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Dear Ron,

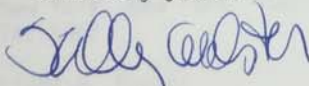
Thank you for attending last week's meeting of Alternative Spaces at the Kitchen. We thought you might be interested to know that fifty-one representatives from twenty-six spaces, six service organizations and three government agencies were in attendance. Thanks, too, for volunteering to serve on an *ad hoc* "action" committee, our first meeting is scheduled for next Monday, 23 November, 11 am at The Lower Manhattan Cultural Council, 32 Broadway, Suite 1707.

The purpose of the meeting is to address some of the issues which came up at the 2 November forum, and other concerns that have been mentioned to us informally. Some ideas and problems which merit consideration include immediate need Soho 20, 14 Sculptors, and others have for new locations, and the suggestions that small arts organizations investigate relocating outside Manhattan to areas such as Jersey City, Hoboken, or Brooklyn. Someone also mentioned that 325 Spring Street, owned by The Port Authority, still has rental space available. (It already houses White Columns, The New York Feminist Art Institute and Backworks.) To think about for Monday's meeting:

1. How can alternative spaces best meet the needs of artists in these changing times?
2. The establishment of workshops to focus on specific needs such as: fund-raising, management, technical services, promotion, etc.
3. Many organizations that have similar interests would like to have informal meetings either by discipline or need. For instance, alternative spaces for photographers might meet together, while any alternative space that wanted to develop management skills might participate in a workshop.
4. The creation of a sub-committee to review space and real estate needs.
5. Development of an economic impact survey.
6. Compilation of a directory of New York Alternative Spaces.

If you have any questions or comments, please do be in touch. We look forward to seeing you next Monday.

Sincerely yours,


Sally Webster


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