

MEMORANDUM

To: Mississippi Alliance for Arts Education
From: Mary Margaret Miller, Mississippi Heritage Director
Kim Whitt, Arts Education Director
Diane Williams, Arts Industry Director/ADA Coordinator
Allison Winstead, Arts-Based Community Development Director

Date: January 18, 2012

Subject: *Application to the Mississippi Artist Roster or Teaching Artist Roster*

The Mississippi Arts Commission would like to invite you to apply to become a member of Mississippi Artist Roster Directory. We consider you and your talent valuable assets to the citizens of our state and want to encourage you to take the necessary time to visit our website, review the guidelines, and complete the application. The postmark deadline for submission of your application is **Thursday, March 1, 2012**.

The Mississippi Arts Commission Artist Roster Directory is a listing of artists whose work demonstrates quality and mastery of an artistic discipline. Artists or arts groups apply and go through a thorough review by a review panel of artists, presenters and educators. Once the artists are accepted to the Artist Roster, nonprofit organizations, schools and government groups can apply for grants to present these artists to their communities.

The guidelines for applying to the **Artist Roster** and the **Teaching Artist Roster** may be downloaded from our website: <http://www.arts.state.ms.us/grants/artist-roster.php> or <http://www.arts.state.ms.us/grants/teaching-artist-roster.php>.

If you have any questions or require any additional assistance applying for the Roster, please contact one of the following Commission staff members, depending upon your artistic discipline:

- for advice regarding **Visual Arts, Design Arts and Crafts**, contact Kim Whitt at 601-359-6037 or via E-mail at kwhitt@arts.state.ms.us;
- for advice regarding **Performing Arts**, contact Allison Winstead at 601-359-6546 or via E-mail at awinstead@arts.state.ms.us;
- for advice regarding **Mississippi Heritage Arts**, contact Mary Margaret Miller at 601-359-6034 or via E-mail at mmiller@arts.state.ms.us; and
- for advice regarding **Literary Arts and Media Arts**, contact Diane Williams at 601-359-6529 or via E-mail at dwilliams@arts.state.ms.us.

THANK YOU!

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