

METRO ARTS

Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission

October 2007

From the Executive Director:

Important Dates:

October 1 *Cultural Executives Network*

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Global Education Center, 4822 Charlotte Pike

Open to all cultural organizations, this forum provides an opportunity for networking and discussing topics of interest facing all organizations. This month's meeting will feature a special presentation from Councilman Ronnie Steine.

October 9 *Greenways for Nashville Dinner on the Bridge Benefit and Lighting of the Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks*

6:00 PM Mingle, 7:00 PM Dinner, 8:00 PM Reveal

Shelby Street Pedestrian Bridge

An evening to celebrate the value of greenways and public art to the Nashville community. Guests will enjoy lively jazz, Italian cuisine. Ghost Ballet for the East Bank Machineworks, Nashville's first work under the the Percent for Public Art Ordinance, will glow for the first time. Fundraiser dinner tickets are \$100 per person to benefit Greenways for Nashville. For more information, contact Renee Bates at (615) 862-8402 x439.

October 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.

November 5 *Cultural Executives Network*

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM, Nashville Public Radio WPLN, 630 Mainstream Drive

November 13 *Executive Committee Meeting*

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

November 15 *Metro Arts Commission Meeting*

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

November 15 *Metro Arts Grants Review Workshop*

1:00 - 5:00 PM, Metro Office Building, 2nd Floor, Conference Room

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



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"..." by Featured Artist

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

New to the Registry:
Cyndy Baran
Emily McGraw
Sue Nichols

Updated on the Registry:
Rusty Wolfe

Arts Directory

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

New to the Directory:
Tennessee Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts

Updated on the Directory:
Belcourt Theatre

This month's feature: Tennessee Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts TNVLA is a nonprofit organization that provides free legal assistance and education to low-income artists of all disciplines and

November 2007 - March 2008: Greg Hester and Joe Sorci

emerging nonprofit arts organizations located in the Greater Nashville area.

Events & Conferences:

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 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:

Interactions/Interruptions *Deadline: October 12* Memphis, TN

Interactions/Interruptions is a temporary public art program that celebrates the UrbanArt Commission's 10th anniversary. This is a student call to artists. Four students from the tri-state area (TN, MS, AR) will receive \$1,000 each. Artists should propose potential locations or types of locations for the proposed public art projects. The artwork will be exhibited during February or March 2008. For more information, visit www.urbanartcommission.org.

Historic Franklin License Plate Design Competition *Deadline: October 17* Franklin, TN

A vehicle license plate has been approved for Franklin and a formal competition will determine its design. Design submission is free. Artists of all genres are invited to apply. Designers are asked to visualize Franklin's quality of life in 6x12 inches. For more information, visit www.franklinplate.com.

12" x 12" A Small Works Show *Deadline: November 12* Murfreesboro, TN

The Art Department of Middle Tennessee State University invites entries for its second 12" x 12" small works, juried exhibition. There are no media restrictions. Works submitted may not exceed 12" in any direction including frame and base, in the case of three-dimensional works. Awards to be made will total no less than \$2,100. For more information, visit www.mtsu.edu/~art/12x12/.

Memphis Germantown Art League Juried National Exhibition *Deadline: December 14* Germantown, TN

The Memphis Germantown Art League's Juried National Exhibition will be held at the Germantown Performing Arts Centre from February 20 - March 15, 2008. Cost is \$35 for three entries. For more information, visit www.mgal.org.

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: [Creative Capital](#) Creative Capital Foundation is a national nonprofit organization that supports artists pursuing innovative approaches to form and content in the media, performing, and visual arts, and in emerging fields.

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New Metro Arts Website!

Check out the Metro Arts' updated [homepage](#). The new site has a new look and updated features designed to be more user-friendly.



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The Ugly Necklace Contest *Deadline: March 15, 2008*

Nashville, TN

A jewelry design competition with a twist- this is an opportunity to put together a well-designed and functional, yet ugly, necklace. To enter, take three snapshots or scans of necklace and write a short poem about it. Official rules and information can be found on line at

www.landofodds.com/store/uglynecklace.htm.

Local Workshops & Art Education:

Open Studio with Alan LeQuire *LeQuire Gallery & Studio*

September 6 - November 15

This class focuses on sculpting, but students are welcome to paint or draw. A model changes poses every other week. Alan will provide clay for sculptors and even fire pieces for students free of charge. Those wishing to paint or draw should bring their own supplies. Call (615) 298-4611.

Thursdays, 5:30 - 8:30 PM

No Registration, \$25/session

Mid-South Sculpture Alliance's Fall 2007

Workshops *Watkins College of Art and Design*

October 18 - 21

Stan Townsend will present "Molding and Casting with Modern Materials," during which participants will learn all of the steps to make a one-part and two-part mold, as well as a mother mold and other castings. Ron Young will present "Patinas and Metal Finishes," during which participants will learn how to achieve beautiful patinas on all types of metals. For more information and to register, visit www.midsouthsculpture.org and click "Workshops and Seminars."

An Introduction to Italy by Lori Putnam

November 4

Two hours of instruction in oil followed by an Italian-style dinner. For more information, contact Lori Putnam at (615) 512-0929 or lori@loriputnam.com.

Class at 2:00 PM, Dinner follows.

Registration required, This is a FREE event.

Still Life Workshop with Gayle Levee *Tennessee Art League*

November 7 - 10

This workshop includes three full days of painting and instruction, lecture, demo, dinner, entry to the Frist Center for the Visual Arts and an artist's reception at Richland Fine Art Gallery. For more information, contact Gayle Levee at (615) 833-2480. Click [here](#) to visit Gayle Levee's website.

\$330 for full workshop, \$50 for lecture and demo only

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!

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