

July 2008

## From the Executive Director:

Happy Summer! We just returned from the Americans for the Arts annual conference in Philadelphia, where *Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks* was recognized as one of the top public art projects for 2007. We are truly fortunate to have such a significant sculpture as our first public art installation. With the recent installation of permanent lighting, the *Ghost* now glows at night as well.

In other news, the Metro Council passed the FY2009 budget and the Metro Arts Commission has \$2,142,000 to distribute in grant funds. The Metro Arts Commission will meet on July 17 to announce the grants for FY2009. There were lots of excellent programs and projects submitted this year and it will be exciting to see them come to life throughout the year.

Have a great summer and enjoy the arts!

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## Important Dates:

### July 10 Grants & Awards Committee Meeting

12:00PM, 800 2nd Ave. S., 2nd Floor, Davidson Conference Room

### July 15 Arts Alert Deadline

Those wishing to submit opportunities and resources for the arts community should email [arts@nashville.gov](mailto:arts@nashville.gov) with "AA Submission" in the subject line. To submit or view local event listings, please contact our community partner, NowPlayingNashville.com, at [www.nowplayingnashville.com](http://www.nowplayingnashville.com).

### July 15 Executive Committee Meeting

11:00AM, 800 2nd Ave. S., 4th Floor, MNAC Conference Room

### July 17 MNAC Meeting and FY2009 Grants Announcements

12:00PM, 800 2nd Ave. S., 2nd Floor, Davidson Conference Room

### July 17 Metro Arts Gallery Opening Reception

2:00 - 4:30PM, 800 2nd Ave. S., 4th Floor



**Support the Arts... Bolt 'em to your car!**

**Metro Nashville Arts Commission Programs are funded in part by the Tennessee Arts Commission.**



**"Light trap #14" by Featured Artist Ann Wells**

Welcome one of Nashville's [Artist Registry](#) participants. Click here to visit the [Registry](#) online.

**Updated on the Registry:**  
Ann Wells

## Arts Directory

Click here to visit the [Arts Directory](#), a guide to Nashville's arts organizations.

Exhibit will feature artists Olga Alexeeva, Juliana Ericson and Donna Rizzo. See below for more information.

Update your organization's listing or add a listing [here](#).

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### **Metro Arts Gallery Local Art Exhibition Schedule:**

Metro Arts invites artists participating in MNAC's [Artist Registry](#) to exhibit artworks in the public area of the office, which is a high-vaulted and light-filled space on the fourth floor of the Metro Office Building, 800 2nd Avenue South.

CarrieGlenn and Larry Megill, Michael Serkownek and Jorge Yances are currently showing through July 3. An opening reception for the July-November exhibit will be held July 17 from 2:00 - 4:30PM.

#### **Currently on display through July 3:**

CarrieGlenn and Larry Megill  
Michael Serkownek  
Jorge Yances

#### **July - November 2008:**

Olga Alexeeva  
Juliana Ericson  
Donna Rizzo

#### **November 2008 - March 2009:**

Marla Faith  
R. Lafayette Mitchell

To learn more about these artists and their artwork, and to view images, click [here](#). Gallery hours are Monday - Friday 8:30AM to 4:30PM. Closed holidays.

This month's feature: [THE SHOWROOM at Davis Art Advisory](#) Davis Art Advisory provides art acquisition assistance and art program development for individual collectors, interior designers and corporations nationally. THE SHOWROOM is a viewing room for clients as well as a gallery that features local and international emerging contemporary artists and furniture designers.

#### **New to the Directory:**

Danielle Duer's (fov) studio  
Ovvio Arte  
Pam Nelson Fine Art & Portraiture  
THE SHOWROOM at Davis Art Advisory

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### **Printed MNAC Arts Directory Now Available**

The new 2008 *Metropolitan Nashville Arts Directory* is now available in printed form. This edition of the *Arts Directory* includes not-for-profit arts organizations in the performing, visual, literary, and media arts, local arts service organizations and arts education contacts, plus commercial galleries and other organizations that exhibit art or present arts programming.

As always, the online version at [www.artsnashville.org/directory](http://www.artsnashville.org/directory) presents the most up-to-date information, including each organization's purpose, offerings, membership fees, links to their website and contact information.

Providing arts information and other web resources that connect arts organizations with the community continues to be an important goal for the Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission. We recommend you bookmark the [Arts Directory](#) site and return often for the most up-to-date information.

The *Arts Directory* will be mailed to those organizations listed in the directory, with additional copies available by

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### **ArtLinks**

Click [here](#) to visit Metro Arts' ArtLinks page for a variety of arts resources. Also see below for useful web sites.

This month's feature: [National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts](#)

This web site contains information for individual visual and performing artists. The NFAA offers scholarships, cash awards, internships, career advancement, presidential scholars, and residencies.

[Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission](#)

[Tennessee Arts](#)

contacting MNAC at (615)862-6720 or [arts@nashville.gov](mailto:arts@nashville.gov).

[Commission](#)

[National Endowment  
for the Arts](#)

[Americans for the  
Arts](#)

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## Conferences:

### **Performing Arts Exchange** *September 24 - 28*

Atlanta, GA

The Performing Arts Exchange (PAE) is a performing arts marketplace and professional development conference presented annually by the Southern Arts Federation (SAF). It brings together approximately 1,000 performing artists, artist managers and performing arts presenters for four days of artistic expression, networking and booking. Now in its 32nd year, PAE will be held in Atlanta, Georgia. PAE is presented in partnership with the Georgia Council for the Arts, and in collaboration with the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation and the New England Foundation for the Arts. For more information about PAE, call (404) 874-7244 ext. 28 or click [here](#).

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**Find upcoming  
arts events at**

**Now Playing Nashville** ★ [com](#)



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## Calls to Artists:

### **Chicago International Film Festival** *Deadline: July 1,*

*Late Deadline: July 31*

Chicago, IL

The 44th Annual Chicago International Film Festival is now accepting entries in the competitive categories of Feature Film, Documentary, Short and Student Productions. The festival will be held October 16 - 29, 2008. For more information, visit [www.chicagofilmfestival.org](http://www.chicagofilmfestival.org).

### **Tennessee Arts Commission Memorial Sculpture**

*Deadline: July 18*

Nashville, TN

The Tennessee Arts Commission requests qualifications from professional artists for the creation of a sculpture to commemorate the first African Americans who served in the Tennessee General Assembly. This memorial will take form in a four-foot bronze portrait bust bearing the likeness of Representative Sampson W. Keeble of Nashville. The final piece will be displayed in a half-cylindrical wall niche on the second floor of the Capitol Building in Nashville. This project is open to established visual artists living in the United States with a minimum of two years professional experience. Minorities are strongly encouraged to apply for this opportunity. For additional information, contact Julie Roberts, director of visual arts, craft and media, at [julie.roberts@state.tn.us](mailto:julie.roberts@state.tn.us).

### **Southern Appalachian International Film Festival**

*Deadline: August 31*

Johnson City, TN

The Southern Appalachian International Film Festival is currently accepting entries for this year's festival, which will take place on the campus of East Tennessee State University in October 2008. For more information and submission guidelines, click [here](#).

**Uncommon Thread Wearable Art Show FORCE 2008**

*Deadline: September 26*

Baton Rouge, LA

CultureCandy and the Louisiana State Museum- Baton Rouge are seeking artists for the second annual Uncommon Thread Wearable Art Show on October 8, 2008. Artists of all mediums may apply. This cross-genre art event will provide local, regional and national artists the opportunity to expose their talent. The theme FORCE is meant to give participants a concept that enhances the artwork's ability to communicate with the audience. For more information, visit [www.culturecandy.org](http://www.culturecandy.org).

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### **Local Workshops, Lectures & Art Education:**

#### **Beginning Oil Painting with Marla Faith**

June 21 - July 26, Saturdays 9:30 - 11:30AM

Art & Soul, 2305 12th Avenue S.

Beginning painting students will enjoy exercises in mixing and blending colors, discovering personal color harmony, as well as painting from observation. Gain confidence and skills as you become acquainted with the use of mediums, palette knife, brushwork, tints and shades. The first few classes will focus on getting to know what the paint can do and, in the remaining classes, a still life will be painted. For more information, call (615)460-1161

#### **Watkins College of Art&Design's Community Education Summer of the Arts Program**

July 7 - 11, July 21 - 25 and August 4 - 8

Watkins College of Art&Design, 2298 Rosa L. Parks Blvd.

The Community Education Summer of the Arts Program for children and teens has three sessions left. There are many opportunities for budding artists ages 4 - 18 to discover and explore various art forms and methods at the college's state-of-the-art campus in MetroCenter. Each class meets for one week, Monday - Friday, for half-day sessions. For more information, visit [www.watkins.edu/community](http://www.watkins.edu/community) or call (615)383-4848.

#### **Learn the Art and Business of Painting Murals with Michael Cooper**

July 7 - 11, October 6 - 10

Murals & More Studio, 112 Medford Place

Mike's intensive 5-day classes cover everything you need to master unique interior and exterior mural techniques, master basic perspective and Trompe L'oeil (meaning "fool the eye"), work with specialized tools of the trade to save valuable time, transfer drawings and designs by pouncing and graphing, properly use an opaque projector, design a mural to scale, prep, paint and install a canvas mural from start to finish, develop key business skills, pricing and marketing techniques and so much more! Fee for 5-day class is \$1750. For more information, contact the studio at (615)591-2575, email [michael@muralsandmore.com](mailto:michael@muralsandmore.com) or click [here](#).

#### **Workshop: Drawing on the Inner Realm: Finding Your Personal Symbols and Narratives taught by Marla Faith**

July 17 - 31, Thursdays 6:30 - 8:30PM

Art & Soul, 2305 12th Avenue S.

Art can be a mirror that reveals one's deepest self. Classes will begin with guided visualizations and centering meditations that will help you open to the Soul's voice manifesting through your artwork. Music will be used to help sustain an empty, open space for receiving, trusting and drawing your visions. The instructor will gently guide and support you in putting your most authentic voice on paper. Cost is \$150 plus \$20 materials fee. For more information, call (615)460-1161.

### **Seminar: Basics of Running an Arts Organization II: Intellectual Property Issues**

July 21, 5:00 - 6:30PM

W.O. Smith School of Music

Tennessee Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts (TNVLA) presents the next installment in the series of seminars on the legal aspects of running an arts organization. This program is designed to familiarize representatives of nonprofit arts organizations with basic trademark, copyright and other intellectual property concepts. TNVLA volunteer lawyer Christina Ezell will be the presenter. The program is free and open to the public. Those interested in attending are required to RSVP to [info@tnvla.org](mailto:info@tnvla.org) by July 17.

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### **Health Coverage for Artists:**

Go to [artshealthamerica.org](http://artshealthamerica.org) to learn about health coverage for anyone in film/video/tv, dance, theatre, fine arts, music, graphic arts, written and spoken word. This is a safety net for professionals who work on a project-to-project basis, and therefore have found it difficult or impossible to be covered in any sort of corporate or group membership plan. A spectrum of options is available, including lowest cost basic coverage to comprehensive maximum coverage plans, available to individuals, families, organizations and corporations involved in any aspect of the arts. Click [here](#) for more information.

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### **MNAC Commissioners:**

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