



In This Issue: The works of artist Ellendale area artists are on display in the offices of Governor John Hoeven and First Lady Mikey Hoeven during the months of January, February and March. The works of Bowman artist Cris Fulton will be on display during the months of April, May and June. **Page 3 & 4**

Call for Nominations: Governor's Awards for the Arts

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Statewide Arts Conference, Save the Date!

The Statewide Arts Conference, sponsored by the NDCA, will take place **Wednesday, April 8, 2009**, at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck, North Dakota. The conference will be held in conjunction with the *Governor's Awards for the Arts*. Hear how the Dakota Prairie Regional Arts Center in New Rockford is using Turtle Ticket to increase audience participation; get registered with CulturePulse - computers will be hooked up to help you get your organization and profile entered on the site; hear about the Bush Foundation grant opportunities for organizations and artists - including the new Dakota Creative Connections designed exclusively for North Dakota and South Dakota artists; and find out about Poetry Out Loud, and how your local school can participate! Those are just a few of the areas that will be covered at the 2009 Arts Conference. After the conference, the Bush Foundation and NDCA will host a reception at 6 p.m. at the ND Heritage Center. Please join us to celebrate the work and accomplishments of the Bush Foundation's Enduring Vision Awardee Walter Piehl, an artist from Minot, ND. Walter was one of the first three recipients of the Bush Foundation's award for mature artists. In June 2009 he received a grant totaling \$100,000, which will be distributed over a three to five year period. In addition, the Bush Foundation also will acknowledge and honor the work of its other artist grantees including Fellows from North Dakota who have received fellowships over past years and the six recipients of the Foundation's new Dakota Creative Connections program. For more information, call (701) 328-7590, or visit www.nd.gov/arts.

North Dakota Celebrates Lincoln's 200th Birthday

North Dakotans will join the nation in commemorating its 16th President, Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday on February 12, 2009. The Lincoln Bicentennial Program, featuring Chautauqua scholar George Frein in character as President Lincoln, begins at 12:45 p.m. with a Joint Session of the North Dakota Legislative Assembly in the North Dakota House Chambers in the State Capitol Building in Bismarck.

"A Conversation with President Abraham Lincoln" program will take place at the North Dakota Heritage Center in the Russell Reid Auditorium from 5 to 6 p.m. Merl Paaverud, Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) will give the welcome; Governor John Hoeven was invited to give remarks and recognition of Student Award Recipients of the Lincoln Life Lessons literary and visual arts contests; Rick Collin, SHSND Communications and Education Director and Lincoln Bicentennial Liaison for North Dakota, will introduce the program, which is presented by Chautauqua scholars George Frein as President Lincoln and Jerry Tweton as William Jayne, the first governor of Dakota Territory appointed by President Lincoln. Following the program, refreshments will be served in the Heritage Center lobby.

"Lincoln Life Lessons" is coming to High Prairie in honor of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial celebration! An exciting program of arts and science integration into the history and life of our 16th President has participation options galore. Historical illustrator Steve Stark will be performing as an illustrator and reenactor telling the story of Smith Stimmel, a Lincoln bodyguard who became a North Dakota resident after Lincoln's death. The program has three primary components; 1) Elementary Field Trips - February 9-11, Morning & Afternoon sessions featuring performances and hand-on workshops; 2) Middle, High School, College Contests - Art: Watercolor, Oil & Acrylic, and Charcoal, and Writing: Story, Poetry and Essay; and... (continued on page 14...)

Plains Art Museum Receives Major Donation of Art

Plains Art Museum was selected to receive a gift of 50 works of art from New York collectors Dorothy and Herbert Vogel, with the help of the National Gallery of Art, the National Endowment for the Arts and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The gifts are part of a national gifts program entitled *The Dorothy and Herbert Vogel Collection: Fifty Works for Fifty States*. It will distribute 2,500 works from the Vogels' collection of contemporary art throughout the nation, with 50 works going to a selected art institution in each of the 50 states.

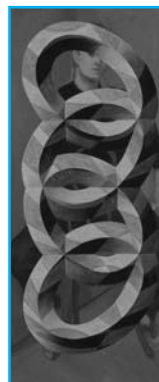
Colleen Sheehy, director/CEO of Plains Art Museum said, "It is certainly an honor for Plains Art Museum to be chosen to receive



Peter Hutchinson
British, born 1930
"Chemical Sculpture with Four Tubes," 1970.
glass tubes with salt, copper sulphate & potassium chromate formations.
9 x 7 3/4 x 6 in.

these works and to take its place among such museums as the Phoenix Art Museum, the Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles, Yale University Art Museum, The Speed in Louisville, The Weisman in Minneapolis, the Joslyn in Omaha and the Seattle Art Museum. The gift reflects confidence in our ability to care for it and share it with our visitors." For a complete list of museums, visit www.nga.gov/press/2008/vogel50x50_a.shtm; for more information, www.plainsart.org.

The Dorothy and Herbert Vogel Collection: Fifty Works for Fifty States, an initiative of the Trustees of the Dorothy and Herbert Vogel Collection and the National Gallery of Art, with generous support of the National Endowment for the Arts and the Institute of Museum and Library Services.



Peter Schuyff
Dutch, born 1958
"Graham," 1998
oil on found canvas
28 1/8 x 12 1/8 in.

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Thriving Through the Arts

by Jan Webb, Executive Director, North Dakota Council on the Arts

Life is full of wonderful adventures, with a few negatives thrown in just to keep us from taking things for granted. For many the negative right now is the economy and everyone is wondering about the future - how will nonprofits weather this storm? In North Dakota we are fairing quite well. Approaching another legislative session here is not full of the trepidation our peers are feeling in many other states. According to the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies twenty-four state councils have reported a reduction in their 2009 appropriation. Governor Hoeven has been extremely supportive and has included the North Dakota Council on the Arts' full request in his budget. Included in that request is first time funding for the ND Poet Laureate to provide high school workshops, increased funding of the *Art for Life* program to expand it to three additional communities, and increases in arts in education and folk arts grant programs. Visit with your legislators and tell them how Council funding affects your community arts, and please let them know you support the Governor's budget for the NDCA.

This spring will bring a full schedule of events. The Governor's awards are scheduled for the evening of April 7th with a daylong statewide arts conference to follow on April 8th. The Bush Foundation and the NDCA will be hosting an evening reception for ND Art Fellowship, Dakota Creative Connections, and Enduring Visions recipients at the ND Heritage Center the evening of April 8th. Please make a note of these dates and try to join us. At the conference we'll be exploring CulturePulse, NDCA's online grants program, membership and audience development, and much more to make it well worth your time!

Please be sure to send us your e-mail address so you can keep up to date with the monthly e-news on conference plans, Governor's Award winners, and the Bush artist reception!

Opportunity for ND High School Students To Participate in Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest



The North Dakota Council of the Arts invites high school teachers and students to participate in *Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest* - an exciting program which encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry. The program encourages students to learn through memorization and performance, which helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and internalize our rich literary heritage.

Poetry Out Loud materials will be sent to teachers who register for the program and participating schools will run the program during the fall and early winter. The program requires only two or three weeks of class time. *Poetry Out Loud* curriculum materials include: print and online poetry anthologies; a teacher's guide to help instructors teach recitation and performance; an audio CD featuring distinguished actors and writers; promotional and media guides; and a comprehensive website. Hard copies of all materials are free for schools participating in the official program. All curriculum materials are also available for download on the *Poetry Out Loud* website (www.poetryoutloud.org). Schools not officially involved in the program are welcome to use the online materials. A special feature this year is an opportunity for classroom teachers participating in the program to schedule a time for a North Dakota poet laureate to come to your classroom and work with your students. There will be no fee for the session with the poet, and it is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

The North Dakota State Finals will be held at the ND Heritage Center in Bismarck on March 17, 2009. Following the state finals, the National Finals will be held in Washington, DC, on April 26-28, 2009. **Register Now! Deadline is January 16, 2009!** Educators interested in registering in the official program, receiving the curriculum materials, or interested in having a North Dakota poet laureate work with your class, should contact Linda Ehreth at (701) 328-7593 or email lehreth@nd.gov. Registration forms are available online at www.nd.gov/arts.

NDCA Artist Survey

With today's new technology, and virtual "worlds," the North Dakota Council on the Arts would like to learn how many North Dakota artists are familiar with "Second Life." If you are familiar with, have participated in, or are interested in venturing into this "world" please send an email to Jan Webb at jwebb@nd.gov.

Thank you in advance for your input!

Sign Up Today!

The NDCA has an electronic newsletter that supplements the *Prairie Arts* newsletter (which is published 3 times per year). *e-Prairie Arts* is distributed via email during the months of February, March, April, June, July, August, October, November and December. Each edition contains statewide and national news items, opportunities for artists & arts administrators, calendar information, links to informative and helpful web sites, and much more. If you would like to receive electronic editions of *e-Prairie Arts*, send an email to amschmid@nd.gov or call (701) 328-7594 to add your name to the distribution list.

I hope you enjoy this edition of *Prairie Arts*!

Amy Schmidt, *Prairie Arts* Editor

Ellendale Area Artist's Works Featured in the Offices of the Governor and the First Lady in January, February and March



Jessica Jenkins

Jessica Jenkins (artwork image unavailable): Jessica was born in Ellendale, North Dakota, 18 years ago. She draws real life things with her own little twists to make the drawings more interesting. She said that she draws because "it expresses emotions, and each one of my drawings means something to me."



Roberta Johnson

Roberta Johnson: Roberta was born and raised in Ellendale, and she graduated from the North Dakota State University. While attending NDSU, she worked at the Sports Information Office. Part of her job was helping to make brochures for the various sports, which included taking and choosing photos for the publications. She also kept score for the Bison baseball team and took pictures for the NDSU newspaper. Following graduation, Roberta moved to St. Paul, where she worked for the University of Minnesota for the next 15 years. She began taking photos at the college sports events, as well as the Twins and Vikings games. She learned by doing, realizing that she was lucky if she could get two or three good shots from one roll of film. When she moved back to Ellendale in 1991, she began covering the American Legion baseball games and, a few years later, all of the Ellendale High School sports. She became part of the newspaper's staff in 2000 and, recently, became editor of the paper. Despite her expanded duties, however, she continues to snap pictures at most of the sporting events in Ellendale. "Pointing the camera at the right time toward the right spot is the challenge of taking action photos," Roberta said, "but thanks to digital cameras, I can take more pictures and choose the best ones to publish."



Photo by Roberta Johnson

Ruth Redlin (photo unavailable): "When I was a child, the only interest I had in art was painting paper dolls and their glamorous clothes," said Ruth Redlin. Her interest grew into a lifelong love that has produced dozens of beautiful paintings. After she was married and moved to Ellendale, Ruth kept busy with her children until they started school. She enrolled in the local college to learn conducting, filling her morning schedule with classes that included art studies. Her teacher, Mrs. Randolph, ordered paints for the students - cobalt blue, alizarin red, yellow, white, burnt umber and ivory black. "She told us to mix our own colors and that we could paint whatever we wished," Ruth said. That was Ruth's initiation to painting. Her advice to other aspiring artists? "Buy a brush and some paints and get busy. Time is fleeting," she said. "Enjoy it."

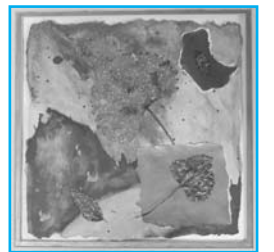


Artwork by Ruth Redlin



Lana Schlecht

Lana Schlecht: Lana is a wife, mother and grandmother who was an art major while attending the University of North Dakota. Although she majored in art, she took up dentistry, a profession she describes as "very artistic." She has practiced in Ellendale for 22 years. Lana is a very active member of the Ellendale Area Arts Council, having organized this year's Arts in the Park event. Through her efforts, Lana said, she hopes to increase arts events for people who live on the prairie, particularly for children. She believes that "children who take arts classes and visit art galleries will develop a life-long appreciation of art."



Artwork by Lana Schlecht



Ken Schmierer

Ken Schmierer: Current and former residents of Ellendale are familiar with Ken Schmierer's striking photographs of the area's scenery and buildings. From Ken's perspective as a former resident who has returned to Ellendale, the city's buildings and surrounding farmland are captured as reflecting the true spirit of America. Using computer manipulation, Ken adds and shifts the colors of the digital photographs, creating haunting, and memorable images. After attending college in Ellendale, his childhood home, and graduating from Northern State University, Ken moved away to work as a corporate manager for Payless Shoes for 25 years in Topeka, Kansas, and then for Stored Value Systems in El Paso, Texas. He returned to Ellendale and now lives on Main Street near where he grew up. Ken said, "I moved back to enjoy life and do what I want." He began producing his unique photographs as a hobby during the 1970s. "They're different from what I actually photograph," he said. "I turn them into something they're not. Adding another dimension to the photo is where the challenge comes in and makes the process enjoyable." A series of Ken's farm photographs hangs in The Agraria Restaurant in Washington, D.C. He also creates photographic CDs with musical soundtracks to commemorate birthdays, weddings and other special events.



"Phantom of the Opera" by Ken Schmierer

Barbara Steinwand (photo unavailable): Since she was a child in Berlin, Germany, Barbara Steinwand has enjoyed drawing. She began painting with the watercolors she received as childhood Christmas gifts and has rarely put down her brush since that time. Barbara moved to Ellendale in 1975 and continued her painting, employing water colors and oils as well as acrylic paint and pencil. She also completes intricate needlepoint tapestries. Most of her art ends up at the homes of her friends and relatives, according to Barbara. She estimated that she has given away over 100 pieces over the years. Classical music accompanies her, Barbara said, as she sits at her kitchen table and paints. "I paint what I see in my vision," Barbara said. Most of her works are landscapes and flowers along with a few seascapes. Whatever subject she chooses, Barbara is a perfectionist. Barbara stresses the importance of continuing to encourage young people to explore art and to learn about famous paintings along with allowing them to develop their own creativity.



Artwork by Barbara Steinwand

9th Annual Fargo Film Festival

The 9th Annual Fargo Film Festival will take place March 3-7, 2009. The Fargo Film Festival is the premier film festival event in the state of North Dakota. The festival takes place at a variety of locations in the Fargo-Moorhead community. The Fargo Theatre is the festival's home base and provides the venue for the majority of screenings.

The Fargo Film Festival strives to provide an extraordinary opportunity for filmmakers' work to be shown on the big silver screen in a beautifully restored, state of the art, 870-seat Art Deco Theatre; provide informational and provocative presentations and panel discussions on issues affecting local, regional, national and international filmmaking and filmmakers; and jury films in categories including Animation/Experimental, Documentary Feature, Documentary Short, Music Video, Narrative Feature, Narrative Short, Native American Voices, and Student. For more information, visit www.fargofilmfestival.org, or call the Fargo Theatre at (701) 239-8385.

Artists Celebrating Christ Call for Entries and Art Show Information

Artists Celebrating Christ (ACC) is having another wonderful event. Mark your calendars and enter! The show takes place April 2-4, 2009, at the University of Mary Benedictine Center, Bismarck, ND. Artist Registration Deadline is February 1, 2009. The show will host Visual Art; Liturgical Art; Musical Performances; and Student art entries and art classes for school children. Quick Draw and Art Auction/ Proceeds donated to Charles Hall Youth Services. New to the Event ~ Drama Clinic and Performance featuring clinician Mozelle Clark Sherman and Postcard art entries featured in the silent auction! For more information and a registration packet, email info@accartshow.com, call (701) 255-7312, or visit www.accArtShow.com.

Bowman Artist's Works Will be Featured in the Offices of the Governor and the First Lady in April, May and June



Cris Fulton

Cris Fulton grew up in Bowman, North Dakota, in the southwestern corner of the state. From an early age she enjoyed drawing and taking photographs. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of North Dakota in 1973. She studied photography on her own, and at some workshops in Bemidji State College during the summer of 1975.



Blue and White Delight (photograph)

After graduation from college, Cris spent a year as a VISTA volunteer at Pierre Indian School in South Dakota. Then she taught basic skills and art for a year in Slope County, North Dakota. From these experiences she developed an interest in Indian culture and an appreciation for the beauty of her native landscape.

Following her photography workshops in 1975, Cris moved to Minneapolis, where she lived for twelve years. There she began drawing cowboys and Indians. At first her drawings were done with pencil and white wash highlights. Later she started to use soft pastels on illustration board, making large drawings of Indian powwow dancers.



Young Horse in Early Morning (photograph)

In 1988, Cris moved to Taos, New Mexico. She continued to make pastel drawings of Indian dancers, then added Aztec dancers and mythological figures to her body of work. Some of her Aztec dancer and mythology drawings were published by Pomegranate Publications in 1994.



Moonrise over Row of Trees (24x36" Pastel on Stonehenge Paper)

Cris moved back to Bowman in 1993, and began working on a Native American exhibit and native plant gardens for Pioneer Trails Regional Museum. These projects got her out into the prairie country surrounding her hometown, and she began to photograph and draw landscapes. Her photographs have been published by North Dakota Horizons, NMN, Inc. of Minnesota, and in a book and calendar for the Bowman County centennial celebration. She has had several art exhibits in the Bowman area at the museum and the library. For further information, please contact Cris at Post Office Box 558, Bowman, North Dakota 58623. Email: crisful@yahoo.com; phone: (701) 206-0307; or visit www.crisfulton.com.

Governor Hoeven & First Lady Mikey Hoeven Light the State Tree

Photos courtesy of Ray A. Myers



Governor Hoeven & First Lady Mikey Hoeven

The Lighting of the North Dakota State Tree took place on Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. in the Memorial Hall in the State Capitol. Governor Hoeven and First Lady Mikey Hoeven conducted the ceremony.

Live entertainment was provided by Joel Gilbertson, piano; apprentices of the Northern Plains Ballet; an ensemble from the Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus; and Kylie Helm, Jr. Miss Teen North Dakota, read a poem dedicated to our military friends stationed overseas.

Sister Kathleen Atkinson from the Christian Leadership Center at the University of Mary, read Luke 2:1-14. Governor and Mikey Hoeven, accompanied by Joel Gilbertson, led the



Apprentices of the Northern Plains Ballet performing excerpts from the "The Nutcracker"

audience in singing "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" and "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful."

It was standing room only at the ceremony, everyone was thrilled when the lights in the Memorial Hall



Sister Kathleen Atkinson

dimmed and they lit up the state tree!

After the ceremony everyone walked around the tree to look at all of the new and previously donated ornaments, took pictures with family and friends, and enjoyed cookies and apple cider.



The Lighting of the State Tree



Kylie Helm, Jr. Miss Teen North Dakota

There were 309 new ornaments donated to the tree this year. The tree is decorated with ornaments handmade by children, students, artists and craftspeople from all over North Dakota, as has been the tradition since 1981. A program with descriptive listings of the ornaments donated in 2008 was handed out at the ceremony.



Ensemble from the the Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus under the direction of Tom Porter



Joel Gilbertson, piano

Harvey Church Converted to Gallery

If you stop by the Afterthoughts Art Gallery in Harvey.. you're in for a unique experience. That's because a former church has been converted into a showcase for Harvey area artists. A couple of years ago Harvey residents Dora and Dave Heil had the church moved from the downtown area, to a location near the highway. They spent weeks renovating the building, before opening the gallery. Dora is an artist herself, and displays her work here, but so do other artists from the community. Officials are pleased to have the gallery in Harvey.

(Gayle Lee, Harvey Area Council on the Arts) "Since we've begun, quite a few people have come by, and they say wow, this is a beautiful building. Its serene and calm, and with all the pictures, its great."

~ August 24, 2008 11:09PM; KXMCTV Minot.
www.kxnet.com/getArticle.asp?ls=dailyemail&ArticleId=268197

The Arts Community Celebrates NDCA's 40 Year Anniversary with a Touring Exhibition Titled "ARTS DAKOTA"

Over 60 artists responded to the call to participate in a statewide exhibition celebrating the arts in North Dakota. Hailing from all corners of the state, visual artists, writers, musicians and videographers submitted work to be included in the ARTS DAKOTA exhibition.

The North Dakota Art Gallery Association, New Bohemia, ND and the North Dakota Council on the Arts sponsored this exhibition to celebrate the Council's 40th Anniversary. Focusing exclusively on North Dakota artists, ARTS DAKOTA showcases many of North Dakota's finest creative personalities, both professional and amateur.

"This Arts Dakota exhibit is a wonderful way for the North Dakota Council on the Arts to commemorate 40 years of service to the arts in North Dakota. The works of art featured here are by North Dakota artists in many disciplines and exemplify the quality and diversity of the talent within our state." stated Jan Webb, Executive Director of NDCA.

For more info and tour schedule, visit www.nd.gov/arts/ArtsDakota.htm.

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The nomination form is available below, and online at www.nd.gov/arts. Please contact the North Dakota Council on the Arts with any questions at comserv@nd.gov or 701-328-7592.

Previous Recipients

- **1977:** John Hove (Fargo), Nellie Solberg (Bismarck), Merton Utgaard (Bottineau), Sheyenne Valley Arts and Crafts Association (Fort Ransom)
- **1978:** Alene Larson (Fargo), Arlene Saugstad (Minot), Prairie Arts and Humanities Council (Hettinger)
- **1979:** Mary Gray (Valley City), Belle Mehus (Bismarck), Plains Art Museum (Fargo-Moorhead)
- **1981:** Anne-Marit Bergstrom (Devils Lake), Phyllis Frelich (New York City), Anne W. Ness (Fort Ransom), Fargo-Moorhead Orchestral Association
- **1982:** Fritz Scholder (Scottsdale, Arizona)
- **1983:** Winifred B. Stump (Dickinson), The Straus Company of North Dakota
- **1985:** Vern Bennett (Fargo), Rose and Francis Cree (Dunseith)
- **1987:** Frederick Walsh (Fargo), The Grand Forks Herald
- **1989:** Alma Studness (Devils Lake), Catherine Mulligan (Fargo)
- **1991:** Rosemary Landsberger (Bismarck), Peter Schickele (New York City)
- **1993:** David Hanna (Fargo), Jean Waldera (Dickinson), Fargo-Moorhead Civic Opera
- **1995:** Cando Arts Council, Hal and Kathy Gershman (Grand Forks), James D. Ployhar (Fargo)
- **1997:** Fargo-Moorhead Community Theatre, Wayne and Bernice Stroup (Garrison)
- **1999:** Linda Whitney (Valley City), Rebecca Engelman (Bismarck), Gwinner Junior Players, Summer Performing Arts Company (Grand Forks), Hornbacher's Foods (Fargo-Moorhead)
- **2001:** Dr. Timothy J. Kloberdanz (Fargo), Sue Jacobson (Bottineau), David Hamilton (Fargo-Moorhead), Nelson County Arts Council (Pekin)
- **2003:** Mary Louise Defender Wilson (Shields), Jack Dyville and B. Michael Quale (Williston), Grand Forks Public Schools (Dr. Mark Sanford, Superintendent), Trollwood Performing Arts Schools (Fargo)
- **2005:** Bill Eckroth (Bismarck), Gene Okerlund (Fargo), Glory Monson (Rugby), Walter Piehl (Minot), International Music Camp (Minot/International Peace Gardens)
- **2007:** Beth Gigante Klingenstein (Valley City), Little Country Theatre/NDSU Theatre (Fargo), Laurel Reuter (Grand Forks), Cynthia Schumaier-Jelleberg (Belcourt)

Nomination Criteria:

- Expanding arts opportunities to new audiences
- Improving the quality of arts experiences
- Creating an appreciation for North Dakota's cultural heritage
- Making the arts more central to education and an integral part of community life
- Length of service

Nomination Categories:

- Individual Achievement (artist, staff, volunteer)
- Arts Organization
- Arts in Education (educator, school, administrator)
- Private Business

2009 North Dakota Governor's Awards for the Arts Nomination Form

Please type or print clearly. To make more than one nomination, photocopy this form.

CATEGORY (CHECK ONE):
 Individual Achievement (artist, staff, or volunteer)
 Arts Organization
 Arts in Education (educator, school, or administrator)
 Private Business

NOMINEE: Name and/or Organization (both, if applicable)

 Address, City, State, Zip Code

 Daytime Telephone

NOMINATED BY: Name and/or Organization (both, if applicable)

 Address, City, State, Zip Code

 Daytime Telephone

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT: On a separate sheet of 8.5" by 11" paper, describe in up to one (1) page why the nominee meets the criteria of this award.

ATTACHMENTS SUGGESTED:
1. Attach a brief resume or biography of the recipient. No more than two (2) pages.
2. Support materials such as letters of support, news articles, reviews, awards, etc. No more than five (5) 8.5" by 11" pages. Must be reproducible. Include SASE if you want materials returned.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE: Nomination materials must be postmarked by **January 15, 2009**. Faxed applications will not be accepted. Send to: ND Council on the Arts, 1600 E. Century Ave., Suite 6, Bismarck, ND 58503.



Have You Entered Your Information on ND's Leading Online Resource for Arts & Culture?



CulturePulse is the leading online resource for arts and cultural information in eastern North Dakota. It is more than a calendar. It also

features directories of area arts organizations and venues and profiles of local artists. We want to encourage all artists and organizations to enter their information and events. Artists can create profiles without charge - if you do not have a web site, this is a great way to get your information online - for free! Go to www.CulturePulse.org and choose either the northern or southern area. CulturePulse is not just for Fargo or Grand Forks - all artists and organizations within the surrounding communities and regions are encouraged to enter their information and profiles online!

CulturePulse will help North Dakotans to get out and discover all the amazing things happening throughout our communities by providing comprehensive information about what to do and where to go for unique cultural experiences. We hope to inspire greater participation in this broad range of events and activities. If you have questions or would like more information, email admin@fm-arts.com.

ND Museum of Art Seeks Host Sites for *Animals: Them and Us*, The Museums Next Rural Arts Initiative Traveling Exhibition

Museum Director Laurel Reuter has gathered the work of twenty-five artists from across North and South America in a contemporary exhibition titled *Animals: Them and Us*. The biological definition of animal refers to all members of the kingdom Animalia, including humans who are only one of the nine or ten million species of animals that inhabit planet Earth. In curating the exhibition, Reuter searched for art from the complicated animal genre that exhibits contrasting and conflicting visions, points-of-view, assumptions, assertions, and historical remembrances of other members of the kingdom Animalia.

The exhibition will begin its statewide tour in March, 2009. The Museum does not charge host organizations for exhibitions through its Rural Arts Initiative program. Communities must provide a secure building and volunteers to maintain the exhibition while it is open to the public. Museum staff will deliver and install the exhibition, provide training to host organization volunteers on the exhibition and, return to take the exhibition down. Exhibitions remain with the community for a minimum of two weeks and a maximum of 1 month. The Museum will work with the host organization to bring schools to the exhibition from within a fifty-mile radius and assist teachers. Each lesson plan can be adapted to fit the specific needs of teachers and students.

Marking the Land: Jim Dow in North Dakota is still touring the State and is available through the Museum's Rural Arts Initiative. For more information concerning the Museum's Rural Arts Initiative, contact Matthew Wallace at (701) 777-4195 or mwallace@ndmoa.com.

North Dakota VSA arts Young Soloist Winner is Announced

Courtney Smith, 11, of Palermo has been selected as the 2009 VSA arts Young Soloist from North Dakota. Courtney has been presented with a trophy in recognition of her statewide honor. Her entry, a recording of "I am Perfect in His Eyes," now goes to Washington, D.C. where it will be considered for the International Young Soloist award. Each state submits one winner for this competition.

Courtney is a well known singer in North Dakota. She and her twin sister Taylor faced challenges because they were born twelve weeks early. Courtney, who is blind, has a love of singing that began before she was in kindergarten. She has recorded several music CD's, and has appeared at numerous events throughout the state. Most recently she recorded the CD, "Butterflies," and a CD of Christmas music. Courtney and Taylor were the 2007/2008 ND March of Dimes Ambassadors.

Linda Olsrud, Executive Director of Dakota West Arts Council, says, "We are thrilled to have Courtney Smith representing our state in this prestigious competition. She is a talented and poised young lady who has a beautiful voice and a wonderful attitude."

Since 1984, the VSA arts International Young Soloists Program has been seeking to identify talented musicians who have a disability. Given annually to four outstanding musicians, two from the United States and two from the international arena, the International Young Soloist Awards provide an opportunity for these emerging musicians to each earn \$5,000 and a performance in Washington, D.C.

Inclusion teaches us that all means all. Everybody. No exceptions. The arts invite people to leave familiar territory, to explore new answers and seek new questions. The arts offer a means to self-expression, communication, and independence. By learning through the arts, students become lifelong learners, experiencing the joy of discovery and exploration, and the value of each other's ideas. VSA arts is committed to driving change - changing perceptions and practice, classroom by classroom, community by community, and ultimately society.

Dakota West Arts Council of Bismarck, with its Art Venture program, is the only ND affiliate of VSA arts international in association with the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The Art Venture program provides unique arts opportunities to over 600 area students who have disabilities or are at risk.

NDCA Shoots for the "S.T.A.R.S." (Science Taught by Artists Reaching Students)

The intent of this project is to bring quality arts education and hands-on, classroom experiences to children to deepen and enrich their knowledge regarding the connections between traditional American Indian arts, cultural beliefs, and scientific knowledge focused on astronomical bodies like the Sun (Grandfather Sun), Moon (Grandmother Moon), Mars (Red Heart Star), and Venus (Morning Star). The children will be engaged in traditional storytelling, flute carving and playing, pictographic hide painting, birch bark scroll and birch bark basket making, and star quilts. Specific "star stories" will serve as the primary foundation and inspiration for the folk art skills employed. Stars are placed in context to create an avenue of interest and cultural connectedness for the learning of both science and art. While art activities are infused throughout this project in synch with national and ND Art Standards, important goals of the artists are also in alignment. Those being 1) understanding folk art as a form of communication and a vehicle for passing knowledge about the world around us; and 2) creating a sense of connectedness with that world, that art/tradition is not just something you study but something you personally are a part of. A story is not just entertainment, but a repository of knowledge which storytellers say is multi-layered with different messages for different people based on the "place" that person is in their life. A flute player talks about how their breath gives life to the wood but as the tune comes the flute takes over and it "plays" the musician. They are connected. Certain stories tell of stars being the souls of the deceased who help and advise those on earth, people "wish upon a star," they are connected. An American Indian phrase states, "We are but a strand in the web of life, what we do to the web we do to ourselves."

The North Dakota Council on the Arts worked with Circle of Nations School in Wahpeton, Fargo Public Schools, and the Minnesota State University-Moorhead (MSU-M) planetarium in the planning, development, and the writing of the "S.T.A.R.S." project and grants. The project supports 10 weeks of residencies featuring Mary Louise Defender Wilson, Keith Bear, and Anthony Richard LaFromboise in both Fargo Public Schools and the Circle of Nations School. Each of the artists will also do presentations for the schools and for the general public at the planetarium. The total project budget is \$59,100 with support from the NDCA, Circle of Nations School, Fargo Public Schools, and the National Endowment for the Arts. The NEA grant award was through their Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth program. In conjunction with the residencies, the schools will bring in the NDCA exhibit *Spirit Trail, Sky Beings: Mythical Scrolls of the Ojibway Nation*. Both schools will also utilize several of the NDCA's enhanced CDs that deal with "star" stories.

The first featured artist residency was in October, involving renowned traditional Mandan/Hidatsa flute player and storyteller Keith Bear of Drags Wolf Village, ND. The second featured artist residency was in December involving National Endowment for the Arts National Heritage Fellowship recipient Mary Louise Defender Wilson, a highly regarded and accomplished elder Dakotah Sioux storyteller from Porcupine, ND. The third featured artist residency will be in March or April 2009 involving multi-talented traditional Ojibway storyteller and birch-bark pictograph scrollmaker Anthony Richard LaFromboise from Bismarck, ND.

Take the Guess Work Out of Your Health Care

The Artists Health Insurance Resource Center (AHIRC) database was created in 1998 by The Actors' Fund of America, with a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, as a health insurance resource for artists and people in the entertainment industry. Since then, with support from The Commonwealth Fund, it has expanded to include resources for the self-employed, low-income workers, the under-insured, the uninsured who require medical care and many other groups. AHIRC has made it easy to get all your health insurance questions answered. AHIRC is "the" health insurance resource for artists. AHIRC can keep you healthy and keep you doing what you love to do. For learn more, visit www.ahirc.org.

Mary Louise Defender Wilson Participates in Nationwide Arts Festival

The Kennedy Center's 24th Annual Open House Arts Festival "Arts Across America" was held on Saturday, September 13, 2008, in Washington, D.C. where more than 30 performances took place on this spectacular day of free family fun. From fascinating innovators to masters of tradition, these artists from every region of the country, proved just how much talent our nation holds. Artists came from many states across the country including Hawaii, California, Vermont, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Georgia, Minnesota, Nevada, Oregon, New York, and North Dakota, to name a few.

Mary Louise Defender Wilson presented Dakotah/Hidatsu tales on the Atrium Storytelling Stage. She has taught Dakotah storytelling through the North Dakota Council on the Arts Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program, gives lecture demonstrations throughout the region, and educates teachers in Dakotah-Hidatsa storytelling and culture. For more information on Mary Louise Defender Wilson, visit www.carts.org/artist_wilson2.html.

Plains Art Museum Names Colleen Sheehy as Director/C.E.O

Colleen J. Sheehy, Ph.D, has been named Director and CEO of Plains Art Museum in Fargo, North Dakota. Prior to joining the Museum, Dr. Sheehy was Director of Education at the Frederick R. Weisman Art Museum at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Sheehy has worked at the Weisman since 1993, founding its first education department, curating exhibitions, organizing international conferences, launching its tour guide program, developing interpretation and curricula for Kindergarten through grade 12, university and community audiences. For the eight years prior, Dr. Sheehy was the Assistant Museum Director for touring exhibitions at the University of Minnesota Art Museum, where she curated and collaborated on exhibitions that traveled regionally.



"We were thrilled and gratified by the quality of candidates who applied to fill the position of director/CEO at the Museum," said Museum board chair Michael J. Olsen. "Colleen quickly rose to the top of the list based on the skills, knowledge and passion we were looking for in a leader who could help us complete our 'Little Artist in All of Us' capital campaign and take us to the next level of delivering on our mission of bringing people and art together."

Olsen also commended acting CEO and current Museum CFO Mark Henze, the senior management team and the entire staff at the Museum for their stellar performance during the search for a new Director/CEO.

Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center Names New Executive Director

The Board of the Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center (HHIC) is pleased to name Dr. Maureen Kelly Jonason as its new Executive Director. Dr. Jonason taught writing for 20 years at various colleges, most recently at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn, and served on the HHIC Board of Directors for four years.



She was the North Dakota American Association of University Women's Vice President of Membership, and the Vice President of the Moorhead Soroptimists. Dr. Jonason served one year as HHIC's Board President, and four years as Board President of the Spirit Room Galleries.

Make Extra Money and Make a Difference

In Spring 2009 and in early 2010, several thousand temporary, part-time census jobs will be available for qualified applicants. Assignments will last 5-10 weeks. The 2010 Census is your opportunity to be part of something exciting and challenging that will have a direct impact on your community. To learn more, call 1-866-861-2010, or visit www.2010censusjobs.gov.

Utah Dance Company to Conduct Residencies in North Dakota



Pattie Carr, the Department of Fine and Performing Arts Director, Dance Program and Form and Fusion Dance Company, at Dickinson State University works hard to promote dance in North Dakota. Dickinson State University has the only

formal higher education dance program in the state. Pattie has arranged for the Repertory Dance Theatre (RDT), from Salt Lake City, Utah, to conduct residencies in both Bismarck and Dickinson in January.

They will be in Bismarck January 26 - 28 and will work with the Bismarck Public Schools, Northern Plains Ballet, Bismarck State College and University of Mary. They will be in Dickinson January 28 - 31 and will work with Dickinson High School, Trinity High School, Velocity Dance School and Dickinson State University.

RDT will perform Saturday, January 31 in the Dorothy Stickney Auditorium at 7:30 pm. They are performing an evening long piece called *Time Capsule: A Century of Dance*. Reserved seating and tickets will be \$8 for seniors and adults, and \$6 for children 12 and under. Box Office is open Monday - Friday from 1 - 4:30 p.m. and the telephone number is (701) 483-2154.

This residency is made possible by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the American Masterpieces Dance Program, ArtsMidwest and the North Dakota Council on the Arts. Dickinson State University is providing in kind such as Pattie's salary, Technical Support by Technical Director Mr. Ron Gingerich, and providing the theatre. For more information, contact Pattie Carr at (701) 483-2194.

New Art Gallery Opens in Fargo

"ecce" is Fargo's newest community arts center located at 216 Broadway. ecce, formerly Gallery 514, opened in December. The latin word ecce (pronounced et - cheh) means to behold, or look. ecce seeks to present art + design in a knowledgeable and friendly manner. ecce exhibits outstanding local and regional artists and a diverse selection of international design. For more information, call (701) 361-7067.

Art Ala Carte Saturdays at Taube

Mark your calendars and join the Taube Museum of Art for Art Ala Carte Saturdays! It is All You Can Eat Lunch including Dessert and Beverage served with Children's Art Activities. Lunch will be served from 11:00 am - 1:30 pm on each of the following Saturdays: January 10 - Pancakes and Sausage; February (TBA) - Soup It Up!; March 14 - Pizza; April 11 - Burgers and Fries; May 2 - Tacos.

The lunches are designed for children of all ages with the art activity themed to match the featured Saturday Lunch. Pay at the door prices: Members: \$7; Non-members: \$10; Member Family (up to 4): \$24; Non-Member Family (up to 4): \$30; Children 10 & Under: \$5. For more information, call (701) 838-4445; email taube@srt.com; or visit www.taubemuseum.org.

New Town Gift Shop Gets New Owners

The gift shop along state Highway 23 on the east side of New Town has new owners the Three Affiliated Tribes. Tribal spokeswoman Vonnie Alberts says it's the first time in many years that the tribe has owned a retail store in New Town. Alberts says the tribal business council bought the gift shop to promote economic development, and American Indian arts and crafts. ~ Minot Daily News, www.minotdailynews.com

Linda Ehreth, NDCA's Arts Education Director, Appointed to NASAA's Arts Education Advisory Group



Please join the North Dakota Council on the Arts in congratulating Linda Ehreth, Arts Education Director, on her recent appointment as the Midwest region's representative to the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies' (NASAA) Arts Education Advisory Group. Linda will serve a three year term.

NASAA and the National Endowment for the arts rely on the guidance of this advisory group to provide meaningful leadership development and technical assistance for the arts education field.

In addition to a visible, leadership role within the national network of state art agency arts education managers, as an Arts Education Advisory Group member, Linda will serve as the "point person" for her region, which consists of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois. As the liaison to her region, Linda will disseminate information to the arts education managers; ensure compliance with leadership development support; market leadership development opportunities; poll arts education managers and identify key issue or concerns; and welcome new arts education managers.

"I'm excited about this opportunity and look forward to working with NASAA, and my peers in the Midwest region" said Linda.

Arts in the Schools - North Dakota Arts in Education Documentation Project Spotlight ~ VCSU Community School of the Arts

The purpose of the Arts in North Dakota Documentation Project, conducted by members of the Arts Education Task Force, was to collect stories about successful arts programs in their communities. Stories were collected about individuals, community programs, school programs, regional programs, or any program that the task force members chose to identify. In each edition of the *Prairie Arts* newsletter, NDCA will spotlight one of the documentation project reports.

In this edition, NDCA is spotlighting the Valley City State University Community School of the Arts, which was founded in 1994 as a Preparatory Department affiliated with Valley City State University. In 1996 the Preparatory Department was expanded into a Community School of the Arts, and in 1999 the Community School became a fully certified member of the National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts. Since its inception, the Community School of the Arts has made the arts a more visible and integral part of Valley City and the surrounding communities.

The Community School of the Arts provides the citizens of Valley City and the surrounding communities with access to a variety of arts programs. Operating under the belief that the arts are an important and essential ingredient to any healthy and appealing community. The Community School seeks to offer a variety of programs in music, the visual arts, the literary arts and drama. A scholarship program aids in the effort to make the arts accessible to as many people as possible. The ever-changing curriculum reflects the desires and needs of the community as well as the contribution the Community School makes to nurturing a lifetime of learning and involvement with the arts.

For more information, visit <http://csa.vcsu.edu>; or contact Beth Gigante Klingenstein toll-free at 1-800-532-8641, ext. 3-7269; (701) 845-7269; or email beth.klingenstein@vcsu.edu.

Creative Movement Professional Development Day

Creative Movement Professional Development Day sponsored by ND Child Care Resource and Referral, and the North Dakota Council on the Arts will be offered on Saturday, March 7, 2009 at the Seven Seas Hotel in Mandan, North Dakota from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Professional Development for the Early Childhood Community where you will learn to use the performing arts to enrich, engage, enliven and educate.

All Wolf Trap institute programs provide arts-appropriate curriculum materials created and refined through years of partnership with early childhood educators and outside evaluators.



Come experience how the performing arts can become a new way of teaching and learning. Original and highly effective teaching strategies help children learn through active participation. Classroom teachers and specialists will discover creative techniques to address:

- National, state and local standards
- Early childhood domains
- Critical developmental skills

Learn how to create arts-based experiences that will enhance young children's developmental skills and improve outcomes in key areas including:

- Emergent literacy and language development
- Problem solving
- Comprehension and verbal skills
- Self-awareness and self-confidence
- Large and small muscle movement and coordination
- Exploration of individual creativity
- Social and emotional development
- Motivation and enthusiasm for learning

Registration fee is \$50 and includes lunch. Registration deadline: Friday, February 6, 2009 (After this date the registration fee will be \$75.00). For registration information contact Penny Smith, (701) 530-2511, or via email at psmith@lssnd.org.

Statewide Poetry Out Loud Competition is March 17, 2009!

The National Endowment for the Arts, and the Poetry Foundation, have once again partnered with state agencies to bring *Poetry Out Loud* to high schools across America. The North Dakota State Finals will be held at the North Dakota Heritage Center in Bismarck on March 17, 2009. Trio Apollo, a Bismarck-based woodwind trio, will be performing between student recitations during the semi-finals event. This event is free and open to the public. The winner of the state finals will advance to the National Finals, in Washington, DC, on April 26-28, 2009.

An exciting feature this year is the Coffee House and Open Mic. This event is open to the public and takes place on the Mezzanine, between the semi-finals and finals. Students from the Bismarck High School Lit Club are coordinating this event.

To learn more about Poetry Out Loud, contact NDCA at, 1600 E Century Ave, Ste 6, Bismarck, ND 58503; call (701) 328-7593; or email: lehreth@nd.gov.

Save the Date, June 15-18! North Dakota Studies Teacher Institute

The North Dakota Council on the Arts, in partnership with the North Dakota Teacher Coalition, presents the 8th annual North Dakota Studies Teacher Institute:

PEOPLE, PLACES AND PRE-HISTORY

June 15-18, 2009

In beautiful, historic Medora, North Dakota

For institute details and registration information, contact Craig Hanson at National Park Service; Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site at call (701) 745-3300, or via email to Craig.Hansen@nps.gov.

Grants Awarded Across the State from the North Dakota Council on the Arts

The North Dakota Council on the Arts has recently completed its fall grant round for Fiscal Year 2009. \$65,060.79 was awarded in three different grant programs. All applications were evaluated by grant review panels and all awards were subject to approval by the NDCA's Board of Directors.

General descriptions of the different grant programs, complete guidelines and application instructions for these, and other NDCA grant programs, are available on NDCA's web site at www.nd.gov/arts; by emailing comserv@nd.gov; or by calling (701) 328-7590. Grants Awards Reference - The awarded grants are listed by grant program. The region of the applicant is listed first, followed by applicant name, city and grant amount. For more information regions, please visit www.nd.gov/arts, and click on "Board of Directors."

Artist in Residence

Reg	Name	City	Artist	Award
01	East Fairview Elementary School	Fairview	Ali LaRock	1134.00
01	New Public School District	Williston	Cultural Kaleidoscope	2565.00
03	Devils Lake Public School	Devils Lake	Dragon Jane	4480.00
03	Northern Lights Arts Council	Langdon	B J Buckley	1053.00
05	Central Cass School	Casselton	Missoula CT	1670.00
05	Fairmount Public School District	Fairmount	Linda Back McKay	1100.00
05	General Federation Women's Club	Mayville	Ali LaRock	1120.00
06	Jamestown Fine Arts Assoc	Jamestown	Barry Kleider	2780.00
06	Jamestown Fine Arts Assoc	Jamestown	Willson & McKee	1908.00
06	Kulm Public School	Kulm	Mary Zimmerman	1618.00
06	Lamoure Public School	Lamoure	Sue Anderson	697.00
07	Pioneer Elementary School	Bismarck	Bonnie Torrance	550.00
07	Pride Manchester House	Bismarck	Dragon Jane	1120.00
07	Roosevelt Elementary School	Bismarck	Ali LaRock	790.00
07	Will-Moore Elementary School	Bismarck	Australian Kaleidoscope	2997.00
07	Dorothy Moses Elementary School	Bismarck	Bonnie Torrance	550.00
07	St Mary's Elem School	Bismarck	Irish Kaleidoscope	2996.00
07	Fort Yates Public School	Fort Yates	Australian Kaleidoscope	2950.00

Community Arts Access

Reg	Name	City	Award
03	Little Star Theatre	Milton	1800.00
05	Forman Community Club	Forman	2000.00
05	Northern Cass Elementary School	Hunter	1900.00
06	Wells County Fair Association	Fessenden	2000.00
06	VCSU Community School of the Arts	Valley City	2000.00
06	Zeeland Public School	Zeeland	1500.00
07	Hazen Arts Council Inc	Hazen	2000.00
07	Steele Dawson Public School	Steele	2000.00

Teacher Incentive

Reg	Name	City	Award
02	Kenmare Public School	Kenmare	300.00
02	Kenmare Public School	Kenmare	300.00
02	Kenmare Public School	Kenmare	300.00
02	Edison Elementary School	Minot	203.83
02	Memorial Middle School	Minot AFB	300.00
02	Newburg United School Dist	Newburg	300.00
02	Newburg United School Dist	Newburg	300.00
02	Newburg United School Dist	Newburg	300.00
02	Newburg United School Dist	Newburg	99.00
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04	Park River Elementary School	Park River	243.31
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Jefferson Elementary School	Dickinson	298.80
08	Heart River Elementary School	Dickinson	268.00
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	296.66
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	290.56
08	Heart River Elementary School	Dickinson	268.00
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	298.89
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	290.56
08	Heart River Elementary School	Dickinson	268.00
08	Heart River Elementary School	Dickinson	268.00
08	Heart River Elementary School	Dickinson	268.00
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Berg Elementary School	Dickinson	242.00
08	Lincoln Elementary School	Dickinson	290.56
04	Park River Elementary School	Park River	250.55
04	Park River Elementary School	Park River	215.50
05	Bennett Elementary School	Fargo	300.00
06	Jamestown Middle School	Jamestown	240.00
06	William Gussner Elem School	Jamestown	300.00
07	Roosevelt Elementary School	Bismarck	300.00

NDCA Call for Panelists

The NDCA is looking for people who are interested in serving as panelists for various grant programs. These programs include: Artist in Residence, Community Arts Access, Individual Artist Fellowship, Institutional Support, Presenter Support, and Teacher Incentive grants.

NDCA panelists' advice plays a central role in reviewing applications for funding and in discussing policy issues about the needs of the arts. Panels are composed of individuals who represent a broad range of artistic and cultural viewpoints and geographic and ethnic diversity. Panelists may be either arts experts - experienced in a specific art form - or laypersons who are knowledgeable about the arts but not engaged in the arts as a profession. For more information, call (701) 328-7590.

NDCA Grant Deadlines Approaching

Application deadline dates for NDCA's grant programs are approaching. Artist in Residence, Community Arts Access, Individual Artist Fellowship, Presenter Support, Teacher Incentive and Traditional Arts Apprenticeship grants **must be submitted** by the dates indicated below. **Early submission is strongly encouraged for all programs.**

Complete descriptions of the grant programs, guidelines, how to apply, and other NDCA grant programs are available through NDCA's web site at www.nd.gov/arts, click on "Grant Programs." For questions, please email comserv@nd.gov, or call NDCA's office at (701) 328-7590.

Artist-in-Residence: New Artist

Deadline: **April 1, 2009**

(for residencies between July 1 and June 30 of the upcoming school year)

Artist-in-Residence: Sponsor

Maximum Grant: 50% of the artist's negotiated fee and expenses

Deadline: **April 1, 2009**

Community Arts Access

Maximum Grant: \$2,000

Deadline: **April 1, 2009**

Individual Artist Fellowship

Award Amount: \$2,500

Deadline: **February 15, 2009**

Presenter Support

Maximum Grant: \$2,000

Deadline: **April 1, 2009**

Teacher Incentive

Maximum Grant: \$300

Deadline: **April 1, 2009**

Traditional Arts Apprenticeship

Maximum Grant: \$2,000

Deadline: **May 15, 2009**

(earliest begin date of July 1, 2009 and an end date of April 30, 2010)

Individual Artist Fellowships Available

The North Dakota Council on the Arts' Visual Artists/Craftspeople and Media Artists Individual Artist Fellowship applications are now being accepted and must be submitted online by February 15, 2009. Early submission is encouraged. All applications must be completed via NDCA's new online grant system. The guidelines and applications are available at <http://northdakota.cgweb.org>.

The Individual Fellowship Program was established to recognize practicing artists residing in North Dakota with a monetary fellowship award. This program is designed to support professional artists with outstanding talent and ability to improve their artistic skills and enhance their career opportunities. Two fellowships of \$2,500 are awarded annually with different disciplines in each fiscal year. The North Dakota Council on the Arts reserves the right to not award either fellowship, based on the panel review. Guidelines for Music and Literature will be available in 2010; and guidelines for Dance, Theatre, and Traditional Arts will be available in 2011.

Join a Nation of Readers

The Big Read is now accepting applications from non-profit organizations to conduct month-long, community-wide reads between September 2009 and June 2010. The Big Read is a national program designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture.

Organizations selected to participate in The Big Read will receive a grant ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000, financial support to attend an orientation meeting, educational and promotional materials, inclusion on The Big Read Web site, and the prestige of participating in a highly visible national initiative.

Approximately 400 organizations from across the country will be selected by a panel of experts. To view the guidelines and to apply, visit www.NEABigRead.org.

For questions, call Arts Midwest at (612) 238-8010; or email TheBigRead@artsmidwest.org. The application deadline is February 3, 2009

National Endowment for the Arts Dana Gioia Announces His Future Plans



National Endowment for the Arts Chairman Dana Gioia announced that he will leave his position at the head of the Arts Endowment in January 2009. He will return to writing, his primary occupation prior to leading the Arts Endowment. He will also join the Aspen Institute on a half-time basis as the first Director of the Harman/Eisner (H/E) Program in the Arts.

Dana Gioia began his term in February 2003, becoming the NEA's ninth chairman. In December 2006 he was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate for a second, four-year term. Chairman Gioia has led a transformation of the NEA, reinvigorating the institution with a mission of bringing the best of arts and arts education to all Americans. He has also helped restore the NEA's leadership in fostering informed public discussion of important issues affecting the arts, artists, and education.

Under Gioia's chairmanship, the NEA has effectively democratized its programs and services, maintaining the highest artistic and educational standards while achieving unprecedented outreach to millions of Americans. Gioia has also made arts education central to the agency's mission, creating many programs that combine the presentation of arts with arts education to foster the next generation of artists, audiences and patrons.

"It has been a thrilling experience to help rebuild a great American institution," said Gioia. "We have created a new national consensus on the importance of public support for the arts and arts education. Six years ago that would have seemed unlikely."

"I announce my departure with mixed feelings," he added. "I will never have a more interesting job. But I am a writer. If I don't return to poetry soon, the Muse will never have me back."

The Aspen Institute is an international nonprofit organization founded in 1950, dedicated to fostering enlightened leadership and open-minded dialogue. Through seminars, policy programs, conferences and leadership development initiatives, the Institute and its international partners seek to promote nonpartisan inquiry and an appreciation for timeless values. For more information, visit <http://arts.endow.gov/news/news08/DG.html>.

2009 Coming Up Taller Awards Application Deadline January 30



Each year the Coming Up Taller Awards recognize and reward excellence in after-school and out-of-school arts and humanities programs for underserved children and youth. Award recipients receive \$10,000 each, an individualized plaque, and an invitation to attend the annual Coming Up Taller Leadership Enhancement Conference. The awards seek to promote a creative, engaged, skilled, and confident generation of young people. The deadline for receipt of nomination forms for the 2009 awards is January 30. To review the eligibility requirements and apply for consideration, the nomination application is available at www.nasaa-arts.org/nasaanews/2009CUTNominationApplication.pdf.

Coming Up Taller is a program of the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, visit <http://www.pcah.gov/cut.htm>.

Arts Advocacy Day & Nancy Hanks Lecture

March 30–31, 2009. Join Americans for the Arts during the 22nd Annual National Arts Advocacy Day and Annual Nancy Hanks Lecture on Arts and Public Policy. A new administration and Congress bring the promise of bold, new leadership for the arts in America. Especially in these times of economic uncertainty, it is even more crucial to make our case that the arts are an important engine for economic growth. On Monday, March 30, participate with hundreds of grassroots advocates from across the country in legislative training sessions and listen to world-renowned trumpeter and composer Wynton Marsalis deliver the Nancy Hanks Lecture at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Seating for the lecture is limited, so please request your free ticket today. Marsalis's lecture will inspire you and the Congressional Arts Breakfast on Capitol Hill on Tuesday will fuel you for a day of meetings with your members of Congress on important arts-related issues. Your involvement does make an impact, so register now! For more info on Arts Advocacy Day, contact Natalie Shoop at nshoop@artsusa.org. For more info on the Hanks Lecture, contact Ben Burdick at bburdick@artsusa.org. For more information, visit www.artsusa.org/events/2009/aad/default.asp.

March is National Youth Art Month

National Youth Art Month is an annual observance each March to emphasize the value of art education and to encourage public support for quality school art programs. The focus of this month is to convey to the public that art education develops self-discipline, self-esteem, and a sense of pride in self-expression. Youth Art Month has been observed nationally since 1961.

April Is Jazz Appreciation Month

In music education, April has been designated as "Jazz Appreciation Month" by the Smithsonian National Museum of American History in cooperation with various music education groups and organizations. The purpose of this celebration is to raise the awareness of the public about the impact of jazz on music history, to appreciate the figures of jazz and to encourage young people to become jazz musicians. To learn more visit Smithsonian's web site at www.smithsonianjazz.org. Lesson plans for middle school students will be available at the National Association for Music Education's web site at www.menc.org/s/jazz.

April Is National Poetry Month

Inaugurated by the Academy in April 1996, National Poetry Month brings together publishers, booksellers, literary organizations, libraries, schools, and poets around the country to celebrate poetry and its vital place in American culture. Thousands of businesses and non-profit organizations participate through readings, festivals, book displays, workshops, and other events. For more information, visit www.poets.org/page.php/prmID/41.

Events Calendar

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BISMARCK/MANDAN

- Jan 13-14** - Marketplace for Entrepreneurs, Civic Center www.marketplaceforentrepreneurs.org
- Jan 18-20** - Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus "Evening on Broadway" Fri-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun 3pm. Sidney J. Lee Aud, BSC
- Jan 24** - Super Saturday for kids, 9am-3pm, Frances Leach High Prairie Arts & Science, www.highprairiecomplex.com
- Jan 25** - U-Mary Woodwind Faculty Recital, 1:30pm R.M. Heskett Hall
- Jan 30** - University of Mary Jazz Festival 8pm. Bismarck Civic Center
- Feb 7** - Jubilate of Central Dakota Children's Choir (CDCC) Live Art in Motion, Kirkwood Mall, 12pm
- Feb 9-12** - "Lincoln Life Lessons" High Prairie Arts & Science
- Feb 12** - North Dakota Council on the Arts Board Meeting. 8:30am, ND Heritage Ctr, call 328-7590
- Feb 12** - ND Celebrates the 16th President, Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday. State Historical Society, www.nd.gov/hist
- Feb 17** - The Vienna Boys Choir, 8pm, Belle Mehus City Aud. 222-6640
- Feb 22** - U-Mary Band & Choir Concert, 3pm. Our Lady of the Annunciation Chapel
- Feb 28-Mar 1** - Northern Plains Ballet "Choreographer's Showcase: Tango to Two-Step" 530-0986
- Mar 4** - Jubilate and Bel Canto of CDCC Bismarck Public Schools SIPS concert, Belle Mehus Aud, 1pm
- Mar 13** - Bismarck Art & Galleries Association's Annual Wine Taste 7-10pm. Bismarck Country Club
- Mar 22-24** - ND Music Educators Conf Civic Center, 293-1564, or denese@cablone.net
- Mar 25** - Kantorei of CDCC, 6th Grade Educational Concert Series, Simle Middle School, 9 & 10:30am
- Mar 26-28** - U-Mary's "Sound of Music" 7:30pm; Mar 29, 2pm. Belle Mehus
- Apr 1-5** - Bismarck State College spring musical. Wed-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2:30pm, Sidney J. Lee Aud
- Apr 18** - CDCC Singing in Style, All Choirs, 6pm, Ramkota Hotel
- Apr 24** - Bel Canto of CDCC, 2nd & 3rd Grade Educational Concert Series, Simle Middle School, 9am, 10:30am & 1:30pm
- Apr 26** - U-Mary Woodwind Chamber Concert, 3pm. R.M. Heskett Hall

CANDO

For more info email Cando Arts Council sblordtwo@gondtc.com

- Feb 6** - Jim Dow Lecture on his North Dakota photographs, Panoramic Baseball Fields & Contemporary Photography, Audi Theatre, 6-8pm, Cando Art Center

DICKINSON

- Feb 26-28 & Mar 1** - The Good Person of Setzuan, 7:30pm, Dorothy Stickney Aud, DSU
- Apr 23-25, 30 & May 1-3** - "Out of Order," 7:30pm Backstage Theatre, DSU

ELLENDALE

For more info visit: www.ellendalend.com, click on "Arts"

- Jan 10** - (TBD) The Avera United Clinic Ellendale Area Arts Council (EEAC) & OPERA, Inc. co-host "sheArts", a cancer awareness presentation by Claudia Pratt
- Jan 24** - EAAC & OPERA host a presentation on Snow Country Prison by Dr. Carolyn Baker. Opera House
- Feb 6-7** - Celebration of the Opera House's 100th birthday. Several events thru Dec 2009 to celebrate the building's Centennial

FARGO/MOORHEAD

For additional Fargo/Moorhead region events, please visit: www.culturepulse.org

- Jan 7** - Jazz Arts Group's History of Jazz Concerts. 9am, 10:30am & 1pm. Fargo South HS Aud
- Jan 10** - Jazz Day, Christiansen Recital Hall, Concordia College 218-299-4515
- Jan 16-17** - Directing Scenes Festival, 8pm Lab Theatre, Concordia
- Jan 17-18** - FM Symphony Orchestra's Masterworks III Concert. NDSU Festival Concert Hall
- Jan 21** - The Nick Fryer Trio with Simon Rowe & Allen Carter. Rush Hour Music Series, 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum, www.plainsart.org
- Jan 23-24** - Cantus of CDCC, Rene Clausen Choral Workshop, Concordia College, 4pm
- Jan 24** - Jazz Arts Group, Gordon Goodwin & Wayne Bergeron, sax/trumpet, 8pm, Fargo Theatre. www.jazzartsfm.com
- Jan 30-31** - 2nd in "Series of Thrills" Penderecki String Quartet, 7:30pm Roland Dille Center, MSUM www.mnstate.edu/perform
- Jan 31** - F-M Opera Company's 40th Anniversary Gala, Crystal Ballroom, Ramada Plaza Suites. 239-4558; www.fmopera.org
- Feb 1** - F-M Chamber Chorale's afternoon of Love Songs, 2 pm Gethsemane Episcopal Cathedral
- Feb 5** - MSUM's Tri-College Jazz Combos, 7:30pm, Glasrud Aud
- Feb 5-7** - Midwinter Piano Festival, Concordia College
- Feb 6-15** - Sweet Charity, the Musical. F-M Community Theatre
- Feb 8** - FMSSO's Chamber Music Series III Concert. 2pm, First Presbyterian Church
- Feb 12** - Little Country Theatre's Herbert Mitgang's MISTER LINCOLN. Askanase Aud. Celebrating Lincoln's 200th birthday
- Feb 12 & 13** - Face on the Barroom Floor-Fort Nox Bar of Gold on Broadway. F-M Opera Company
- Feb 12-15** - The Heidi Chronicles by Wendy Wasserstein, 8pm-2:30pm Frances Frazier Comstock Theatre, Concordia College
- Feb 14** - Jazz Arts Group, Michael Kocour, piano, 8pm, Fargo Theatre

- Feb 14** - MSUM's University Symphony Orchestra, 7:30pm, Hansen Theatre, Roland Dille Center
- Feb 15** - Concordia College Orchestra Home Concert, 7:30pm Memorial Aud, Concordia College
- Feb 17** - Cobber Band Composer Concert 7:30pm Orchestra Rehearsal Hall/North Choral Room, Concordia
- Feb 18** - The Deb Jenkins Band. Rush Hour Music Series, 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Feb 19** - Jazz Ensemble Concert, 7:30pm Orchestra Rehearsal Hall/North Choral Room, Concordia College
- Feb 19** - "Series of Thrills" Ladysmith Black Mombazo. 7:30pm, Roland Dille Center, MSUM
- Feb 20 & 25-28** - MSUM's The Compleat Female Stage Beauty, Gaede Stage, Roland Dille Center
- Feb 22** - MSUM's Music Dept's band concert, 3pm. Glasrud Aud
- Feb 26 & Feb 28** - The Velvetten Rabbit F-M Community Theatre
- Feb 27 & Mar 1** - Huck Finn's Story F-M Community Theatre
- Mar 1** - F-M Area Youth Symphonies Pops Concert, 4pm, Fargo South High Theater. 388-4536
- Mar 3-7** - 9th Annual Fargo Film Festival www.fargofilmfestival.org
- Mar 4** - Steve Beckermann & Michael J. Olsen. Rush Hour Music Series 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Mar 8** - Concordia Choir Home Concert 4pm Mem Aud, Concordia College
- Mar 11** - Lucille Black. Rush Hour Music 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Mar 12** - "Springin for Jazz" Fundraiser, Jazz Arts Group. Fargo Holiday Inn, 5:30pm, 218-359-4529
- Mar 12-14** - Wait Until Dark by Frederick Knott, 8pm, Lab Theatre, Concordia College
- Mar 15** - Chapel Choir Home Concert, 7:30pm, Knutson Campus Center Centrum, Concordia College
- Mar 18** - Fancy That. Rush Hour Music 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Mar 25** - Tucker'd Out. Rush Hour Music 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Mar 27-Apr 5** - Leading Ladies. F-M Community Theatre
- Mar 28** - Luncheon with stars of Carmen & Fargo Country Club. F-M Opera Company
- Mar 28** - MSUM's Music Dept's Debbie Duncan, 6pm, Ramada Plaza
- Mar 29** - Three Choirs Concert, 2pm Mem Aud, Concordia College
- Mar 29** - Vocal Jazz Ensemble Concert, 7:30pm Christiansen Recital Hall, Concordia College
- Mar 30** - Symphonia Concert, 8pm Knutson Campus Center Centrum, Concordia College
- Mar 31** - Cultural Event Series: Turtle Island Quartet, 7:30pm Knutson Campus Center Centrum
- Apr 1** - Nick Kor. Rush Hour Music 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Apr 2-5** - The Madwoman of Chailot by Jean Giradoux, 8pm-2:30pm Frances Frazier Comstock Theatre, Concordia College
- Apr 3 & 5** - Carmen at Festival Hall, NDSU. F-M Opera Company
- Apr 4** - Percussion Ensemble Concert, 7:30pm, Memorial Aud, Concordia
- Apr 6** - Jazz Ensemble Concert, 8pm Orchestra Rehearsal Hall/North Choral Room, Concordia College
- Apr 8** - Ben Suchy. Rush Hour Music 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
- Apr 15** - Carmen the Cactus. Rush Hour Music Series, 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum

FARGO/MOORHEAD

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- Apr 16** - MSUM's Jazz Ensemble, 7:30pm, Glasrud Aud
Apr 17 - Instrumental Collage Concert, 7:30pm Memorial Aud, Concordia
Apr 17 - MSUM's Percussion Ensemble, 7:30pm. Gaede Stage
Apr 18 - Jazz Arts Group, Melba Joyce, vocals, 8pm, Fargo Theatre
Apr 19 - MSUM's Band Concert, 3pm, Glasrud Aud
Apr 19 - F-M Area Youth Symphonies' Spring Concert, 4pm, NDSU Festival Concert Hall
Apr 20-22 - One Act Play Festival, 8pm Lab Theatre, Concordia College
Apr 22 - MSUM's vocal jazz group Snowfire, 7:30pm, Glasrud Aud
Apr 22 - Tom Carvell & Friends. Rush Hour Music Series, 5:30-7pm, Plains Art Museum
Apr 22-25 - MSUM's The Producers, Hansen Theatre
Apr 23 - MSUM's Bass Ensemble, 7:20pm, Fox Recital Hall
Apr 24 - Cultural Event Series: Chanticleer, 8pm Memorial Aud, Concordia College
Apr 25-26 - F-M Chamber Chorale joins F-M Symphony Orchestra & others. 8pm & 2pm, Fargo Dome
Apr 26 - Oratorio, 7:30pm Memorial Aud, Concordia College
Apr 26 - MSUM's Festival Choirs, 7:30pm Our Redeemer Church, Moorhead
Apr 30-May 1 - MSUM's Film Studies Dept's senior seminar film screening, 6:30pm

GRAND FORKS

For more info and Grand Forks region events, please visit:
www.culturepulse.org

- Jan 25** - Concert Series, Stefan Hussong, accordion & Mike Svoboda, trombone. 777-4195. North Dakota Museum of Art (NDMOA)
Jan 31-Feb 1 - Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra's "Winter Baroque" Sat, 7:30pm, First Presbyterian Church; Sun, 2pm, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Thief River Falls
Feb 5 - Elaine McKenzie Memorial Lecture, History of Contemporary Photography, 7pm, by Jim Dow. NDMOA
Feb 7 - "The Gala Benefit Dinner and Silent Art Auction" 5:30pm. Over 50 pieces from regional, national, and international artists for sale. NDMOA
Mar 7-8 - Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra's Spring Concert. Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm, Empire Arts Center
Mar 22 - Concert Series, Tapestry, a vocal ensemble. NDMOA

JAMESTOWN

- Jan 15** - Performance by Willson & McKee, 7pm, The Arts Center
Jan 26 - Evening with Jamestown HS Jazz Band. 7:30pm
Feb 7 - Annual Arts Center Gala, The Arts Center
Feb 21 - Anniversary Concert celebrating Dr. William Wojnar's 30 years at Jamestown College, 4pm, Voorhees Chapel
Feb 26-28 - Jamestown College Theatre's Crimes of the Heart, 7:30 pm. Reiland Fine Arts Center

- Feb 28** - Wine & Cheese Tasting 7pm, The Arts Center
Mar 9 - Performance by UND's Steel Drum Band, 7pm, Arts Center
Mar 20-21 - Last Annual Comedy Revue, 7:30pm, The Arts Center
Mar 27 - After 5 Beer Tasting, 7pm, The Arts Center
Apr 1 - Theatreworks USA "Duck Soup & Wizard's Apprentice" The Arts Center
Apr 2-4 - Jamestown College Theatre's The Liar, 7:30 pm. Reiland Fine Arts Center
Apr 30 - Jamestown College Theatre's An Evening of One-Acts, 7:30 pm Reiland Fine Arts Center

LANGDON

Northern Lights Arts Council
for more info, call 283-5458

- Feb 17** - Dakota Discussions, Book TBA. Langdon Research Center, (LRC) 7pm
Feb 24 - Public Writing Workshop with BJ Buckley. Public Library, 7pm
Mar 12-15 - Dinner Theater, TBA. LRC, 6pm; Sun 2pm
Mar 16 - Dakota Discussions, Book TBA. LRC, 7pm
Apr 6 - Dakota Discussions, Book TBA. LRC, 7pm

MAYVILLE

- Jan 22** - 9th Annual Arts Gala "It's a Jungle Out There" 7-9pm. Live & silent art auction, Hors d'ouvres buffet. 788-4288. Northern Lights Art Gallery
Jan 26 - Stefan Hussong, accordion, & Michael Svoboda, trombone, 7:30pm. Mayville State Univ
Mar 23 - Tapestry, 7:30pm. Mayville State University, 788-2301

MINOT

For additional Minot area events, please visit: www.minotarts.org

- Jan 8-11** - Mouse River Players's (MRP) "The Dining Room" Thur-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm. Arlene Saugstad Theater, 838-3939
Jan 10 - Art Ala Carte, 11am-1pm. Join the Taube Museum for Art Ala Carte, All You Can Eat lunch & Children's Art Activities
Jan 24 - Northern Lights String Quartet's 'Light Classical & Folk' Concert, 3pm. Carnegie Center
Jan 30-31 - Minot Symphony Orchestra (MSO) Children's Concert. 858-4228, Ann Nicole Nelson Hall
Feb 7 - Art Ala Carte, 11am-1pm. Join the Taube Museum for Art Ala Carte, All You Can Eat lunch & Children's Art Activities
Feb 15 - Brass Band of Minot Winter Concert, 4pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 839-1993
Feb 17 - International Artist Series Claremont Trio 7:30pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 858-0863
Feb 19-21 & 26-28 - Heritage Singers Annual Variety Show & Silent Auction, 5-9pm. Vegas Motel
Mar 1 - Minot Chamber Chorale (MCC) "Schubert's Mass No. 2, 4-6pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 838-8709
Mar 6-8 - MRP's "The Last of the Minot Flappers" Thur-Sat, 7:30pm; Sun, 2pm. Arlene Saugstad Theater, 838-3939
Mar 7 - MSO's Winter's Passing Concert 7:30-9:30pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 858-4228

- Mar 14** - Art Ala Carte, 11am-1pm. Join the Taube Museum for Art Ala Carte, All You Can Eat lunch & Children's Art Activities
Mar 23 - International Artist Series Side Street Strutters, 7:30pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall
Apr 5 - Brass Band of Minot Spring Concert, 4pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 839-1993
Apr 11 - Art Ala Carte, 11am-1pm. Join the Taube Museum for Art Ala Carte, All You Can Eat lunch & Children's Art Activities
Apr 18 - Nodakords Annual "Good Time Music Show" 7:30-9:30pm. Holiday Inn
Apr 19 - International Artist Series Peter Halverson, 3pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 858-0863
Apr 24 - Monroe Crossing Concert & BBQ Rib Dinner, 5-8pm. Zion Lutheran Church
Apr 25 - MSO's Annual Pops Concert, 7:30-9:30pm. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 858-4228
Apr 26 - MCC's Spring Concert & Ice Cream Social, 3-5pm. First Lutheran Church, 838-8709

PEKIN

Call 296-4515 or email
bebjorlie@stellarnet.com

- Jan 18** - Soundfest, 3-8pm, Pekin Community Center
Mar 1 - Winter Art Auction, time and location tbd

VALLEY CITY

VCSU Fine Arts, for more info visit:
www.vcsu.edu/academics/divisions/finearts

- Jan 29** - 7:30pm, Michael Whisler, Guitar, Froemke
Feb 1 - 3pm, VCSU Opera Ensemble, Froemke
Feb 8 - 3pm, VCSU Faculty Recital, Froemke
Feb 9 - 7:30pm, Trumpet Invasion, Vangstad
Feb 27 - 7:30pm, James Adams, Trombone & Chris Mahan, Percussion, Froemke
Mar 1 - 3pm, Sarah Kahl, Piano & Jon Rudolph, Guitar, Froemke
Mar 5 - 7:30pm, VCSU Concert Band Pops Concert, Vangstad
Mar 8 - 3pm, Valley Children's Choir, Froemke
Mar 10 - 11am, General Student Recital, Froemke
Apr 2 - 7:30pm, General Student Recital, Froemke
Apr 5 - 7:30pm, University Singers & Percussion Ensemble, Froemke
Apr 19 - 3pm, Kelsey Wilhelm, Saxophone & Casey Behm, Piano, Froemke
Apr 21 - 7:30pm, VCSU/JS/JHS Orchestras, Vangstad
Apr 23 - 7:30pm, VCSU Jazz Ensemble, Student Center Cafeteria
Apr 26 - 7:30pm, VCSU Choral Concert, VCSU Concert Choir & HS Invitational, Epworth United Methodist Church
Apr 29 - 7pm, Garage Bands, City Park OR Vangstad

WAHPETON

All events take place in the NDSCS Stern Cultural Center

- Jan 15** - Comedy, Derek Hughes, 7pm
Feb 2 - Traces Concert, 7pm
Feb 19 - Variety Show, 7:30pm, Laurie LeKang, 671-2871

WAHPETON

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- Feb 23** - NDSCS-Wahpeton-Breckenridge Choir Festival, 7:30pm, 671-2872
- Mar 1** - Fascinating Gershwin/Twin Town Artist Series, 7:30pm, Alan Dahlman, 642-4586
- Mar 2** - NDSCS-Wahpeton-Breckenridge Mass Band Concert, 7:30pm 671-2871
- Apr 16** - NDSCS Spring Band & Choir Concert, 7:30pm, Laurie LeKang, 671-2871
- Apr 27** - Synergy Brass Quintet, Twin Town Artist Series, 7:30pm, Alan Dahlman, 642-4586
- Apr 28** - Final NDSCS Music Concert, 7:30pm, Laurie LeKang, 671-2871

WILLISTON

For more information, contact James Memorial Art Center, 774-3601, www.jamesmemorial.com

- Jan 11** - 2nd Sunday at the James performance by The Cool Up North. James Memorial Art Center (JMAC) 621 First Ave W
- Feb 8** - 2nd Sunday at the James performance by Herb & Vangie Parker. JMAC
- Feb 12-16** - Entertainment, Inc! & Select Ford Mercury proudly present "Is He Dead?" 577-3179 www.entertainmentinc.org Old Armory Theatre
- Feb 13** - Third annual "Soup's On" fund raiser. JMAC
- Mar 8** - 2nd Sunday performance by "Sisters 4." JMAC
- Mar 19-23** - Entertainment, Inc! presents "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" 577-3179, Old Armory Theatre
- Apr 19** - 2nd Sunday performance by Williston State College Select Singers. JMAC

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BISMARCK/MANDAN

- Jan 6-24** - Ken Dalgarno; Member Artist, Dawn Kopp. Rec: Jan 9, 5-7pm. Bismarck Art & Galleries Association (BAGA)
- Jan 27-Feb 28** - Eric A. Johnson, Fargo; Member Artists, Bev Haas & Robin Reynolds. Rec: Feb 6, 5-7pm. BAGA
- Mar 3-28** - Judy Bell, Minot; Member Artist, Crystal Albrecht. Rec: Mar 6, 5-7pm. BAGA
- Thru Mar 31** - Ellendale Area artist's works on display in the offices of Governor Hoeven, First Lady Mikey Hoeven and the Attorney General's Office. Bismarck State Capitol Building

Mar 31-Apr 25 - Dan Jones, Fargo; Member Artists, Rose Marie Ehresman & Elaine Keller-Qualley. Rec: Apr 3, 5-7pm. BAGA

Apr-Jun - Bowman artist, Cris Fulton's works on display in the offices of Governor Hoeven, First Lady Mikey Hoeven and the Attorney General's Office. Bismarck State Capitol Building

Ongoing - Gallery 522, 200 West Main

Ongoing - Mandan Art Association's Art Gallery & Gift Shop. 411 West Main

CANDO

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Feb 3-13 - Paintings by Ken Delgarno Cando Art Center Gallery

Mar 2-12 - Area Student Art Show Cando Art Center Gallery

DICKINSON

Jan 12-30 - Rhonda Walter-Frojen "Williwaw Tales," DSU Art Gallery, 483-2312

Feb 2-27 - "Marking the Land: Jim Dow in ND," DSU Art Gallery

Mar 2-27 - Carol Eacret-Simmons "Anonymous Was A Woman" DSU Art Gallery

Mar 30-Apr 30 - Annual Senior Exhibit, Rec: Apr 5. DSU Art Gallery

May 4-17 - Annual Faculty Show, DSU Art Gallery

ELLENDALE

Jan 10-24 - (TBD) Avera United Clinic, Ellendale Area Arts Council (EEAC) & OPERA, Inc. sponsor "sheArts", a cancer awareness exhibit. Opera House lobby

Late Feb - (TBA) EAAC & OPERA co-host the 2nd Annual World Art Show. Opera House

FARGO/MOORHEAD

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Thru Jan 4 - The Inspired Line, select prints from the Thrivent Financial Collection of Religious Art. Rourke Art Museum

Thru Jan 11 - Charles Beck, recent woodcuts & paintings. Rourke Art Museum, 218-236-8861

Jan 12-21 - MSUM's Art & Design Dept's Faculty Exhibition, MSUM Art Gallery, 218-477-2284

Jan 13-Feb 22 - Annual Faculty Art Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Rec: Jan 13, 5-7pm. 218-299-4623

Jan 26-Feb 11 - MSUM's Art & Design Dept's Ceramics Invitational Exhibit, MSUM Art Gallery

Thru Feb 1 - J Bracken Rourke "Back & Bright" ceramic art. Rourke Art Gallery

Thru Feb 8 - "Pulp Function" Featuring 75 works, Plains Art Museum

Feb 16-Mar 4 - MSUM's Art & Design Dept's BA/BS Student Art Exhibit, MSUM Art Gallery

Thru Feb 22 - "Artview: The Birds of Sanibel Island" photos by Stan Thompson, Plains Art Museum

Feb 26-Jun 7 - "Art of the Guitar: A Luthier's Renaissance." Plains Art Museum

Feb 27-Mar 29 - "School Spirit: Celebrating Youth Art Month" Rec: Mar 8, Studio 3, Plains Art Museum

Thru Mar 1 - "Art on the Plains X (AOP X)" 2008 Regional Juried exhibition. Plains Art Museum

Mar 9-Apr 7 - MSUM's Art & Design Dept's Juried Student Art Exhibit, MSUM Art Gallery

Mar 10-Apr 5 - Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Rec: Mar 9, 5-7pm

Apr 13-29 - MSUM's Art & Design Dept's BFA Exhibit, MSUM Art Gallery

Apr 14-May 3 - Senior Art Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Rec: Apr 14, 5-7pm

Ongoing - Plains Art Museum

"International Harvester Historical Photographs" Café Muse

"Treasures from the Vault" Landfield Atrium

"Keys to the Collection: Works from the Permanent Collection" Fred Donath, Jr. Memorial Gallery

"Community Connections" features recently produced artwork by students. Lesmeister Gallery Selections from Hannaher's Inc. Print Studio. Lesmeister Gallery

GRAND FORKS

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Thru Jan 5 - Vivienne Morgan: A Sense of Place. Photography. North Dakota Museum of Art (NDMOA)

Jan 19-Feb 22 - "Twin Cities Area Artists" NDMOA

Jan 18-Feb 7 - "Silent Art Auction Work on Display" Over 50 pieces from regional, national, & international artists for sale. NDMOA

Thru Feb 8 - Animals: Them and Us. A multi-media exhibition. NDMOA

Feb 15-Apr 19 - "Artists and War Part II" Features art about the war or conflict. NDMOA

Feb 15-Apr 19 - Cecilia Condit (b. 1947) Condit has had numerous exhibitions of her work in film, performance/installation, & photography. NDMOA

Apr 26-Jun 14 - "Zoran Mojsilov: Mid-career Survey" Zoran grew up with his grandmother in a poor Serbian village in former Yugoslavia. Exhibit to tour. NDMOA

Apr 26-Jun 14 - "Sophiya Khwaja" This is the first solo Museum exhibition by Pakistani artist Sophiya Khwaja. NDMOA

Ongoing

Exhibit of artwork by more than 50 artists. Browning Arts Gallery. Call 746-5090

Exhibit of Artwork by North Dakota artists. Dakota Collection Gallery. Call 775-2521

JAMESTOWN

- Jan 7-Feb 7** - "ARTS DAKOTA,"
Showcases many of ND's finest creative personalities, both professional & amateur. The Arts Center, 251-2496
- Feb 12-Mar 14** - William Hessian's Miniatures Exhibit & art from Home-Schooled Kids. The Arts Center
- Mar 19-Apr 25** - Ken Delgarno Sculpted Landscapes Exhibit. The Arts Center
- Apr 30-May 30** - 45th Annual Area Artists Exhibit. The Arts Center
- Monthly Exhibits** - Unison Bank now offers monthly art exhibits. For more info, call 253-5600

LANGDON

Northern Lights Arts Council
for more info, call 283-5458

- Mar 2-18** - ND Museum of Art Exhibit
"Marking the Land: Jim Dow in North Dakota" FM Mall.
Weekdays 10am-5pm

MAYVILLE

- Jan 26-Feb 20** - Jari Chevalier,
"Mathematics of Ecstasy" No admission fee. Northern Lights Art Gallery, 11am-3pm, Mon-Fri & Thurs until 6:30pm, 788-4670
- Mar 2-Apr 3** - Ewa Tarsia "Absolute Dots" Ewa Tarsia, No admission fee. Northern Lights Art Gallery
- Apr 1-May 15** - "ARTS DAKOTA,"
Showcases many of ND's finest creative personalities, both professional & amateur. Northern Lights Art Gallery

MINOT

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please visit: www.minotarts.org

- Jan 2** - Motorcycles as Art Co-op
Exhibition with 62 Doors Studio & Gallery, Taube Museum of Art
- Jan 1-31** - Society of Creative Anachronism Display, Minot Public Library
- Jan 5-Feb 11** - Soul Journey, paintings by Janet Gorzegno. Rec: Jan 14, 6:30-8:30pm. Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery, MSU
- Feb 1-28** - Prairie Quilt Guild Display, Minot Public Library
- Jan 12-Feb 20** - Americas 2009: Paperworks. Rec: Jan 14, 6:30-8:30pm. Hartnet Hall Gallery, MSU
- Feb 18-Mar 17** - On the Surface: Facades of Reality. Works by Brian Hushagen. Rec: Mar 6, 6:30-8pm. Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery, MSU
- Mar 1-31** - Watercolors by Jim Hill Art Students Display, Public Library
- Mar 3-24** - Women's Work. Works by regional women artists. Rec: Mar 6, 6:30-8pm. Hartnet Hall Gallery, MSU
- Mar 23-Apr 17** - Paintings by Michelle Lindblom. Rec: Mar 27, 6:30-8pm. Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery, MSU
- Mar 27-Apr 30** - MSU Juried Student Art Show. Rec: Mar 27, 6:30-8pm; 7pm awards & gallery talk. Hartnet Hall Gallery, MSU
- Apr 27-May 21** - My Matisse. Senior Paintings by Rachael Vincent. Rec: Apr 29, 6:30-8pm. Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery, MSU

VALLEY CITY

- Jan 5-30** - VCSU Art Faculty Exhibition
Rec: Jan 22, 7-8:30pm Valley City State University Gallery
www.vcsu.edu/academics/divisions/finearts
- Feb 2-27** - Annual Art Student Exhibition
Rec: Feb 26, 5-6:30pm VCSU Gallery
- Mar 30-Apr 17** - Through the Lens: Alice Beauchman & Bob Christy, Rec: Apr 3, 4-5:30pm, VCSU Gallery
- Mar 2-27** - VCSU Quilters Exhibition, VCSU Gallery
- Apr 20-May 8** - Micki McLain Senior Exhibition, Rec: May 3, 3-4:30pm VCSU Gallery

WASHBURN

Maximilian Exhibit at Lewis & Clark Center, Artifacts from Germany & Thomas Jefferson letters from the Library of Congress
"Enlightened Travel: Price Maximilian in America, 1832-1834." The exhibit complements "Karl Bodmer's America" featuring 81 of the Swiss artist's "aquatint" prints. Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center. For more info, visit www.fortmandan.com.

WILLISTON

- Jan 6-25** - North Dakota Juried Student Art Traveling Show 2007-08. James Memorial Art Center (JMAC), 774-3601; or www.jamesmemorial.com
- Feb 1-27** - Exhibition by Leith Howard DeWeese of Montana. JMAC
- Mar 21-29** - Upper Missouri Camera Club & Williston Area Woodworkers Annual Show. JMAC
- Apr** - (TBA) Marking the Land: Jim Dow in North Dakota. JMAC

Pottery Road Show

The North Dakota Pottery Collectors Society has developed an educational program called the "NDPCS Pottery Road Show."

The program provides historical and general information about the major producers of the different types of pottery made from North Dakota clay. These include: University of North Dakota Pottery, Dickota Pottery, Turtle Mountain Indian Pottery, WPA Ceramics, Rosemeade Pottery, Ceramics by Messer, Little Heart Ceramics, & Three Tribes Stoneware. According to NDPCS Road Show coordinator Quent Christman, the two-part program includes a visual presentation and an identification/appraisal session which can be adapted to fit many situations.

To host the Road Show in your community, visit www.ndpcs.org, or call (701) 775-3265.

Trollwood Performing Arts Office Has Moved

The Trollwood Core Team has officially moved to their new location in South Moorhead. Their new address is: 801 50th Ave SW, Moorhead, MN 56560. New numbers are, phone: (218) 477-6500; fax: (218) 477-6501. Call or stop by for a visit.

Lincoln Bicentennial Events

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3) Public Performances and Celebrations - February 11, 7-8:30 p.m. at High Prairie, a 200th Birthday Eve Celebration, February 12, 5-7:30 p.m. at Heritage Center, and February 12, all day at the ND State Capitol. For more information, visit www.HighPrairieComplex.com.

Little Country Theatre on the campus of NDSU presents Herbert Mitgang's MISTER LINCOLN for a single performance February 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Askanase Auditorium in celebration of the bicentennial of Lincoln's birth. The one man show will feature NDSU theatre alum Mark Neukom originally from Jamestown, ND now living in the Twin Cities. That date also marks the 95th anniversary of the founding of the Little Country Theatre.

Through January 31, 2010 the "Lincoln's Legacy in North Dakota" exhibit will be on display in the Auditorium Gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center in Bismarck. Abraham Lincoln's connections to North Dakota - then northern Dakota Territory - are many. This exhibit examines Lincoln's legacy in the 39th state as North Dakota and the nation commemorate the bicentennial birthday of its 16th President. As part of the exhibit, the original Homestead Act signed by President Lincoln was displayed from May 16-November 11, 2008, on loan from the National Archives. The document had not been on public display since 1979.

Lincoln bicentennial events that already took place include "An Evening with James McPherson," Pulitzer Prize-winning Civil War historian and North Dakota native, who presented programs in Fargo October 16, sponsored by Read North Dakota; the 20th Annual Governor's Conference on North Dakota History, Lincoln Legacy: The Homestead Act, November 7-8, sponsored by the State Historical Society of North Dakota at the North Dakota Heritage Center - this was the second part of a two-part theme for the conference, with part one in November 2007 as Lincoln Legacy: The Railroad; and performances of "Lincoln at Ease" by the Greater Grand Forks Symphony November 15-16 at the Empire Arts Center.

Veteran Chautauqua scholars Dr. George Frein portrayed President Lincoln and Dr. Jerry Tweton portrayed William Jayne, the first governor of Dakota Territory appointed by Lincoln, as part of the "Lincoln, Land, and Liberty" program sponsored by the North Dakota Humanities Council and State Historical Society of North Dakota. The "Lincoln, Land, and Liberty" Chautauqua programs took place in Bismarck, Fargo-Moorhead, and Jamestown in July and August 2008.

A group of people with ties to North Dakota will travel to Norway to take part in the ceremony, which is held every year on or near July 4, at the site of the heroic-sized bust of Lincoln in Oslo's Frogner Park. The bust was a gift to Norway in 1914 from the people of North Dakota to celebrate the centennial of Norway adopting its constitution and declaring itself an independent nation. For more information, contact Brekke Tours and Travel at this toll-free number: 800-437-5302, visit www.brekketours.com, or email tours@brekкетours.com.

For more information about the Lincoln Bicentennial, visit www.history.nd.gov, and www.abrahamlincoln200.org.

Arts Opportunities

For more information on the following opportunities, please call the phone numbers or visit the web sites provided. Additional information and opportunities can be found on NDCA's web site at www.nd.gov/arts and click on "Arts Opportunities."

Film/Video/Screenwriting

No information currently listed.

Literature

Get published. Americans for the Arts is seeking writers for its new publication, the Arts Education Information Quarterly (AEIQ). Submissions always welcome. Email jabodeely@artsusa.org; or visit www.AmericansForTheArts.org/ArtsEducation/AEIQ.

Reflections- Midwest Living magazine. Tell us your story about a happening that typifies life in the Midwest (750 words or less). Send to: "Reflections," Midwest Living, 1716 Locust St., Des Moines, IA 50309-3023. On-going. www.midwestliving.com.

Multi-Disciplinary

The Philadelphia GLBT Artists Festival. All types of Artists specializing in any type of Art or genre: Music, Dance, Theater, Film, Visual, etc welcomed. Deadline: February 28, 2009. www.traversetheater.org/festival.

The ArtFILE Project. For more information: SASE to: The ArtFILE Project, Regulus Communications, Inc., 3015 Woodsdale Boulevard, Lincoln, NE 68502.

Music

Second Annual Governor Arthur A. Link Fiddle Contest, Monday, February 16, 2009. There will be two categories: Juniors (grades 1-5) and Senior (grades 6-12). For more info & applications, write to: Governor Arthur A. Link Fiddle Contest, SPFGM, PO Box 284, Bismarck, ND 58502-0284.

The Fargo Moorhead Chamber Chorale is holding auditions. Contact Artistic Director, Dr. Mark Ring, at FMCCdirector@gmail.com, or call 284-2434 to set your appointment date and time. www.fmchamberchorale.org.

Open invitation: Java 101, Fergus Falls coffee shop is accepting applications to perform live music. Call 218-205-7583.

Female voices wanted to sing in barbershop style. Tuesdays, 7pm, Zion Methodist Church. Call Melodie at 772-1809.

Theater/Dance/Playwriting/Auditions

The Bijou Show House in Beach, ND, is seeking individuals and groups to perform on the newly installed 400 sq. ft. stage. An intimate show case for performance of poetry, comedy, dance, drama, music, and inventive presenters. Call Emanuel Culman 701-872-2444 or email homeheal@pacbell.net. www.beach-movie.com.

Playwright submissions requested by Heartland Plays, Inc., a publishing company of plays and drama products coming online in 2009 marketing to Community, Children's, Educational & Small Professional Theatres. E-mail playsnow@heartlandplays.com or mail manuscripts with \$20 reading fee for full-length play/ \$10 per one act to Rebecca Ryland, Literary Manager, Heartland Plays, Inc., 88 Howard Beer Rd., Clancy, Mt 59634.

Visual Arts/ Sculpture/Painting/Photography

Sugarloaf Craft Festivals - Fall Shows 2009. Mid-Atlantic. Deadline: January 9, 2009. www.sugarloafcrafter.com.

1st Annual "Revealed " Nude Juried Fine Art Show. Advocacy for Visual Arts (AVA), Deadline: January 15, 2009. www.avacenter.org.

Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the Original 2009. Michigan. Deadline: January 15, 2009. Email production@artfair.org; or www.artfair.org.

Art Department at ENMU-Roswell. Deadline January 16, 2009. https://www.roswell.enmu.edu/liberal_arts/art_exhibit.php.

5th Annual Custer Stampede Buffalo Art Auction in Custer City, SD. Deadline: January 31, 2009. www.custerstampede.com.

Artist Association of Northern Colorado's National Art Exhibition and Sale. Deadline: January 31, 2009. www.artistsassoc.com.

Artists Celebrating Christ (ACC). University of Mary, Bismarck, ND. Deadline: February 1, 2009. Visual Art; Liturgical Art; Musical Performances. Email info@accartshow.com, call 255-7312, or visit www.accArtShow.com.

Los Angeles Printmaking Society 20th National Exhibition. Deadline: February 1, 2009. For prospectus: SASE (legal) to: LAPS 20th National Exhibition c/o Cathy Weiss, 1947 Weepah Way, L.A., CA 90046; (213) 891- 4468; or visit www.LAPrintmakers.com.

Saint Louis Art Fair 2009. Missouri. Deadline: February 2, 2009. www.saintlouisartfair.com.

Summerfair 2009. Cincinnati, Ohio. Deadline: February 6, 2009. www.summerfair.org.

Fiber Celebration 2009. Loveland Museum/Gallery, Loveland, CO. Deadline is February 15, 2009. More info or entry, visit www.fortnet.org/NCWG/FiberCelebration.htm.

Park Silly Sunday Market 2009 - 15 Sundays. Park City, Utah. Deadline: February 15, 2009. <http://parksillysundaymarket.com>.

Three Rivers Arts Festival 2009. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Deadline: February 16, 2009. www.artsfestival.net.

43rd Annual Edina Art Fair. Art Fair Program www.edinaartfair.com/docs/EAF08ProgramR.pdf. www.edinaartfair.com. Deadline is February 19, 2009.

Plains Art Museum Present Red River Watercolor Society's 2009 16th Annual National Juried Watermedia Exhibition. Entry Deadline: February 20, 2009. For more info prospectus, visit: www.redriverws.org.

Long's Park Art and Craft Festival - 2009. Pennsylvania. Deadline: February 28, 2009. www.longspark.org.

Art in the High Desert 2009. Bend, Oregon. Deadline: February 28, 2009. For more info, www.artinthehighdesert.com.

Mount Clemens Art Fair 2009. Mount Clemens, Michigan. Deadline: March 1, 2009. www.theartcenter.org.

37th Crested Butte Arts Festival. Colorado. Applications on www.zapplication.org. Deadline is March 2, 2009. For more info, www.crestedbutteartsfestival.com.

Grand Cities Art Fest. Artist applications <http://data.memberclicks.com/site/nvac/ArtistApplicationFINAL.pdf>; or visit <http://data.memberclicks.com/site/nvac/FoodVendorApplication.pdf> for food vendors. June 13 & 14, 2009. Deadline March 6, 2009. Call 701-777-6120 or visit www.novac.org.

Wyoming Art Show 2009, (Cincinnati area), Ohio. Deadline: March 7, 2009. For more info, www.wyomingartshow.org.

Wichita Annual Art, Book and Craft Fair 2009. Kansas. Deadline: March 9, 2009. <http://wichitaartmuseum.org/artBookFair.html>, or artandbookfair@wichitaartmuseum.org.

Bartlett Festival of the Arts 2009, Illinois. Deadline: March 15, 2009. www.artsinbartlett.org.

Jersey Shore Fine Arts Festival 2009. Long Beach Island, New Jersey. Deadline: March 15, 2009. www.jerseyshoreartfest.com.

Art Spectacular 2009. Springfield, IL. Deadline is March 31, 2009. 217-787-3532. www.carillon-rees.org/html/art_spectacular.html.

Artscape 2009 - Artists' Market & Fashion at Artscape, Maryland. Deadline: March 31, 2009. For more info, visit: www.artscape.org.

Sacramento Arts Festival - 12th Annual, California. Deadline: March 31, 2009. www.americanartfestivals.com.

East Hampton Art Festival 4th of July 2009, New York. Deadline: April 15, 2009. www.easthamptonartfestival.com.

The Tucson Airport Authority is seeking temporary art exhibits for the Tucson International Airport. Open deadline. Call 520-573-8187 or visit www.tucsonairport.org/html/tia_terminal_exhibits.html.

Charlotte Area Transit System Art-in Transit Program. Deadline is open. Visit www.ridetransit.org or call 704-432-3017.

Upfront Gallery continues to book exhibitions and is building a visual database of local & regional artists. 541-2640, upfront512@yahoo.com. Ongoing.

Rockland Center for the Arts, (West Nyack NY). RoCA accepts artist submissions on an ongoing basis for the Sculpture Park & Gallery One. Email LynnStein@aol.com; or www.rocklandartcenter.org/submissions.html.

Open invitation: Java 101, Fergus Falls coffee shop accepting applications to display art. Call 218-205-7583.

Open invitation: Prairie Wetlands Learning Center of Fergus Falls, is seeking visual artists to display their artwork. 218-736-0938, or email prairiewet@fws.gov.

ArtView. Plains Art Museum in Fargo. Ongoing. For more info: www.plainsart.org.

For Conferences, Institutes, Festivals, Classes, Workshops, Seminars, Grants, Residencies, Internships, Fellowships, Scholarships and more, visit www.nd.gov/arts.

MN State Arts Board's Artist Registry Open for Enrollment

The registry is a collection of resumes and work samples of visual artists in all disciplines who would like to be considered for public art commissions and purchases. It is the most common way that the Percent for Art program finds artists for public art commissions and purchases in state buildings. There is no fee to join; no applications or slides to mail in; non-juried; and all professional visual artists 18+ who wish to work in the public realm are welcome to join.

There are no longer any deadlines. Join any day of the year. You can enter your basic profile information now and come back later to add work samples. All your work will be saved for you! You can log in at any time to update your profile, make corrections, or change your work samples (up to 10 images allowed). Your profile will remain active so long as you log in at least once every four years. You'll never have to reapply. Because the registry is online, we are now able to actively promote it for use by other commissioning agencies too. That means more of the right people can see your work. Join at www.percentforart.us. Minnesota State Arts Board, 651-215-1617 or visit www.arts.state.mn.us.



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Faces of Identity, Hands of Skill: Folk Arts in North Dakota, By Troyd A. Geist. \$15.95

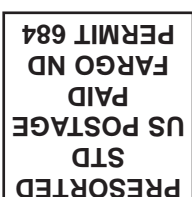
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