

METRO ARTS

Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission

December 2009

Important Dates:

December 9 MNAC Cultural Executives Network Luncheon
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Frist Center for the Visual Arts, 919 Broadway
Featuring Center for Nonprofit Management President Lewis Lavine facilitating a discussion about prospering in the current economic climate and beyond. RSVP needed for \$10 boxed lunch to arts@nashville.gov.

December 16 Arts Alert Deadline
Those wishing to submit opportunities and resources for the arts community should email 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.

Imagination Reigns In "Exceptional" Response To First Round of Nashville's Public Art Bike Racks Project.

Six Designs Selected For First Five Locations.

From a total of 139 eligible submissions by 59 area artists, Metro Arts has approved six designs to be fabricated as part of the first wave of public art bicycle racks that will be placed throughout the city beginning as early as next spring. The selections were made Tuesday Dec. 1 by a seven-person selection panel, approved by Metro Arts' Public Art Committee on Wednesday Dec. 2 and approved by the Metro Nashville Arts Commission on Thursday Dec. 3. The selections culminated a two-month process that started with a Sept. 30 Call to Artists and was open to professional artists within 200 miles of Nashville. Each winning design earned its creators a \$2500 design fee and was chosen on the basis of artistic merit, location context, functionality, and durability. Kim Hawkins, a member of the selection panel and landscape architect with Hawkins Partners of Nashville, said, "The imagination displayed by all the submitting artists was nothing short of exceptional and the field of designs ranged from whimsical to abstract to serious." To view the winning designs, you may visit www.artsnashville.org and click on "news."

Tennessee Arts Commission's Arts Build Community Grant Awards Announced

The Metro Nashville Arts Commission in cooperation with the Tennessee Arts Commission announces the following Arts Build Communities grant awards for fiscal year 2010, funded by the Tennessee General Assembly. This represents a 35% increase in funded organizations from FY09.

Organization	Award
Actors Bridge Ensemble Theatre	\$1,500.00
Arts & Business Council of Nashville	\$1,300.00
Arts at the Airport Foundation	\$1,000.00
Bellevue Exchange Club Foundation	\$1,000.00
Belmont Mansion Association	\$500.00
Choral Arts Link	\$1,100.00
Circle Players	\$500.00
Creative Artists of TN	\$500.00
Fifty Forward	\$1,200.00
Fisk University Music Dept.	\$1,100.00
Frist Center for the Visual Arts	\$1,400.00
Global Education Center	\$1,500.00
Ladies Hermitage Association	\$1,000.00
Lakewood Theatre Company	\$800.00
Middle Tennessee Mental Health & Substance Abuse Coalition	\$1,100.00
Narrow Way Productions	\$500.00
Nashville Ballet	\$1,300.00
Nashville Children's Theatre	\$2,072.00
Nashville Cultural Arts Project	\$1,000.00
Nashville Jazz Orchestra	\$1,000.00
Nashville Jazz Workshop	\$1,300.00
Nashville Opera	\$1,600.00
Nashville Public Television	\$1,000.00



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

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



"Eating T-Bone" by Featured Artist [Thurman Rivers](#)

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

New on the Registry:
Thurman Rivers
Brandt Hardin

Updated on the Registry:
Beth Seiters

Arts Directory

Click here to visit the Arts Directory, a guide to Nashville's arts organizations. Update your organization's listing or add a listing [here](#).

New on the Directory:
Blend Studio
Cultural Reflex Dance
Curatorial Management System

Updated on the Directory:
Arts & Business Council of Greater Nashville
Handweavers Guild of Nashville
Untitled Artists Group
Volunteer Lawyers & Professionals for the Arts

Nashville Shakespeare Festival	\$1,400.00
Nashville Swing Dance Foundation	\$500.00
Nashville Symphony Association	\$1,800.00
People's Branch Theatre	\$1,200.00
Project Return	\$1,400.00
Senior Center for the Arts	\$1,200.00
Street Theatre Company	\$800.00
Tennessee Performing Arts Center	\$1,600.00
Tennessee Repertory Theatre	\$1,500.00
Tennessee Theatre Company	\$1,200.00
Tennessee Women's Theater Project	\$1,500.00
Village Cultural Arts Center	\$1,000.00
Writer's Stage	\$500.00
Youth Speak Nashville	\$1,100.00
Total	\$42,572.00

Metro Arts Gallery Local 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 Ave. South.

November 2009 - March 2010

L.A. Bachman
Lynn Driver
Byron Jorjorian

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

Next month, Metro Arts will again invite local artists who are participating in our online Artist Registry to exhibit in the Metro Arts Gallery in 2010. A call-to-artists will be sent on Friday, December 11th seeking submissions from Arts Registry participants interested in exhibiting in the Metro Arts Gallery. Deadline for submissions is Friday, January 15th, 2010. Now is a good time for Registry artists to review and update their Registry page or for other local artists to join!

If you have any questions about the submission process or about joining the MNAC's online Artist Registry, please contact Ian Myers at ian.myers@nashville.gov or (615) 862-6730.

Be a Leader in Local Arts Advocacy

Nashville Arts Coalition and Tennesseans for the Arts are the leading advocacy organizations for the arts in our community. They offer a strong city and statewide-unified voice in support of artists, arts educators, arts organizations and friends and supporters of the arts. NAC and TFTA members understand the power of collective action and the importance of communicating the importance of the arts, especially this year when many expect further budget cuts. Please consider using this form to join both organizations for just \$35 a year. http://www.nashvilleartscoalition.org/Nashville_Arts_Coalition/Get_Started.html. Notice that the form asks for Metro Council District, US House District, TN Senate District and TN House District numbers.

Individual Artist Fellowships Available

Deadline: January 25, 2010
Nashville, TN

Individual Artist Fellowships are available from the Tennessee Arts Commission for fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011). Applications must be submitted electronically, and must be received by Mon., Jan. 25, 2010 by 4:30 p.m. (CST). The Commission anticipates that each fellowship will be \$5,000. Click [here](#) for more details.

Tennessee Arts Commission Fiscal Year 2011 (July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011) Grant Application Deadlines:

January 4, 2010

Cultural Education Partnership
Major Cultural Institution

January 11, 2010

Arts Education
Artist-In-Residence
Community Learning
Funds for At-Risk Youth
Teacher Training

January 19, 2010

Arts Access (conference deadline: January 15, 2010)
Arts Project Support
Partnership Support (formerly General Operating Support)
Rural Arts Project Support

January 25, 2010

Individual Artist Fellowship

U.S./Japan Creative Artists' Program Offers Residency

The Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission works cooperatively with the National Endowment for the Arts to sponsor The U.S./Japan Creative Artists' Program.

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: Nashville Convention and Visitors Bureau This sight highlights Nashville's offerings for convention goers and visitors including information, Bureau services, links to Gray Line Tours of Nashville, and a listing of special events.

[Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission](#)

[Tennessee Arts Commission](#)

[National Endowment for the Arts](#)

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Our Partner Agencies:



Find Upcoming Arts Events at



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The program provides support for up to five outstanding contemporary and traditional artists from the United States to spend a five-month residency in Japan to pursue their individual artistic goals. The next deadline for this program is Feb. 1, 2010. Eligible applicants are architects, choreographers, composers, creative writers, designers, media artists, playwrights, visual artists, or solo theater artists who work with original material (including puppeteers, storytellers and performance artists). Multidisciplinary artists and artistic directors of theater or dance companies are also eligible. The U.S./Japan Creative Artists' Program is extremely competitive; applicants should have regional or national recognition and anticipate a highly rigorous review of their work. Click [here](#) for more information.

Position Notice: University of Tennessee Knoxville Assistant Professor Time-Based Media

Knoxville, TN

Assistant Professor, tenure-track position starting August 1, 2010. MFA, PhD or equivalent professional experience in time-based media required. Applicant must be able to demonstrate sound knowledge of traditional and experimental approaches to time-based media and be engaged in contemporary and theoretical issues in art and design. Applicants should possess a record of professional development, exhibition and research. Review of applicants will begin January 4, 2010, and continue until the position is filled. Applicants planning to attend the CAA Conference will be notified by January 20, 2010 if they have been selected for a pre-screening interview. Send letter of application, CV, artist statement, teaching philosophy, portfolio of 20 pieces of work (submitted on CD or DVD), image inventory to accompany CD/DVD, names and contact information of three or more references, and indication of availability for CAA interview to: Time-Based Media Search attn: Debbie Cooper, The University of Tennessee, 1715 Volunteer Boulevard, Knoxville, TN 37996-2410. For more Information please contact Sarah Lowe at slowe@utk.edu

Calls to Artists:

Public Arts Chattanooga Announces Call To Artists

Deadline: December 21

Chattanooga, TN

The City of Chattanooga is seeking artwork for the fourth Biennial Sculpture Exhibition in Chattanooga, Tennessee, which will be on view March 2010 - September 2011. Works can be in any media, must be suitable for outdoors, and may be functional or non-functional, temporary in nature or permanent. All professional artists over the age of 18 are eligible. Each artist selected for the exhibition will receive a \$5,000 stipend per artist/per piece. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. (EST) on Dec. 21, 2009. For more information call 423-643-6096 or email: peggywoodtown@gmail.com

Tennessee Alpaca Association Scarf Competition

Deadline: April 1, 2010

Sweetwater, TN

The Tennessee Alpaca Association is sponsoring an alpaca scarf competition to promote the use of alpaca fiber produced right here in Tennessee. Knitters, crocheters, weavers and felters: Send us your very best. We invite all Tennessee fiber artists to join the fun. Two hundred dollars to the winner in each category. Click [here](#) for more information.

Workshops:

Tennessee Arts Commission Online Grant Workshop

Nashville, TN

The Tennessee Arts Commission has outlined their Fiscal Year 2011 grant categories. For the essential steps for completing a TAC grant application please check out the online workshop.

<http://www.arts.state.tn.us/resources/Online%20Grant%20Workshop.pdf>

**Volunteer Lawyers & Professionals for the Arts presents:
Starting a Nonprofit Arts Organization: Incorporation and the
Application for Tax-Exempt Status**

Tuesday, December 8, 5:30-7:00 pm

The Arts Company (215 5th Ave. N.)

Are you considering starting a nonprofit a 501(c)(3)? If so, this seminar provides valuable information about the pros and cons of starting a nonprofit organization - discussing topics such as articles of incorporation, bylaws, and building a Board, as well as the challenges of administration, funding and sustaining a new nonprofit. *The Arts & Business Council requires all applicants seeking Nonprofit Incorporation and Tax Exempt Status services through VPLA to attend this workshop before they can be assigned a volunteer attorney.*

Platetone Printshop Announces Winter Workshops: Monotype Workshop

Instructor: Carrie Cox:

2 workshop dates available:

December 12th, 1:00-4:00

January 9th, 1:00-4:00

This one-day workshop will introduce techniques for making one-of-a-kind prints using oil based inks in a low toxicity environment (vegetable oil clean up). Participants will learn to use layers of color, shape and texture in the creation of a multi-layered surface. All skill levels are welcome and additional instruction will be tailored to suit the needs of the individual. Workshop fee: 35\$ for members/\$45 for nonmembers. For more information contact Carrie Cox at carrie@platetone.org or call (615) 948-0638

Health Coverage for Artists:

Go to www.fracturedatlas.org/site/healthcare/state/TN 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.

MNAC Commissioners:

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