



Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission

August 2007

From the Executive Director:

Thank you to everyone who came out to the dedication and celebration of Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks, our city's first percent for public art sculpture. The celebration took place downtown on the Shelby Street Pedestrian Bridge over the Cumberland River. Citizens were able to glimpse the completed artwork and Mayor Bill Purcell spoke of the value of the sculpture to the city of Nashville. It was a special day for us as we now join cities such as Seattle, Chicago, Charlotte and Phoenix who have embraced public art as part of their city's urban landscape. If you haven't seen the sculpture already, please do! At 100 feet wide by 100 feet tall and 60 feet deep, it has an incredible impact to the east bank of the Cumberland River right across from the foot of Broadway.

-Norree

Important Dates:**August 15 Arts Alert Deadline**

Those wishing to submit material for the next Arts Alert e-newsletter should email arts@nashville.gov with "AA Submission" in the subject line.

September 10 Cultural Executives Network

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location TBA

Cultural Executives Network meetings will resume in September.

September 18 Executive Committee Meeting

11:30 AM, Metro Office Building, 4th Floor, Public Art Room

September 20 Metro Arts Commission Meeting

12:00 PM, Metro Office Building, 2nd Floor, Davidson Room

Arts Build Communities (ABC) Grant Program for FY08:

It's time to apply for ABC grants! ABC grants provide funds for a variety of quality arts projects. Awards range from \$500 to \$3,000. Grant funds must be matched dollar-for-dollar, and applications must contain a clear, single-project focus. See schedule below and for more information, click [here](#). Also, qualifying organizations should contact Jonathan Saad, grants program manager, at (615) 862-6744 or jonathan.saad@nashville.gov to discuss their program or project proposal.

August 1 Workshop

3:00 - 4:00 PM, Metro Office Building, 2nd Floor, Nashville Room

August 31 Deadline for Proposals

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

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



"Anatomy of Paradise" by Featured Artist Daniel Arite

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

New to the Registry:
Daniel Arite

Updated on the Registry:
Wendy Leonard

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](#).

This month's feature: [Hanging Around Inc.](#) At Hanging Around, you'll find over 30 years of experience and one of the largest frame selections in Nashville. Hanging

4:30 PM, Proposals must be received in the MNAC office

September 28 Panel Review

Grant Opportunities:

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA): Grants for Arts Projects *Deadline: August 13*

The NEA's FY08 grants for arts projects are available for arts organizations requesting funding for a specific project in a variety of disciplines. Categories range from arts education to museums, and from local arts agencies to state and regional agencies. For more information or to apply, visit the [NEA website](#).

Community Enhancement Grants *Deadline: August 15*

The State of Tennessee has \$20 million in grant money currently available through the newly-established Community Enhancement Grant Program. Eligible activities include Educational Initiatives, Cultural Activities and Community Development Activities. The grants are available to government agencies and nonprofit organizations. For more information, click [here](#) or contact Judy Bond-McKissack at (615) 741-2819 or via [email](#).

Metro Arts Gallery Local Art Exhibition Schedule:

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

July - November 2007: Jairo Prado and Melissa Kennedy

November 2007 - March 2008: Greg Hester and Joe Sorci

Events, Conferences & Workshops:

September 26-29 *Performing Arts Exchange 2007* Louisville, KY

This event will feature networking opportunities, information on accessibility issues and skill-building activities. PAE Louisville will engage leaders in the presenting and touring field to share best practices, present innovations and facilitate provocative dialogue through the National Arts Leadership Institute workshops. For more information, visit www.southarts.org.

October 12-13 *Technology in the Arts Conference* Pittsburgh, PA

The goal of this conference is to be a resource for the arts community, sparking dialogue around the role of technology in our planning and programming, discussing best practices as well as lessons learned, and providing hands-on, practical skills where possible. For more information, visit www.technologyinthearts.org.

November 2-5 *2007 National Arts Marketing Conference - Flourishing in the New Frontier: New Media, New Audiences, New Opportunities* Miami, FL

This conference presented by Americans for the Arts focuses on technology and new audiences, along with the latest research in the field. Learn about new media from RSS to podcasts, blogging, texting, optimizing email, e-commerce, web sites and search engines. All this to

Around is open to artists, galleries, museums, designers and collectors and is also a great source for custom mirrors.

ArtLinks

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

This month's feature:

[The Art Stand's World Artist Directory](#)

The Artist Directory is the net's source for locating accomplished artists worldwide. Artist inclusion is based solely on quality of technique and presentation.

[Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission](#)

[Tennessee Arts Commission](#)

[National Endowment for the Arts](#)

[Americans for the Arts](#)



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reach every age, ethnicity and race in the marketplace. The conference will also cover direct marketing, branding and relevant messaging. Click [here](#) for more information.

Calls to Artists:

Art, Music and Culture Festivals at Centennial Park

Nashville, TN

Metro Parks is seeking craftspeople and visual artists interested in selling original craft and art works at various art, music and culture festivals to be held in Centennial Park. "Live Along the Lake" will be held on Labor Day, and "Celebration of Cultures" October 6-7. For more information, contact Brenda McSurley at (615) 862-8442 or brenda.mcsurley@nashville.gov.

Nashville Jewish Film Festival's Kathryn H. Gutow Student Film Competition *Deadline:*

September 26

Nashville, TN

The Kathryn H. Gutow Student Film Competition has opened a call for submissions for the 2007 Nashville Jewish Film Festival. Finalists selected will be screened at the festival November 3-8 at the Belcourt Theatre. For more information or a list of requirements, visit www.templenashville.org/_njff/.

Columbus 2008 Biennial *Deadline: September 28*

Columbus, GA

This exhibition opportunity at the [Columbus Museum](#) is open to artists living in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The Columbus Museum encourages innovative and progressive work that utilizes a diversity of art forms and media. Work that predates the year 2004 will not be considered. By May 9, 2008, all works must be professionally presented and ready to install. For more information, contact Paula Katz at pkatz@columbusmuseum.org.

Art Buzz - The 2008 Collection *Deadline:*

September 30

This competition is open to visual artists 18 and older worldwide who work in any visual art media. Art Buzz is a fine quality, full color large format book that is scheduled for release in the fall of 2007. Art Buzz will be distributed internationally, giving artists worldwide exposure! For more information, visit www.artbuzz.org.

Rome Prize 2008 Competition *Deadline:*

November 1

The American Academy in Rome is one of the leading overseas centers for independent study and advanced research in the arts and the humanities, and offers up to 30 fellowships for periods ranging from six months to two years. Rome Prize winners reside at the Academy's 11-acre center in Rome and receive room and board, a study or studio and a stipend. For more information or to download guidelines and application forms, visit www.aarome.org or call (212) 751-7200.

Art Education/Classes:

Open Studio with Murat Kaboulov *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

June 5 - August 28

This class gives the student an opportunity to capture proportion and structure of the human figure with the model changing poses every few minutes. Murat will instruct using pencil, charcoal and pastel. Call (615) 298-4611.

Tuesdays, 5:30 - 8:30PM
No Registration, \$25/session

Figure Drawing with Jonathan Bowers *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

August 7 - 11

Five-day workshop discussing and practicing how to break down the rhythms, gesture and forms involved in portraying the figure. Registration required. Call (615) 298-4611.

Studio Rentals at the Tennessee Art League

The Tennessee Art League has three studios available. Kitchen privileges and parking provided. One year lease is required; one month rent as deposit. Located at 808 Broadway in downtown Nashville. Gallery hours are 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Tuesday - Saturday, and 12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM Sunday. For more information, call 615-736-5000 or email talgalleries@bellsouth.net.

New Health Coverage for Artists!

Go to 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!

Employment Opportunities:

Project Coordinator *The Urban Art Commission*

Memphis, TN

The UrbanArt Commission is seeking a full-time Project Coordinator to assist the Executive Director and the Director of Public Art with administrative functions and assisting with project coordination. Qualifications should include a bachelor's degree with a major in fine art, art history or architecture; a minimum of two years experience in general office work; preferred experience in a non-profit. For more information, call (901) 525-0880 or email info@urbanartcommission.org.

Senior Accountant *Barbershop Harmony Society*

Nashville, TN

The Barbershop Harmony Society has recently moved its headquarters to Nashville. The Senior Accountant reports to the Director of Finance, is involved in all aspects of financial analysis/review, general ledger, payroll, bank reconciliations, journal entries, financial reporting and budget preparation. For more information or to submit a resume, email jobs@barbershop.org.

Meetings Manager *Barbershop Harmony Society*

Nashville, TN

The Meetings Manager reports to the Director of Events, analyzes meeting needs, solicits bids/requests for proposal, participates in selecting suppliers, aides in negotiating contracts, performs event ticketing and manages supplier relationships. For more information or to submit a resume, email jobs@barbershop.org.


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