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2007-2008**

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**Report of the  
Nominating Committee**

**2008-2009**

**Nominating Committee**

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**Class of '09**

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**Class of '11**

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**Morton Fund Trustees**

Bill Carpenter

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Dr. Allison Sauls

**Mayor's Awards Nominees**

**Mayor's Awards for the Arts  
Nominees for 2008**

**Individual Artist**

Steve Burns

Brent Collins

Evelyn Jordan-Isaacs

Carol Myers

Dorothy Wenz

Connie Willis

**Arts Volunteer**

Janet Alexander

Brad Auge

Andrew Bramlage

Steve Burns

Evelyn Jordan-Isaacs

**Business or Corporation**

KQ-2 (KQTV)

**Arts Educator**

Kevin Griffin

Karen Jensen

**Arts Project**

Robidoux Landing Playhouse

The Saint Joseph Symphony Instrument

"Petting Zoo"

**Youth Artist**

Sophie Hamm

Elizabeth "Liz" Robinson

Renee Schaaaf

**Extraordinary Lifetime  
Achievement Award**

Carol Myers

Dorothy Wenz

**Jurors**

Michael Gaines (convener)

Hannibal Arts Council,

Hannibal, MO

Nancy McDowell

Liberty Center

Sedalia, MO

Betty Schaper

Mineral Area Council of the Arts

Park Hills, MO

**Annual Report 2007/08**

One last time...

**From the Desk of Kathy Hill-Bahner**



*"We are so  
blessed in this nation  
to have the freedom  
to explore art, create  
art and to enjoy art."*

Kathryn Hill-Bahner,  
President

It has been a great privilege to serve as your Allied Arts Council President. Your work as a Board member, staff person or volunteer has made 2008 a very successful year. Your forward thinking has positioned the Allied Arts Council to move into the future with confidence. I am so proud of each of you and thankful for all the time and effort you have contributed.

New by-laws have been adopted which meet the needs of today's organization and a new long-range plan has been developed. One of the significant changes to the by-laws involved moving the Presidents' Roundtable from an ad hoc committee to a standing committee. The change is a result of the desire to strengthen the communication among member agencies and the Council and to more effectively work on resolving member agencies' needs.

Developing the long range plan has been one of the important and extensive undertakings of this year's Board. This project has involved extra meetings and many extra hours of work, but has resulted, I believe, in a dynamic plan that will guide our organization wisely over the next three years. It is a living document,

one which will require ongoing Board discussion and evaluation in order to accomplish our goals. To paraphrase Peter Drucker, a well-known management consultant, "...To be successful, all planning eventually results in work.

All of the Allied Arts Council committees have been quite active. The Visual Arts Committee fostered the development of an artist co-op, Gallery 7. The Galley has enjoyed great success and is a dream come true for the Council. We have been recognized as an outstanding arts community in the State of Missouri. In February, the Missouri Arts Council awarded us the Creative Community Award which was presented to St. Joseph by Governor Blunt, another accomplishment for all of you in which to take pride. The Council had its first fundraiser in many years, a successful garden party "Grape Expectations" at BK Vineyard.

The Arts Fund's Allocations Committee set an extremely aggressive goal in a very tough economic year. Even so, the Arts Fund, while short of goal, raised an amount almost equal to last year's total. Because the campaign shortfall was larger than usual, the Board decided to use a portion of the Arts Fund Re-

serve this year to ensure that the community continues to receive first class programs by our funded agencies.

Great Board members and great officers have been recruited by the Nominating Committee. Combined with the current board members and the strong financial position left by our Finance Committee's guidance, it is a certainty that the Council will enjoy many successes in the future.

We are so blessed in this nation to have the freedom to explore art, create art and to enjoy art. To quote President John Adams, "I must study politics and war that my sons may have the liberty to study mathematics and philosophy, geography, naval architecture, navigation, commerce and agriculture in order to give their children a right to study painting, poetry, music, architecture, statuary, tapestry and porcelain." We must continue to study and to assure that our children will have this right in the future.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Most Sincerely,  
Kathryn Hill-Bahner

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Artscape students perform during Art Talks at Artscape



Students creating New Mexican Tin Work



Aryiel Everett, Poetry Out Loud State Champion



Area Students participated in Spring Art For the Health of It Exhibit



President Kathy Hill-Bahner congratulates Best of Show winner Jerome Hernandez

## Arts Education Focus

Under the leadership of the Arts Education Committee and with the assistance of Operations Manager Cathy Ketter, the Allied Arts Council provides a variety of educational programs, including *Artists in the Schools*, *Artscape*, *artist residencies*, and the regional *Poetry Out Loud* competition. The all-volunteer committee includes **Sharmyn Thompson**, chair, **Rebecca Giles**, **Karen Jensen**, **Rhonda Lesley**, **Barbara Maxwell**, **Dorthea Polsky**, **Rick Rader**, **Linda Riddle**, **Mary Helen Stuber**, **Kathy Wessler**, and **Jennifer Zeller**.

Each year the Council publishes an Arts In Education booklet listing all of the Artists in the School offerings as well as performance and tour opportunities offered by the Council's

member agencies. Over 1,200 booklets are distributed to teachers in public and private St. Joseph Schools, pre-schools and schools in the surrounding communities.

The *Artists in the Schools* enrichment program provided 70 sessions and reached 5,000 children, teachers and parents. Now in its 25<sup>th</sup> year, this enrichment program includes some of the region's best artists, who visited schools and worked in classrooms to provide support across the entire curriculum.

*Artscape* was held in August on the campus of MWSU, the program's co-sponsor. Now in its 21<sup>st</sup> year, this multi-discipline day camp offered young people a selection of 13 art classes.

In April, Kennedy Center Partners in Education

(Allied Arts Council, Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, and St. Joseph School District) brought Kennedy Center artist Stacey Coates to St. Joseph for an artist residency and teacher workshops.

*Poetry Out Loud* is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts and Poetry Foundation, and in February AAC hosted the second northwest Missouri regional competition. Our regional winner Aryiel Everett won the state competition in March and traveled to Washington DC in April for the national competition.

Submitted by Cathy Ketter, Operations Manager

## Visual Arts Success Stories

The Visual Arts Committee has worked hard this year and accomplished much. Highlights of the year include:

- ❖ The Fall and Spring Art for the Health of It Exhibits at Heartland Hospital

- ❖ The Fall 2007 Heartland Hospital Employee Exhibit

- ❖ Ongoing Exhibits at Heartland Hospital, including:

- Idy Youngblood Riverwalk Artists Association

- Midwest Artists Association

A Trails West!® featured artist exhibit will finish out the year in December 2008.

- ❖ The Visual Arts Committee played an instrumental role in the founding of "Gallery 7," a recently opened visual arts co-op gallery featuring artwork for sale from Northwest Missouri regional artists. The committee completed much of the initial research, brainstorming, and even held community meetings to discern the level of support an artists' co-op would receive by artists and the general community. Gallery 7 opened downtown on June 18; currently with a membership of 19, the gallery offers high quality artwork, workshops and featured art exhibits year round at 118 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

Members of the Visual Arts Committee include: Jim Fly, Brenda Reilly, Wanda Taylor,

Idy Youngblood, Pat Benedict, Rick Rader, Teri Rader, and chair, Rhonda Lesley. The committee welcomes 2008-2009 incoming chair, Wanda Taylor.

Outgoing chair Rhonda Lesley wishes to congratulate and thank the committee for their dedication and productivity, and she wishes to thank Tammy Santos, Teresa Fankhauser and Kathy Hill-Bahner for their support and guidance in accomplishing the goals of the committee.

Submitted by Rhonda Lesley, Visual Arts Chair



## Trails West!® 2007

Trails West!® 2007 was a huge success with over 45,000 visits during the three day festival. A combination of community support, great weather and a little luck resulted in a successful financial outcome for Trails West!® The 15<sup>th</sup> annual arts festival had a net revenue of \$23,233.

### TW! by the Numbers

- TW! had an economic impact of \$1.5 million
- 24% of the visitors were from outside of Buchanan County.
- 17,463 buttons were sold
- Over 2,000 children created art
- 200 local artists participated in the festival

The Fine Arts area hosted 25 artists from around the country

- Non-profit organizations earned over \$23,000 in commissions

- Earned Income netted approximately 50% of total revenue
- 150 local musicians, actors and stage crew performed over the three days.

Trails West!® wouldn't be possible without the hard work and dedication of 30 plus people who make up the steering committee and the leadership of Trails West!® chairs Tim & Leanne Davis.

### Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph, Mo., Inc.

#### 2008 Annual Meeting

Thursday, July 24, 2008  
Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art

#### Terrace Dining Room

#### Reception and Cash Bar

6:00 p.m.

#### Dinner

6:45 p.m.

#### Mary Boder Theatre

#### Annual Meeting/Mayor's Awards

7:30 p.m.

Welcome/Year in Review

Kathy Hill-Bahner

Financial Report

Ron Olinger

Recognition of Retiring Members

Kathy Hill-Bahner

Report of the Nominating Committee

Mary Cornett

Election: New Board Members, Nominating Committee, Morton Trustees

#### Annual Meeting Adjournment

Convene July Board Meeting

Kathy Hill-Bahner

By-Laws Committee

Ali Wray

Long Range Strategic Plan

Kathy Hill-Bahner

Election of Officers

Mary Cornett

Other Business- Bank Signatories

Adjournment of Board of Directors Meeting

Mayor's Awards for the Arts

Mike Hirter, Deputy Mayor



...allowing the arts to flourish

The annual Arts Fund drive, a monumental undertaking in any given year proved especially difficult as the economy took a downward turn. None-the-less Brad and Jane Graves along with outstanding community volunteers raised close to \$195,000. Decreased contributions caused a shortfall this year but instead of cutting allocations the Council voted to use cash reserves to make up the

difference. Although the Arts Fund campaign takes place in the spring, the staff and volunteers work all year updating the data base, soliciting special funds and developing the next year's campaign. This year a special task force is evaluating the Arts Fund policies and the allocations process used to determine funding levels for each agency.

### 2007/2009 Arts Fund Awards

|     |          |              |                  |
|-----|----------|--------------|------------------|
| AAC | \$47,000 | RRT          | \$24,750         |
| AGO | \$2,500  | SJCC         | \$16,000         |
| CAP | \$7,000  | SJS          | \$40,500         |
| MAA | \$2,500  | Campaign Ex  | \$16,000         |
| PAA | \$51,000 | <b>Total</b> | <b>\$207,205</b> |

### 2007/08 Income Statement

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Revenues</b>          |                |
| Grants                   | 74,073         |
| Donations/<br>Fundraiser | 11,339         |
| Trust/Interest           | 9,180          |
| Other                    | 159            |
| <b>Total Revenues</b>    | <b>94,751</b>  |
| <b>Programs Revenues</b> |                |
| Artscape                 | 3,584          |
| Visual Arts              | -50            |
| Arts Education           | -4,177         |
| Trails West!®            | 122,848        |
| <b>Total Programs</b>    | <b>122,305</b> |
| <b>Total Revenues</b>    | <b>217,056</b> |
| <b>Expenses</b>          |                |
| Salaries/Benefits        | 117,580        |
| Marketing                | 11,350         |
| General Operations       | 47,380         |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>    | <b>176,310</b> |
| <b>Income / Expenses</b> | <b>40,746</b>  |

### 2007/08 Balance Sheet

|                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>         |                |
| Cash                          | 124,461        |
| Accounts Receivable           | 1,712          |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>   | <b>126,173</b> |
| Property & Equipment          | 5,320          |
| Other Assets                  | 970            |
| <b>Total Assets</b>           | <b>132,463</b> |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>    | 12,597         |
| <b>Capital</b>                |                |
| Fund Balance                  | 68,620         |
| Fund Balance Board Restricted | 10,500         |
| Net Income                    | 40,746         |
| <b>Total Capital</b>          | <b>119,866</b> |
| <b>Total Liab &amp; Cap</b>   | <b>132,463</b> |