintains connections with members and solicits new members. One does not have to be an Old Town Triangle resident to be able to join the Old Town Triangle Association. Only Triangle residents are given voting privileges. All members receive the OTTA newsletter, an *iBOT* card (*I Buy Old Town* discount card), and electronic email updates relating to area news and up-coming events. (from Website)

9. **Neighborhood Improvements** – Alan Lougee, Chair

Members: Laura Becker, Shel Beugen, Vi Daley,
Barbara Jacobazzi, Ken Smith, Sherry
Smith, Corinne Svoboda, Michael
Warnick

Mission: The mission of the Neighborhood Improvement Committee (NIC) is to develop and maintain the physical environment of the Old Town Triangle including improvement of open spaces, green areas, sidewalks, and parkways.

Even though Old Town is among the most vibrant, well situated, and rewarding of Chicago's neighborhoods, there is always room for improvement. NIC is committed to addressing the ongoing and changing needs of our community as is consistent with OTTA's organizational goals. Identifying and responding to those opportunities is the business of the Neighborhood Improvement Committee.

NIC identifies projects which address neighborhood needs and infrastructure opportunities within Old Town. NIC works with public and private offices to address those projects. NIC provides the maintenance of 10 green refuse containers scattered throughout the Triangle; replaces of aging benches in our parks; oversees the landscape in the "pocket" parks on Willow and Menomonee, the play lot in North Ogden Park, the maintenance of the Clark/Wisconsin Park, and additional projects pertaining to street-scape maintenance. The NIC oversees the [Old Town Parkways Tree Program](#), which is geared to help Old Town residents maintain the unique charm of our streetscapes. The program provides assistance to residents interested in replacing missing or dead trees in the parkways in front of their homes. (from Website)

Other Committees Summary

10. Finance – Brad Neuman, Chair

Members: Anne Giffels, Zac Bleicher,
Jack Schindler

Mission: TBD

11. Capital Improvements – Brad Neuman, Chair

Members: Barb Guttman, Ray Clark

Mission: The mission of the Capital Improvements Committee is to maintain and improve the OTTA physical facility and to make needed repairs or upgrades as necessary. (from Website)

12. Art Gallery – Ray Clark, Chair

Members: Norman Baugher, Shel Beugen,
Darlene Fahrenkrog, Reven Fellars,
Barb Guttman, Sandra Holubow,
Janet Lougee, Laurie Vale, Peter Vale

Mission: The mission of the Gallery Committee is to promote the Leslie Wolfe Gallery and its artists. Committee members serve as the jury for each year's gallery exhibit submissions, they attend openings, encourage artists to participate and friends and neighbors to attend events at the Gallery. They also recommend changes to programming, review past shows and make suggestions for changes. The committee meets several times a year. Artists interested in applying should visit the Old Town Art Center page of this website for additional information. (from Website)

13. Administration & Operations Director – Barb Guttman

Ad Hoc Committees**1. By-Laws – TBD, Chair****Members: TBD**

Mission: The mission of the By-Laws Committee to ensure the integrity of the Association's By-Laws. The subcommittee will meet every third year to review and make appropriate recommendations for By-Law revisions to the Board of Directors and Membership as needed. The By-Law Subcommittee last met in 2021 and will meet again in 2024. (from Website)

2. Nominating Committee – Annette Magiers, Chair**Members: Vi Daley, Carly Jenkins,
Katerine Keenan, Rick Rauch,
Caroline Vickery**

Mission: The Nominating Committee is selected at the Board meeting held in August each year. The committee will nominate individuals for the offices of President, First Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and for two open positions on the Board of Directors. Applications can be found [here](#). (from Website)

3. Strategic Planning Committee – Brad Neuman, Chair**Members: Dee DeCarlo, Rick Rausch, Barb
Guttman, Diane Fitzgerald,
Zac Bleicher, Phil Graff, Ray Clark
Consultant: John Engman**

Mission: As noted in various reports to the BOD

SPC Workgroups (4), as proposed –

1. Engagement – Dee DeCarlo
2. Collaboration and Advocacy – Phil Graff
3. Governance – Ray Clark
4. Fundraising and Operations – Diane Fitzgerald

4. Art Center Ad Hoc Committee – Ray Clark, Chair**Members: Vi Daley, Barb Guttman, Alan
Lougee, Peter Neagle, Chris Nelson,
Brad Neuman, Michael Warnick**

Mission: Manage and administer IL State Grant for Art Center improvements.

Lincoln Park Alliance [Note: See supplemental document for additional information]

1. Old Town Triangle Association <https://www.oldtowntriangle.com/>
2. Sheffield Neighborhood Association <http://www.sheffieldneighborhood.org/>
3. Mid-North Association <http://www.midnorthassociation.org/>
4. RANCH Triangle Community Conservation Association <https://www.ranchtriangle.org/>
5. Gold Coast Neighbors Association <https://www.goldcoastneighbors.org/>
6. Park West Community Association <https://parkwestcommunity.org/>
7. Lincoln Central Association <https://lincolncentral.org/>
8. Wrightwood Neighbors Association <https://www.wrightwoodneighbors.org/>

Other Community Organizations

1. Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce <https://www.lincolnparkchamber.com/>
2. Old Town Merchants & Residents Association <https://oldtownchicago.org/>