

**Answers by - Tracy Post Independent Candidate for Lieutenant Governor (running with Candidate for Governor Jeff McCormick)**

**Questions for Lieutenant Governor Candidates:**

*(Note: Questions 1-3 can be answered with a yes or no, but please feel free to elaborate beyond a one word answer)*

**1. As Lt. Governor, would you commit to an open door policy for the Massachusetts artists community and the creative sector?**

Yes. As a local elected official, I have always had an open door policy to all groups, citizens, and business leaders. We can only get things done if we listen to each other and have open lines of communication.

**2. Lt. Governors of our state have a great tradition of promoting the governor's policies throughout the state. If elected, would you advise the governor to make the promotion and support of our state's third largest economic sector, the creative economy, a top priority for your office? (The creative economy includes artists of all disciplines, arts and culture, the film sector, etc. )**

Yes. Jeff has a strong jobs program to grow the economy for all sectors of the Commonwealth. The creative economy has to be part of the conversation.

**3. The Lt. Governor sits on the Governor's Council, a clear sign that our state values his or her involvement in matters of justice. As Lt. Governor, would you commit your office to promoting justice for all workers, including artists of all disciplines, those involved in the arts, culture, the creative economy, and those who create intellectual property?**

Yes. I believe in justice for all citizens, regardless of discipline.

**4. Is there anything else you would like to share in regards to your policy and/or platforms that directly impacts artists of all disciplines and by extension the arts, culture, and creative economy communities?**

As a Commonwealth, we have put a strong emphasis on STEM education and I believe the arts needs to be included in STEM and make it STEAM. The arts round out students

to make them more eclectic individuals and better people. As Lt. Governor, I will push for the inclusion of arts in areas like education, housing, and justice.