

# METRO ARTS

Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission

February 2007

## From the Executive Director:

Now is a busy time for the Arts Commission. We have submitted our 2008 budget and will soon present it to Mayor Purcell. Grant deadlines are looming, and exciting opportunities are coming our way! Mark your calendar now for an important lunch meeting sponsored by the Nashville Chamber of Commerce on March 6. The lunch meeting will take the place of our normal Cultural Executives Network and will be held at the Schermerhorn Symphony Center. The speaker will be Bob Lynch, president and CEO of Americans for the Arts, who will talk about arts as a business and how very significant the economic impact of the arts is to a community, especially Nashville. More information will come soon.

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## Important Dates:

### February 1 *Metro Arts Commission's Annual Grant Workshop (FY08)*

3:30 - 4:30 PM, Metro Office Building, 2nd Floor, Davidson Room

The workshop will include a brief overview of all MNAC grant opportunities, deadlines, and changes for FY08. If you are unable to attend the scheduled workshop, please arrange to meet with Grants Program Manager Jonathan Saad ([email](#)) to discuss your proposal or project.

### February 5 *Cultural Executives Network*

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM, Nashville Children's Theatre

Open to all cultural organizations, this forum provides an opportunity for networking, discussing topics of interest facing all organizations. Special guest Rich Boyd will give an update from the Tennessee Arts Commission, where he serves as executive director. Box lunch available for \$10 (Cash only). RSVP to [arts@nashville.gov](mailto:arts@nashville.gov).

### February 15 *Arts Alert Deadline*

Those wishing to submit material for the next Arts Alert newsletter should email [arts@nashville.gov](mailto:arts@nashville.gov) with "AA Submission" in the subject line.

### March 1 *Deadline for Grant Draft Review (FY08)*

4:30 PM

Organizations may submit a draft grant application for review by the MNAC staff on or prior to Thursday March 1, 2007. The MNAC strongly encourages new applicant organizations to submit a draft for review. The staff will review the submitted information and make recommendations on how to improve your application. Comments will be returned to the applicant organization no later than Friday, March 9, 2007.

### March 6 *Art is Good Business Networking Luncheon*

11:30 AM - 1:15 PM, Schermerhorn Symphony Center  
Registration Deadline: February 27. Please see below for more information!



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**"Tuscan Vineyard" by Featured Artist Gary English**

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

**New to the Registry:**  
Gary English  
David Glenn Turner

**Updated on the Registry:**  
Dale Crawford  
Kathryn Dettwiller  
Lisa Haddad  
Mildred Jarrett  
Sherrie Levine

## Arts Directory

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

## ArtLinks

Click [here](#) to visit

## March 22 Grant Deadline (FY08)

4:00 PM

Applicant organizations must submit and validate grant applications online and deliver or mail the original with the appropriate number of copies by 4:00 PM to the MNAC office, P.O. Box 196300, 800 Second Ave So., 4th Floor, Nashville, TN 37219-6300. No exceptions!

Metro Arts' ArtLinks page for a wide variety of online arts resources. Also see below for useful websites:

This month's feature:

[Business Committee for the Arts, Inc.](#)

This national organization works with businesses to develop and advance alliances with the arts that meet business objectives.

[Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission](#)

[Tennessee Arts Commission](#)

[National Endowment for the Arts](#)

[Americans for the Arts](#)

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## Art is Good Business Networking Luncheon

The Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the Metro Nashville Arts Commission, Nashville Business Committee for the Arts and the Nashville Convention & Visitors Bureau, will present "Art is Good Business," a networking luncheon featuring a keynote address from Robert L. Lynch, president and CEO of Americans for the Arts. Lynch will discuss how the local arts industry is a key driver of economic development and community involvement. Findings from an ongoing study of the arts and their overall impact to the regional economy will be presented.

### Luncheon is Tuesday, March 6

Schermerhorn Symphony Center

Laura Turner Concert Hall

11:30 AM Registration and Networking

12:00 Noon - 1:15 PM Lunch and Program

Registration Deadline: February 27. Register online at [nashvillechamber.com](http://nashvillechamber.com) (click Event Calendar.)

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## Visit Nashville's Arts & Cultural Events Calendar On Line!

[www.nashvilleartscalender.com](http://www.nashvilleartscalender.com) is now live on the world wide web! See what's going on in Nashville, or gain added visibility by submitting your organization's events. Click [here](#) to add your event to the calendar- free of charge.

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## Events, Conferences & Workshops:

### March 29-31 *Sculpture Conference 2007: Connecting the Worlds of Sculpture*

Chattanooga, TN

Presented by the Mid-South Sculpture Alliance, this three-day conference will bring together sculptors and other artists, art gallery owners, art educators and students, art museum staff, architects, interior designers and sculpture lovers for three days of learning, inspiration and networking. The conference will include keynote addresses, panel discussions, workshops, demonstrations, gallery and studio tours and networking opportunities. For more information, contact Judy Britain, Conference Co-Chair at (423)313-2116 or [britainltd@earthlink.net](mailto:britainltd@earthlink.net), or visit [www.midsouthsculpture.org](http://www.midsouthsculpture.org).

### June 8-9 *Tennessee Writers' Conference*

Franklin, TN

Writers of all genres and skill levels are invited to attend the Tennessee Writers Alliance Writers' Conference at Battle Ground Academy in Franklin, TN. The conference will open with a session on "What Editors Want," presented by Chuck Sambuchino, editor of the 2008 *Guide to Literary Agents*. Sambuchino will also moderate a literary agent panel discussion. These same agents will be available for one-on-one sessions all day June 9. Contact Cindy Phiffer at (615)893-4117 or visit [www.tn-writers.org](http://www.tn-writers.org).

### June 9-16 *Painting the Tuscan Sun*

Cortana, Italy

Toscana Americana Workshops presents Painting the



For accomodation requests, please contact: Teri McElhaney, ADA Compliance Coordinator  
800 2nd Avenue South  
4th Floor  
PO Box 196300  
Nashville, TN 37219-6300  
(615) 862-6737  
TTY Relay Service (800) 848-0298

Tuscan Sun. Follow master painter and workshop instructor Lori Putnam off the beaten path to the hill town of Cortana, and the surrounding Tuscan landscape. Add strength to your composition, excitement to your brushwork, and learn to see and mix fresh color in the breathtaking light of the Tuscan sun. Whether a beginner or a seasoned professional, Lori will help you move your work to a new level. Workshop will include demonstrations, group work, individual instruction and critiques. For more information, call (508) 254-8265, email [infotuscany@aol.com](mailto:infotuscany@aol.com) or click [here](#).

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### **New Health Coverage for Artists!**

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

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### **Call for Session Proposals:**

#### **2007 National Arts Marketing Project Conference** *Deadline: February 20*

Miami, FL

Submit a proposal to serve as a session leader or contribute to session content as a presenter at the 2007 National Arts Marketing Project Conference. As a presenter, you will gain recognition and distinction within our profession, earn visibility for your organization and your marketing team, be highlighted on the Americans for the Arts website and included in the convention wrap-up section of [artsmarketing.org](http://artsmarketing.org) and get a discounted conference rate. Click [here](#) for a complete list of ideas and benefits of being a speaker. For more information, email [artsmarketingconference@artsusa.org](mailto:artsmarketingconference@artsusa.org).

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### **Calls to Artists:**

#### **Juneteenth Festival and Juried Art Show (JFest)** *Deadline: February 15*

Gainesville, FL

JFest is a multidimensional showcase of fine, folk, and performing arts dedicated to the preservation of the rich heritage of people of African ancestry. The event will be held on Saturday and Sunday, June 16-17 from 10AM - 5PM on the Lincoln Park grounds in Gainesville, FL. JFest is seeking 150 African heritage artists to display their unique work for public sale as part of a competition for \$17,500 in cash awards. For more information, click [here](#) or contact Kelly Crandall at [cyllek@ufl.edu](mailto:cyllek@ufl.edu) or (352)273-1174.

#### **The 42nd Annual Central South Art Exhibition hosted by the Tennessee Art League** *Deadline: February 28*

Nashville, TN

This competition is open to artists, both professional and amateur who meet the following criteria: member of the Tennessee Art League and/or resident of Tennessee and its bordering states- Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Virginia. Also included are Florida and South Carolina. Artist must be 18 years of age or older. Jurying of all work will be by slide only. The

exhibition will be open from May 1 - June 29, 2007.  
Contact the Tennessee Art League for more information at  
(615)736-5000 or [www.tennesseeartleague.org](http://www.tennesseeartleague.org).

**The 2nd Annual National Outdoor Sculpture  
Competition and Exhibition** *Deadline: March 2*  
North Charleston, SC

Up to fifteen sculptures will be selected for this eleven  
month exhibition at Riverfront Park by the Juror, Mary  
Catherine Johnson. Currently she is the coordinator for the  
Visual Arts Program and Gallery at Emory University. Prior  
to her appointment at Emory, she served as Associate  
Director and Acting Executive Director of the International  
Sculpture Center (ISC). Exhibition honoraria are awarded  
to all selected artists, and artists have additional monetary  
opportunities with five awards also selected by the Juror.  
The deadline for applications is March 2. The exhibition  
dates are May 12, 2007 - March 28, 2008. The application  
can also be downloaded at [www.northcharleston.org](http://www.northcharleston.org).

**Arts at the Airport's Flying Solo Exhibition  
Series** *Deadline: April 6*  
Nashville, TN

The Flying Solo Exhibition Series provides a highly visible  
venue for Tennessee artists, and acts as an advocate for  
the public value of art in the region. Open to artists  
residing in Tennessee or with a strong connection to  
Tennessee, working in a 2-dimensional media (including  
photography) or wall-mounted 3-dimensional media.  
Suspended installations and sculpture will be considered.  
Each quarter, three large scale exhibitions will be installed.  
For more information, contact Curator Andee Rudloff at  
(615)275-1614 or [andee\\_rudloff@nashintl.com](mailto:andee_rudloff@nashintl.com).

**Spotlight 2007, American Craft Council  
Southeast Region Annual Juried Exhibition at  
Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts** *Deadline:  
May 31*

Gatlinburg, TN  
Exhibition dates are August 17 - September 22, 2007. This  
call for entries is open to artists in all media who are at  
least 21 years old and reside in one of the eleven member  
states of the ACC/SE region: AL, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC,  
SC, TN, VA, WV. For a prospectus, visit  
[www.acc-southeast.com](http://www.acc-southeast.com), or send SASE to Wendy Outland,  
ACC-SE Spotlight 2007, PO Box 1382, Asheville, NC 28802.

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**Funding & Consulting Opportunities:**

**The Center for Non-Profit Management** recently  
received foundation funding to help arts organizations in  
middle Tennessee take advantage of our consulting at a  
dramatically reduced cost. Our new Nonprofit Excellence  
Fund can enable your organization to receive strategic  
planning, fundraising, teambuilding, coaching, board  
building and a variety of other consulting services. We will  
customize our approach to make a difference for you! To  
learn more about these new funds and consulting  
opportunities, please contact Director of Consulting Lisa  
Pote at (615) 259-3911 ext. 17 or via [email](mailto:).

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**Education/CMS Professional Art Skills Classes:**

**CMS Windows for Artists**

Saturday, March 24 and Sunday, March 25, 2007  
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

While many artists swear by their Macs, collectors and  
grant-giving organizations often rely solely on Microsoft  
Windows. Master the Windows skills you need to network  
with these audiences. In this 2-day workshop you will  
learn a standard format and size for images, develop an

archival system for .jpg images, develop an organized filing system for academic or art business needs and create the tools needed for a mock presentation. Cost is \$300.

For additional information or to sign up, click [here](#) or contact Carol Hagen at (615)354-9401.

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### **MNAC Commissioners:**

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