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Dear Friends,

We are happy to report that MAC has received \$300,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. These funds are to be used to support job preservation in the non-profit arts sector. The Arts Reinvestment Initiative (ARI), administered through MAC, will provide a one-time grant intended to sustain jobs in the arts. This commitment by the federal government represents to us that lawmakers see the arts as a viable component to the recovery of the national economy, and we are doing our part here in Mississippi.

One of our goals over the past few years is to continually increase both the amount of money we grant to our field and to reach more and more of the citizens from the red clay hills to the Gulf of Mexico. Once the state's final budget for the coming year is determined, MAC will award grants to 125 different organizations and schools and to 29 different individual artists. These grants represent organizations and artists from 46 of Mississippi's 82 counties. We were delighted to have 75 first-time applicants this year who applied by the March 1<sup>st</sup> grant deadline. Of these, 23 new artists or groups will be added to the 2009-2010 Artist Roster. These numbers are significant because we are reaching Mississippians that we have never served before. With your help, we have succeeded in getting the word out about the role of public funding of the arts and the work of MAC and our programs and services. These numbers represent a total of \$1.5 million through our direct grants programs to the artists, schools and arts-based organizations across the state.

We are proud to have a public art gallery space in our offices on the 11<sup>th</sup> floor of the Woolfolk State Office Building where we can showcase the work of some of Mississippi's finest artists. I hope you will join us at 2:00pm on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, when we host an art show highlighting the work of Hattiesburg quilter, Martha Ginn. The next show will feature the work of members of the Mississippi Artist Colony.

As the mercury begins to rise with the coming of Mississippi summer, I hope you will stay cool and come to see us...we have a hand-held MAC fan with your name on it. Comes in handy during the dog days!



My best,  
Malcolm

Pictured from left: Ruth Thompson & Kay Gough with The ARTS of Hancock County and MAC's Sallye Killebrew

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## MAC ANNOUNCES ARTS REINVESTMENT INITIATIVE

The Mississippi Arts Commission is pleased to announce a new grant program, the Arts Reinvestment Initiative (ARI), which will administer and distribute federal funding received from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for support of job preservation in the non-profit arts sector. ARI will provide one-time grants to non-profit organizations or government agencies in Mississippi to sustain jobs in the arts that have been cut or are in danger of being eliminated due to the current national economic downturn.

This allocation of funding is a significant recognition by the federal government of the importance of the arts to the national economy. The deadline to apply is July 10, 2009. For more information, contact Sallye Killebrew at [skillebrew@arts.state.ms.us](mailto:skillebrew@arts.state.ms.us) or visit the MAC website at <http://www.arts.state.ms.us/programs/arts-reinvestment.php>.

## BAKEHOUSE ART COMPLEX ANNOUNCES A CALL TO ARTISTS FOR - THE SILO PROJECT

**Deadline for applications: September 1st, 2009**

The Bakehouse Art Complex (BAC) in Miami, Florida is commissioning one artist to create a public art design/installation for the two historical flour silos on its premises.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The BAC is looking for an individual to transform its 2 historical Flour Silos (dating back to the 1930s) into a significant community landmark. Each silo has a circumference of 35' and is 41' high. It is an opportunity for artists to participate and gain experience in public art installation, while adding vitality to the Wynwood Arts District.

### ELIGIBILITY

Any working artist, resident of the United States is eligible to submit an application.

For more information visit [www.bacfl.org/siloproject.html](http://www.bacfl.org/siloproject.html)



## GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK SOUTH RIM ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM

Grand Canyon National Park announces a new year-round artist-in-residence program at the South Rim in conjunction with the well-established seasonal artist-in-residency program at the North Rim. Guidelines for the 2009-2010 South Rim AiR can be found at [www.nps.gov/GRCA/supportyourpark/air.htm](http://www.nps.gov/GRCA/supportyourpark/air.htm).

Artists must submit their applications for the So. Rim postmarked by July 31. Selected participants will be notified by mid-August. For more information please contact Rene Westbrook at 928-638-7090 or [Rene.Westbrook@nps.gov](mailto:Rene.Westbrook@nps.gov).

## Calendar of Events—June

### ACRYLIC AND MIXED MEDIA FEATURED AT WILLIAMS' EXHIBIT

through June 30, 2009  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Mississippi Library Commission, Jackson

### Unburied Treasures

Tuesday, June 16, 2009  
Refreshments 5:30pm,  
Program 6:00pm  
Mississippi Museum of Art

### Oxford Shakespeare Festival: "Cymbeline"

June 12 through July 1  
2:00PM and 8:00PM  
Ford Studio  
University, MS

### "Garden with the ARTS"

June 13, 2009  
10:00am - 3:00 pm  
Olive Branch, MS

### Oxford Shakespeare Festival: "The Tempest"

June 19 through July 2  
2:00PM and 8:00PM  
Meek Hall Auditorium  
University, MS

### Fire in the Swamp

June 19-21, 2009  
10:00am-10:00pm  
209 Foxtrail Road,  
Picayune, MS

### Jazz, Art & Friends

Thursday, June 25, 2009  
6:00pm-9:00pm  
Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson

### Oxford Shakespeare Festival: "Iolanthe"

June 25 - June 28  
2:00PM and 8:00PM  
Gertrude Ford Center  
University, MS

### Senior Dance

June 26, 2009  
6:30 - 10:00 pm  
YMCA Olive Branch, MS

### Indigo Dye Day

Sat, June 27, 2009  
10am - 4pm  
MS Craft Center,  
Ridgeland

## NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED NOW FOR THE 2010 GOVERNOR'S AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE ARTS

**Deadline for submission – Friday, June 26, 2009**

Visit <http://www.arts.state.ms.us/special-projects/governors-awards.php> for more information and to download the nomination form.

## Music and the Arts Still Our Only Future

William Grant Still Tribute Conference



November 19-22, 2009  
Natchez, Mississippi

William Grant Still Music invites you to this ground-breaking conference to inspire global discussion of and support for the cultural arts at all educational levels, and to bring music and the arts to the forefront in communities. Lectures and recitals will relate, not only to the life and accomplishments of William Grant Still, but also to music and the arts globally. MAC's Executive Director, Malcolm White will be a featured presenter. Early registration ends July 1<sup>st</sup>!

For more information visit <http://www.williamgrantstill.com/invitation/>



## CONGRATULATIONS TO STARKVILLE COMMUNITY THEATRE

SCT's production of *Catfish Moon* was named best production at the Southeastern Theatre Conference's Community Theatre Festival in Birmingham, Alabama. The show will represent the Southeastern United States and compete at the American Association of Community Theatre's national festival in Tacoma, Washington later this month. Best of luck!

## Coming in July

### Old Fashioned July 4th Celebration

Sat, July 4, 2009  
10:00am-4:00pm  
MS Craft Center,  
Ridgeland

### Plein Aire Painting

Sat, July 4, 2009  
9am- 5pm  
Historic Square and Main  
Street, Grenada, MS

### Fairy Tale Cooking

Tuesday, July 7, 2009  
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
SCH Academy Bldg,  
Vicksburg

### Beginning Stained Glass Workshop

Tuesdays (July  
7,14,21,28)  
10:00am-12pm  
SCH Academy Building,  
Vicksburg

### Art at B.B. King's

July 11, 2009  
9:00-12:00  
B.B. King Museum,  
Indianola, MS

### MAC's Whole Schools Initiative's Summer Institute

July 12-16, 2009  
University of Mississippi,  
Oxford

### Southern DramaKids

July 13-17 & July 20-24  
9:00am-11:00am  
SCH Auditorium,  
Vicksburg

### Olive Branch Arts Council 2009 Summer Drama Camp

July 13 - 18, 2009  
9-3 M - F, Performance  
18th  
Olive Branch High School  
new Theatre

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



## WHOLE SCHOOLS SUMMER INSTITUTE "PAINTING THE BIG PICTURE"

Plans are underway now for the Whole Schools Initiatives Summer Institute to be held on the campus of the University of Mississippi in Oxford. This week-long comprehensive professional development opportunity for educators will be held July 12-16, 2009.

The featured keynote speaker this year is community leader, **Bill Strickland**. On Sunday, July 12 at 7:00pm, he will discuss *The Art of Leadership*. From a sleeping bag on the second floor of a dilapidated building he built one of the most extraordinary organizations in America, employing and training thousands. His message is simple....give people the tools they need, treat them with respect, and they will perform miraculous deeds! A compelling and powerful storyteller, he mesmerizes audiences and brings them to their feet.

The Institute's highly professional training models give educators the inspiration, knowledge and skills to lead their students toward the goal of reaching their full potential.

For more information on the Summer Institute, visit [www.mswholeschools.org](http://www.mswholeschools.org).

## TEACHING ARTIST WORKSHOP TO BE HELD DURING WSI SUMMER INSTITUTE

The Mississippi Alliance for Arts Education invites artists to apply for a Teaching Artist Workshop to be held on July 13 & 14 during the Whole Schools Summer Institute. Application deadline – July 1, 2009, there is no registration fee for visual artists invited to participate. For more information visit [www.msartsalliance.com](http://www.msartsalliance.com).



## MAC ROSTER ARTIST WINS BIG AT 30<sup>TH</sup> BLUES MUSIC AWARDS

MAC Roster Artist, Eden Brent, was a big winner at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Blues Music Awards. She was chosen as "Acoustic Artist of the Year" and her album, *Mississippi Number One*, was chosen "Acoustic Album of the Year."

Congratulations Eden!



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

June 14  
Larry Morrissey hosts with Delta rockabilly artist, Mack Allen Smith

June 21  
Diane Williams hosts with authors of *Uncrowned Queens*

June 28  
Mary Margaret Miller hosts with chef/baker Martha Foose

July 5  
Malcolm White hosts with author John Pritchard

"WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET, WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE."

~SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP OF THE MONTH

### **Your homeowner's insurance probably does not cover your business!**

According to the recent Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF) Business Insurance Survey a high percentage of artists mistakenly believe that the structure that they work in and/or their business property is covered by their homeowner's insurance. Unless you have negotiated for a special endorsement (rider), homeowner's insurance normally covers only about \$2,500 for a home office--money intended for a desk, file cabinets and computers, but not buildings used for business purposes. CERF hears frequently from artists who have discovered this AFTER their studios have burned to the ground! In addition there is no coverage for business liability (yes, that includes customers visiting your studio on that annual studio tour).

Are you in business? As far as your insurance company is concerned, you are in business if you derive income from the sale of your work or services.

Read your insurance policy, talk to your insurance agent, and consider purchasing a rider on your homeowner's insurance, an "in-home business" policy, or a business owner's plan (BOP). For more information visit CERF's website at

<http://craftemergency.org/programs/prevention/property/>

## ARTS-RELATED JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### **KENTUCKY ARTS COUNCIL, Communications and Technology Branch Manager**

Full-time (37.5 hours per week) position available at the Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet, located in Frankfort, Kentucky. Kentucky Arts Council, [www.artscouncil.ky.gov](http://www.artscouncil.ky.gov). The Kentucky Arts Council (KAC) seeks a creative and motivated individual to serve as Communications and Technology Branch Manager. This position will manage the Communications and Technology Branch of the Kentucky Arts Council, reporting to the executive director and serving as a member of the leadership team with other senior staff. The Communications and Technology Branch Manager will work with the executive director and the leadership team to develop, implement and assess a comprehensive agency communications and technology plan, and will work collaboratively with all agency staff to further the mission and ends of the KAC.

### **Manager of Membership and Special Events, Tucson Museum of Art**

This position is responsible for all facets of the Museum's membership program; overseeing fundraising, special events, and Museum rentals; staff liaison for Museum support organizations. This is a high-profile, detail-oriented position requiring an understanding of membership as a development tool, and a friendly, polite, and inclusive viewpoint. Reviews will begin June 22. Position is open until filled. For complete job description and application procedures, please visit

[www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org/about/positions.php](http://www.TucsonMuseumofArt.org/about/positions.php)