



GOVERNOR'S AWARDS FOR THE ARTS NOMINATION DEADLINE APPROACHING!

Don't forget to nominate a person or organization for a Governor's Award this year. The deadline is August 1, and with all the talented, creative people in Alaska, there are many fine candidates. The nominating process is easy - go to our website: www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca, and go to the menu in the right hand column to find Governor's Awards Nominations. Fax or mail it in by August 1. Categories are Arts Education, Arts Advocacy, Arts Business Leadership, Individual Artist, Arts Organization, Native Arts and Margaret Nick Cooke Award for Native Arts and Languages. *If you don't submit a nomination, who will?*

VACANCIES ON THE ARTS COUNCIL

Seven Council members' terms expired on July 1, 2004. The Governor's office is currently accepting letters of interest from individuals who would be interested in serving on the Alaska State Council on the Arts. Terms are for three years. For more information, contact Charlotte Fox, Executive Director, at 1-888-278-7424.

ASCA ANNUAL GRANTS AND NEA GRANTS TO ALASKA ORGANIZATIONS

Numerous arts organizations across Alaska have recently received grants and awards from state, regional and national grantmakers.

The Alaska State Council on the Arts, at their annual meeting June 4 and 5 in Ketchikan, awarded over \$350,000 in annual grants to 50 Alaskan arts organizations.

Outgoing Council Chair John Brower stated, "by awarding these grants, we are investing in Alaskan arts organizations and artists, which brings huge returns to communities around the state, and to Alaskans."

Following is a complete list of grants awarded by the Alaska State Council on the Arts:

ANCHORAGE: Alaska Chamber Singers, \$2,874; Alaska Dance Theatre, \$11,653; Alaska Design Forum, \$4,792; Alaska Junior Theater, \$7,185; Alaska Theatre of Youth, \$1,614; Anchorage Concert Association, \$18,573; Anchorage Concert Chorus, \$4,114; Anchorage Folk Festival, \$1,534; Anchorage Museum Association, \$18,884; Anchorage Opera, \$13,143; Anchorage Symphony Orchestra, \$13,165; Anchorage Youth Symphony, \$1,880; Eccentric Theatre Company, \$3,067; Girdwood Fine Arts Camp, \$2,979; Int'l Gallery of Contemporary Art, \$2,139; Music Machine, Inc., \$2,001; Out North Contemporary Art House, \$18,409; **FAIRBANKS:** Athabascan Fiddlers Association, \$3,230; Fairbanks Arts Association, \$17,025; Fairbanks Concert Association, \$18,045; Fairbanks Drama Association, \$7,069; Fairbanks Shakespeare Theater, \$5,695; Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival, \$12,013; Fairbanks Symphony Association, \$13,775; Festival of Native Arts UA Foundation, \$3,356; North Star Dance Foundation, \$3,342; UAF Midnight Sun Visiting Writers, \$1,459; **JUNEAU:** CrossSound, Inc., \$3,343; Juneau Arts & Humanities Council, \$11,057; Juneau Dance Unlimited, \$2,532; Juneau Jazz and Classics, \$8,480; Juneau Symphony, \$4,584; Opera to Go!, \$2,857; Perseverance Theatre, \$19,556; **HOMER:** Bunnell Street Gallery, \$6,323; Homer Council on the Arts, \$10,378; Pier One Theatre, \$5,176; Pratt Museum, \$14,038; **SOLDOTNA:** Performing Arts Society, \$2,755; Soldotna Community Schools, \$1,326; **SELDOVIA:** Seldovia Arts Council, \$5,289; **KETCHIKAN:** First City Players, \$5,027; Ketchikan Area A&H Council (LAA), \$12,976; Totem Heritage Center, \$8,049; **KODIAK:** Alutiiq Museum, \$2,119; Kodiak Arts Council (LAA), \$12,702; **SITKA:** Alaska Arts Southeast, \$5,346; Island Institute, \$4,827; Sitka Summer Music Festival, \$9,308; **TALKEETNA:** Denali Arts Council, \$2,560.

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL GRANTS AND AWARDS

The **National Endowment for the Arts** has announced a major award to the **Sitka** Fine Arts Summer Camp for \$25,000 as part of the NEA Chairman's Arts Education Initiative. Only 10 sites in the U.S. will receive funding this year to support summer arts education programs.

The NEA also awarded \$706,300 in grants to Alaskan arts organizations, including the annual partnership grant to the Alaska State Council on the Arts for \$537,800. Other NEA grants were awarded to:

Anchorage: Alaska Design Forum (\$21,000); Alaska Junior Theater (\$10,000); Anchorage Opera Company (\$12,500); Anchorage Concert Association (\$10,000); Koahnic Broadcasting (\$25,000)

Fairbanks: Fairbanks Symphony Orchestra (\$5,000)

Juneau: CrossSound (\$20,000); Perseverance Theater (\$30,000)

Ketchikan: Ketchikan Indian Corporation (\$35,000)

The **Western States Arts Federation** awarded \$65,510 in grants to various Alaskan performing arts presenting organizations to support touring productions around the state in FY 2004-2005. Alaska was the second highest recipient of funds in the 12 state region (California was number one). Presenting organizations in the following communities received grants: **Anchorage, Juneau, Seldovia, Kodiak, Homer, Ketchikan and Valdez.**

For a complete list of grants and recipients, please contact the Alaska State Council on the Arts at 907.269.6610 or 1.888.278.7424.

WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND THE STATE

HOMER:

Bunnell Street Gallery presents a solo exhibition by Homer artist, Ron Senungetuk for the month of July, 2004. Senungetuk, a noted Alaskan Native sculptor, moved to Homer a few years ago after instruction and Chairing the Department of Art for the University of Alaska, Fairbanks for many years.

The art content contains a style of work inspired by Bering Strait groups whose works date back to 500 BC.

PRATT MUSEUM: Women of the North Exhibit through Sept. 19.

FAIRBANKS SHAKESPEARE THEATRE TO PLAY THE GLOBE!

Fairbanks Shakespeare Theatre is on tour this month to 9 communities throughout Alaska and in Canada. The 31 day tour will bring FST's production of The Winter's Tale to Haines Junction, Atlin, B.C., Juneau, Haines, Anchorage, Kenai, Homer, Healy and then back home to Fairbanks.

KETCHIKAN:

What Ketchikan Collects, an exhibit of unusual objects collected by Ketchikan residents, is at the Tongass Historical Museum through October 3rd. For more information call 225-5600. Blueberry Arts Festival will be on August 7th from 10am-5pm at the State Office Building. Call the Ketchikan Arts Council at 225-2211 for more information.

ANCHORAGE AIRPORT:

Traveling through the Anchorage Airport? You will be dazzled by the art in the new Alaska Airlines terminal. Public Art by Anchorage artists Sonya Kelliher Combs and Kim Brown; A Raven's Tale Robe by Ketchikan weaver Teri Rofkar; Eagle by carver Nathan Jackson; images on wood panel by Homer Artist Ron Senungetuk. During the month of July, Winnipeg glass artist Warren Carther will be installing the signature Public Art Piece – 26' high glass pieces depicting Alaska's geography. Oh – and the new architecture is nice, too.

ANCHORAGE: Summer Invitational at the Center for Contemporary Visual Art of Alaska, Managed by Decker & Morris, 621 West Sixth Ave., through July 30.

ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

2005 Smithsonian Craft Show Call for Entires: Online application at <http://www.smithsoniancraftshow.org>. Deadline is September 20, 2004.

La Petite XII, 2004. Small Format Competition, 2 & 3 D, entries \$12.00 each or 3 for \$30.00. \$2200 Awards. Submissions due October 6, 2004. For Prospectus please send a self addressed stamped envelope to: Alder Gallery, PO Box 8517, Coburg OR 97408 or call 541/342-6411 or visit their web site at www.alderart.com

Call for Entries – Direct Art Magazine #11

Competition for publication awards over \$22,000.00 in value including covers and feature articles. Open to all artists working in any media. Entry deadline is October 30, 2004. For prospectus e-mail DirectArtMag@aol.com or print from the Internet at www.slowart.com/prospectus. Or mail a self addressed stamped envelope to: SlowArt Productions, PO Box 503, Phoenicia NY 12464

Centrum Creative Residencies are open to artists, thinkers, activists, performers, and anyone involved in creative endeavors. A residency may involve active engagement with other Centrum programs, artists, and communities, or it may serve as a reflective retreat. Residencies can vary in length from one week to one month, and are available January through June, and August through December, 2005. For an application go to www.centrum.org or call 360/385-3102

Driving Force A National Juried Exhibit for Young Artists with Disabilities, Ages 16-25. For more information or entry forms call 800/933-8721 ext.3877 or e-mail voa@vsarts.org or visit their web site at www.vsarts.org

31st NW Film & Video Festival is being held November 5-13 2004. Deadline for submissions is July 31, 2004. Entry forms and Guidelines available online at www.nwfilm.org or by contacting Andrew Blubaugh at 503/221-1156 or e-mail Andrew@nwfilm.org

Jentel Artist Residency Program offers one month residencies in a rural ranch setting that include comfortable accommodation, a separate private studio and \$400 stipend to visual artists in all media and writers in all genre. For an application and more information go to www.jentelarts.org

Kindness without Borders and the Homer Council on the Arts request your participation in the Heroes, Saints, and Sages Mail Art Show. A cross cultural exchange through the mail. Throughout our human story we tell the tales and revere those individual who stood firm in their beliefs, questioned the authority of their time and acted on behalf of humanity. Who are these Heroes, Saints, And Sages? Please share with us your concepts and creations in mailable art form to: "Heroes, Saints, and Sages" Mail Arts Show, PO Box 2318, Homer AK 99603 Deadline is October 1, 2004. For more information call 907/235-5966

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