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Dear Friends,

Often, people stop me in an elevator, on a street corner, or in a coffee shop, to tell me how much they enjoy listening to the "Mississippi Arts Hour" on Mississippi Public Broadcasting. This statewide radio program is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the MAC and MPB staff members who are involved.



The show has grown to become a very important part of how we spread the word about our programming, but it also provides an outstanding avenue to share information about the great work of Mississippi's incredible artists, craftsmen, musicians, and others involved in the arts across the state. If you are the proud owner of an MP3 player and are connected to the world of iTunes, you can download podcasts of the show. Be sure to write a review....it will push up our rating! In addition to listening on iTunes, you can tune in to the show on MPB's statewide Think Radio on Sundays at 3:00pm, or catch it on their digital station (if you have HD radio,) Saturdays at 11:00am, on WLEZ-FM 100.1 on at 9:00am Sunday mornings, or on WUSM-FM 88.5 in Hattiesburg on Saturdays at 12noon. The shows are also archived on our website.

I encourage all visual artists, craftsmen, museums, and other eligible arts entities to sign up for the Mississippi Visual Arts Directory. This website is an outstanding promotional tool and we encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to market your work and/or programs. It is our goal to do a marketing blitz of this website once participation is at an appropriate level. Visit www.visualarts.ms.govtake a look and let us know if you have any questions or if we can assist you with your listing.

I am proud of the fact that this agency has been able to consistently and conservatively increase the grant funds we provide to our constituents each year. It is my goal to work diligently to continue this upward trend. The agency is preparing to adjudicate the Arts Reinvestment Initiative (ARI) grant applications we received. This \$300,000 in stimulus funding was received from the National Endowment for the Arts through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and is a one-time grant to support job preservation in the non-profit arts sector. This additional funding for the arts on a state and national level shows the commitment by lawmakers to give the arts a seat at the table when it comes to our nation's recovery process.

Thank you for your continued support of MAC and our efforts to increase awareness of the benefits of an artful life for all Mississippians!

My Best,
Malcolm

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2009 WHOLE SCHOOLS SUMMER INSTITUTE A GRAND SUCCESS!!

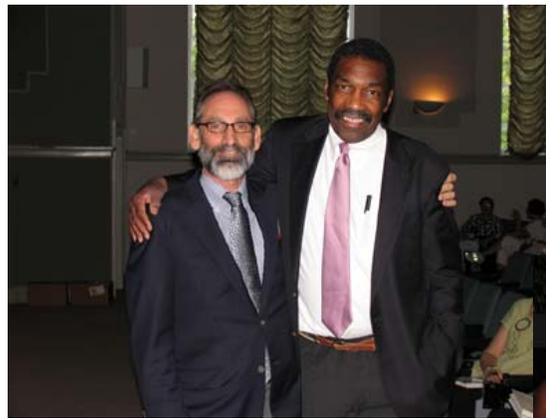


The Mississippi Arts Commission's Whole Schools Initiative recently celebrated one of the most successful Summer Institutes in the program's eleven year history. Educators from across the country left Oxford feeling invigorated about their profession and will face

the coming school year with a renewed sense of purpose and excitement. It is amazing what an education through the arts can accomplish! Click on the link below to view a great story about the Institute produced by Tobie Baker with the UM Public Relations Dept.

<http://news.olemiss.edu/index.php/Ole-Miss-News/News-Releases/wholesummer072109.html>

Also, Eli Yamin, a presenter at the institute, put together a wonderful page on his blog about his experience. It includes a video of the amazing result of his class. Check it out! <http://eliyamin.com/blog/>



MAC's Executive Director, Malcolm White with keynote speaker, Bill Strickland

Preparing to hear the inspirational Bill Strickland



Lost in creating!



Enjoying the excitement of the Drum Circle



Calendar of Events—August

Myrna Colley-Lee Exhibit

July 31-September 30
E.E. Bass Cultural Arts Center, Greenville

Prepare to Qualify

Saturday, August 1
10:00 am-12noon
MS Craft Center,
Ridgeland

MIAL: Thirtieth Anniversary Exhibition

Through August 2, 2009
Museum operating hours
Lauren Rogers Museum of Art - Laurel

StarShine 2009

August 7-8
Varies each day
The Bistro- Main Street-
Starkville

Sizzling Summer Art Opening

Friday, August 7, 2009
6:30-8:30 pm
Gallery 782 Co-Art, 782
Water Street, Biloxi

"Chapter and Verse " Writer's Group meeting

Tuesday, August 11
7:00 P. M.
Shepherd's Way Church,
Long Beach

Mississippi Writers Guild 2009 Conference

August 14 & 15,
3:30/9:00pm Friday,
8:00am/4:00pm
Saturday
Riverwalk Hotel and
Casino, Vicksburg

ArtRemix

August 14, 2009
5 - 10 PM
Mississippi Museum of
Art, Jackson, MS

Moe Brooker Workshop

Aug. 14
9 am - 3 pm
Lauren Rogers Museum
of Art Carriage House-
Laurel

MISSISSIPPI ARTS COMMISSION GRANTS \$1.5 MILLION TO SUPPORT THE ARTS IN MISSISSIPPI

MAC recently announced that \$1.5 million has been granted to artists and arts programs across Mississippi for fiscal year 2010. This amount reflects a \$500,000 increase since FY2007. These funds were granted to 51 counties, 170 different organizations and schools and 42 individual artists. In addition to the grants awarded, the Commission approved 23 new artists or groups to its Artist and Teaching Artist Roster. A printed and online version will be available soon. A complete list of all grantees by county is available on the homepage of the MAC website at www.arts.state.ms.us.

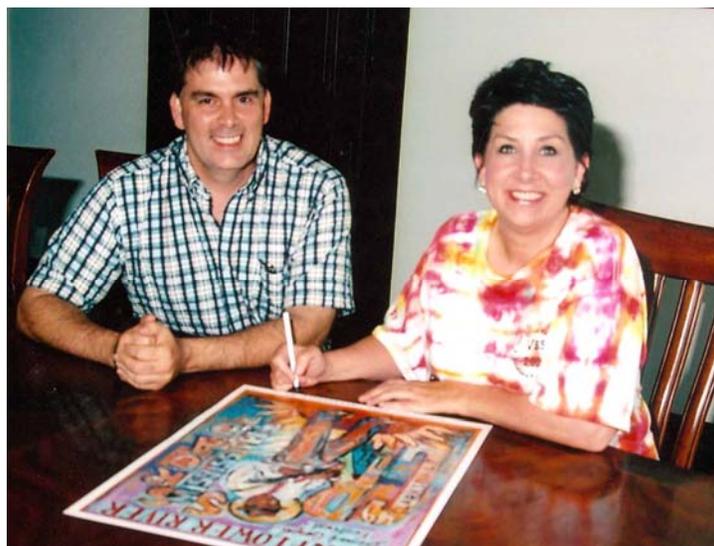
STONE COUNTY SEEKS PHOTOS TO ENTER IN NATIONAL PHOTO CONTEST & ANNOUNCE FLAG DESIGN CONTEST

The Stone County Economic Development Partnership (SCEDP) is calling for entries to submit to a national photo contest. SCEDP is asking for photos of the following places, but stresses that these are just suggestions:

Stone High School, Stone County Courthouse, Red Creek, Flint Creek Water Park, Pine Hill

To enter, go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/take-action/this-place-matters/TPM-NTHP-LOGO.pdf> to download a "This Place Matters" sign – or make a sign of your own. Take a photo of the sign in front of the place that matters to you and your community. Send the photo to SCEDP, who will forward it to the National Trust for Historic Preservation. SCEDP will accept digital photo files via e-mail to scedp@stonecounty.com through Sept. 1 to meet the contest deadline of Sept. 15.

SCEDP is also challenging artists of all ages to design a flag representing Stone County. Artwork may be in any medium, and the finished size must be either 10" x 6" or 15" x 9". The selected entry will win a grand prize of \$100! For more information visit www.stonecounty.com.



MAC Roster artist, Cristen Craven Barnard designed the poster for the 22nd Sunflower River Blues and Gospel Festival. She is pictured here with Festival co-chairman John Sherman.

Knitting 101 Workshop

August 22 and 29
9am-12pm
SCH Academy Bldg,
Vicksburg

Welty in New York

Aug. 28 – Nov. 19
During Museum
operating hours
Lauren Rogers Museum
of Art – Laurel

**Double Down Bracelet
Workshop**

August 29, 2009
10am-12pm
SCH Academy Building,
Vicksburg

**Coming in
September**

Painting

**Demonstration with
Philip R. Jackson**

September 5
10:00 AM – noon and
1 -3
Mississippi Museum of
Art, Jackson

**Tennessee Williams
Tribute and Tour of
Victorian Homes**

September 7-13
Visit website for complete
brochure
Columbus, MS

**Elizabeth Blaylock 4-
Day Oils & Acrylics
Workshop**

September 14-17
9am-4pm
SCH Academy Bldg,
Vicksburg

**Greater Jackson
Quilters Celebration**

September 19-20
9:00-5:00pm Sat., noon-
5:00pm Sun
MS Craft Center,
Ridgeland

**Visit the Calendar
page on the MAC
website for more
information on
these events or to
be listed!**



Southern Arts Federation

www.southarts.org

**MISSISSIPPI ARTISTS ADDED TO
JURIED ONLINE REGISTRY**

Southern Arts Federation and the Mississippi Arts Commission are pleased to welcome three new artists to SouthernArtistry.org. Potter Mark Rigsby and musicians Guelel Kumba and Bill Rogers were recently selected to be included in this juried registry dedicated to showcasing the lives and work of outstanding visual artists, designers, writers, performers, filmmakers, and teaching artist who are living and working in the South. Congratulations to these outstanding Mississippi artists!!

**MUSEUM ON WHEELS VISITS LIBRARIES
IN NORTH MISSISSIPPI**



Museum on Wheels is a traveling exhibit, sponsored by the Mississippi Arts Commission and funded by The Wallace Foundation that introduces audiences to the basic elements of visual art. For the past year this exhibit has been visiting libraries across Mississippi. It has reached North Mississippi and will visit 10 public libraries across the area. The schedule is as follows:

August	Olive Branch
September	Crenshaw
October	Horn Lake
November	Southaven
December	Senatobia
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January	Oxford
February	Walls
March	Hernando
April	Batesville

Photo of the exhibit at the Waynesboro Library taken by Judi Holifield



Listen to MAC's "Mississippi Arts Hour" Sunday's at 3pm on Mississippi Public Broadcasting's Think Radio—WMPN 91.3. The show can also be heard on MAC's website and through Apple's iTunes

August 2
Malcolm White hosts with artist Roy Adkins

August 9
Larry Morrissey hosts with singer, Pat Brown

August 16
Diane Williams hosts with performers, Jim and Martha Hession

August 23
Mary Margaret Miller hosts with photographer, Jane Rule Burdine

"ART IS THE ONLY WAY TO RUN AWAY WITHOUT LEAVING HOME."
~TWYLA THARP

ARTS-RELATED JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Arrowmont School of the Arts and Crafts - Gatlinburg, TN Director of Development and Communications

The Director of Development and Communications is a key senior staff position ensuring achievement of the fundraising and communication goals of the organization through comprehensive campaign planning and execution. The position works closely with the Executive Director to develop and implement well defined strategies for the financial success of the organization. The director is responsible for the design and implementation of a comprehensive development program including individual and planned giving, grant writing, special events, donor development and stewardship, and special campaigns; and all aspects of a communications program including marketing, publications, advertising and public relations.

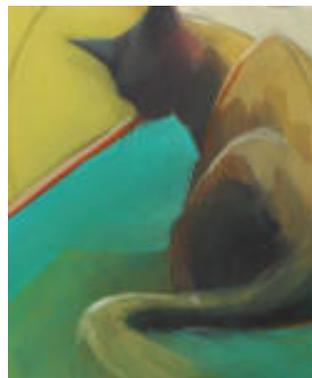
For more information visit <http://www.arrowmont.org>

Children's Theatre of Charlotte – Charlotte, NC Resident Teaching Artist (Theatre)

Children's Theatre of Charlotte (CTC) is seeking applicants for three resident teaching artists to deliver excellent, quality theatre education instruction for the wide range of theatre education programs offered. The Resident Teaching Artist position is part time (17-20 hours per week) from September to March, primarily responsible for the 8-week education offerings and Year-Long School of Theatre Training. The Resident Teaching Artist will have the option to work with the annual OnStage production, a performance opportunity for students participating in year-long classes from April to May. The Resident Teaching Artist may also be invited to work full time June through August as an integral member of the CTC Summer Camp staff.

For more information visit <http://www.ctcharlotte.org/jobs.html>

NOW SHOWING AT MAC



The Mississippi Arts Commission is pleased to feature works by members of the Mississippi Art Colony in our gallery on the 11th floor of the Woolfolk State Office Building. The show is open to the public from 9:00am – 5:00pm, Monday through Friday and will run through September 18, 2009.

Pictured: works by Cathy Hegman (left) and Carmen M. Fulford (right)