June 2010 ASCA Communique

Banner Artwork

The banner art selection above is from our newly acquired artwork for the Contemporary Art Bank. In order from left to right they are:

**Her Memories, Ashley DuRoss, Petersburg, AK**

**Grove of Quaking Aspen, Patrick Endres, Fairbanks, AK**

**Sandpiper Migration, John Schwieder, Anchorage, AK**

**Trickster II, Celia Anderson, Kenai, AK**

These pieces and many more are on display in our new office, stop in and enjoy.

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A note from Char... 

Most of the boxes are unpacked and we're hanging art on the walls in our new space at 161 S. Klevin Street, so I think we're moved in. After being in downtown for over 20 years, it is lovely to be in a space with lots of light and room. Of course, I think what our visitors actually like most is the free parking. Please come and pay us a visit in Mt. View. It's wonderful to be part of this flourishing neighborhood. Directions are on our website.

We welcomed everyone to our new offices on June 4, during our annual meeting. Many people stopped by to see the new acquisitions for the Contemporary Art Bank and to visit the new space during the open house. Thanks to those of you who helped us celebrate joining the neighborhood. It's great to be here.

But the annual meeting wasn't all social events. During the meeting, the Council also:

Awarded over $300,000 in grants;

Voted to continue the Biennial grantee site visit program for
2011 (if you are a second year biennial operating support grantee, we'll be calling you);

Reviewed the 2006-2011 Strategic Plan and began planning for the next phase;

Adopted an advocacy plan for 2010-2011;

Adopted policy changes to the Artist in Schools program to encourage a greater connection between arts curriculum and the AIS program;

Accepted the resignation of Sven Haakanson from the Council.

Please go to our website, www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca to nominate a person or organization for the 2010 Governor's Awards for the Arts. This year the categories are: Arts Education, Individual Artist, Arts Organization and Native Arts. The Governor's Awards for the Arts and Humanities will be in Fairbanks this year, October 21 at the Fairbanks Princess Riverside Lodge.

I hope you're enjoying summer, enjoying the arts events in your respective communities and supporting Alaska artists in whatever fashion you can. While we appreciate support from public agencies and private foundations, we know that it's only by individuals going to plays, concerts and museums, and buying art from artists that we will continue to infuse our lives (and our communities) with arts and culture. It is up to you to ensure that happens.

Best, Charlotte

ASCA News

2010 GOVERNORS AWARDS FOR THE ARTS NOMINATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

The categories for 2010 are: Arts Education; Individual Artist, Arts Organization and Native Arts. Deadline for nomination is August 1, 2010. For more information go to our website at http://www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca/

September 1 Grant Deadlines
Career Opportunity, Workshop, Community Arts Development, Master Artist. Call ASCA staff before applying. To apply go to http://alaska.cqweb.org/
We have moved!
The Alaska Council to the Arts new address is: 161 S. Klevin Street, Suite 102, Anchorage, AK 99508. Our email and phone numbers will remain the same. Come and visit us in our new location.

The Art Bank is Open!
Stop in, call or email to make an appointment with our Art Bank Manager Janelle Matz. Loans of Art Bank art are available to State of Alaska Agencies.

Calls for Art on CaFE
Now the online application site for all ASCA Calls for Art: www.callforentry.org (CaFE) From our main page click on Artist Opportunities for more information.

ASCA FY11 June Grant Award Announcement
The Alaska State Council on the Arts awarded $405,960 in operating support grants, $48,575 for Artists in Schools grants and $60,965 in grants for special projects to Alaska artists and arts organizations at their recent annual meeting. For a complete list of the projects, or grants by community, contact ASCA at 907.269.6610 or 1.888.278.7424. Grants are also posted at: www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca.

ASCA Open House, June 4, 2010
George Cannelos and Jewel Jones
Arts in Education

The Arts in Education Program has had a very successful year. The artists, teachers, parents, administrators, and volunteers involved in the program all worked hard to deliver some great residencies and excursions to Alaskan students. The changes made in the program went very smoothly with everyone being supportive and asking good questions. The three school districts involved in the New Visions, finding new ways to deliver the arts to our students, got off to a good start. This first year has been one of visioning, thinking and planning for the future. In the next two years we should have a good idea of things that work, things that don't work and possible ways to restructure the way in which our students
receive their arts education. Kim Sweeney at White Mountain School in the Bering Straits School District has been really helpful in sharing her thoughts and ideas as we go forward.

The Teaching Artist Advisory Committee met via teleconference three times during the year. The committee consists of teaching artists Evon Zerbetz-Ketchikan, Ryan Conarro-Juneau, Leslie K. Ward- Anchorage, Margo Klass-Fairbanks, Teri Rofkar-Sitka and Mike Morgan-Kasilof. The advice and comments they have given has helped inform the direction that the Roster is taking. All are experienced teaching artists and in addition to the service on the committee they have all been active in various residencies throughout the state. The committee has also provided much needed feedback on the Teaching Artist Guide that will soon be on the web site.

There are several projects happening over the summer through the Rasmuson Foundation’s Cultural Collaboration grant program, however most of the activity happening is getting ready for the next round of grants. The deadlines are all listed on the web site. Please feel free to give me a call or email (best during the summer) if you have any questions about any of the Arts in Education programs.

Photo: Ricky Vann working with Hmong students at Begich Middle School during a Cultural Collaboration residency funded by the Rasmuson Foundation and administered by the Alaska State Council on the Arts.

Artist Opportunities
Art Northwest - Northwest on Tour Juried Publication
Deadline for applying is July 16, 2010.
Northwest on Tour is produced and widely distributed by Arts Northwest for the benefit of its expanding membership of artists, agents, presenters and performing arts professionals and volunteers.
To apply or for more information visit www.artsnw.org

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