Dancing While the Rug is Being Pulled Out From Under You

“Perspective on Moving Forward

1. Know your community
   • The Population
   • Socio-economic Make-up
   • Ethnicity
   • History vs. Perspective
   • Current Growth status
   • Challenges and Opportunities
   • Politics
2. Analyze what are the obstacles to success
   • Are there issues of trust?
   • Long held opinions?
   • Inadequate time to do the work?
   • Limited Resources?
   • Personal agendas vs community benefits?
   • People listening to gossip, instead of searching for the truth?
3. Establish Goals to address obstacles
   • What will address these issues, foster change over time?
   • Open Lines of communication?
   • Fostering collaboration?
   • Developing trust?
   • What will lead to economic growth though the arts?
   • What are the strategies for audience development/more community involvement in the arts?
4. How to get to where you want to be
   • Retain a positive attitude.
   • Put the community first over your personal preferences.
   • Remain open minded.
   • Put the past behind you.
   • Avoid the urge to bad mouth.
   • Align yourself with new partners.
   • Know the history associated with perspective.
   • Try, Try again!