

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



22nd ANNUAL ARTS AWARDS

The Pierce County Arts Commission invites you to nominate outstanding individuals and organizations for recognition of their contributions to the arts in Pierce County. The Margaret K. Williams Arts Awards are presented annually at a reception held to honor the recipients. This year's reception will take place on November 5 at the Tacoma Art Museum.

Nominations are due by August 14, 2009

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INFORMATION & CRITERIA

The Margaret K. Williams Arts Awards are presented in three categories.

- ★*Jim Smith Award:* The nominee has made significant contributions to the health and development of the arts, and/or the preservation of cultural traditions.
- Excellence in the Arts:* The nominee is actively involved in the creation, production, and /or performance of works of significant quality in any artistic discipline.
- Arts Education:* The nominee has achieved excellence as a teacher, student or administrator in pre-kindergarten through grade 12.
- Career Award:* The nominee has demonstrated success in pursuing a professional career as a visual, literary, and/or performing artist.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. The nominee must be a Pierce County resident or have his/her/their main place of business in Pierce County.
2. The nominee may be an individual, group, or organization whose accomplishments deserve recognition in one of the three award categories.
3. The nominee may be an artist, performer, educator, student or supporter of any artistic discipline, including music, theatre, dance, visual arts and/or literary arts.
4. The nominee should not have been a recipient during the past 10 years. (See page 4.)
5. Nominees from higher education should be nominated in the "Excellence" or "Support" categories.

SELECTION PROCESS:

1. All nominations received will be reviewed by the members of the Pierce County Arts Commission.
2. Several criteria will be considered during the review process, including:
 - scope of the nominee's accomplishment or contribution
 - quality of the artwork or performance
 - continuity of artistic production and/or support
 - degree to which nominee's activities support or complement the goals of the Pierce County Arts Commission.

PROCEDURES:

1. Complete the nomination form on the next page.
2. Write a letter of nomination: Type or legibly print the accomplishments and contribution of the person or group you wish to nominate. Please be sure to address the points listed on the nomination form.
3. Gather and submit additional materials in support of your nomination such as the items listed on the nomination form.
4. Be sure to submit your nomination no later than August 15, 2008.

Pierce County Arts Commission's Goals

- Increase access to the arts for all Pierce County residents
- Develop and implement educational programs and activities in the arts as an integral part of basic education
- Develop the arts industry as a viable and significant tool for economic and community development
- Celebrate cultural diversity in Pierce County

★This award, previously known as Support of the Arts, has been renamed to honor the late Jim Smith, nationally known artist and long time Pierce County Arts Commissioner.

Margaret K. Williams, for whom these awards are named, was a member of the Pierce County Arts Commission. She was active in the arts for many years, including 19 years spent as producer of the annual student art show for Tacoma Links, Inc. Margaret also played a major role in shaping the Commission's ongoing commitment to the recognition and celebration of Pierce County's cultural diversity. Following her death in 1990, the Commission named these awards in her honor.

NOMINATION FORM

I would like to nominate the following person/group for: *(please check appropriate award)*

Jim Smith Award *Excellence In The Arts* *Arts Education* *Career*

I would like to nominate:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St _____ Zip _____

Business Phone () _____

Home Phone () _____

Contact Person (if nominee is an organization)

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Website: _____

Nominator's Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St _____ Zip _____

Business Phone: () _____

Home Phone: () _____

Contact Person (If nominator is an organization)

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Website: _____

Please include as many of the following items as possible and mail them with the completed nomination form.

- Letter of Nomination including, as appropriate:
 - Reasons why the nominee's body of work/contributions deserve this recognition.
 - Ways in which the nominee's efforts benefit the community.
 - How the actions of the nominee help preserve cultural traditions.
- An outline of the nominee's career or history of organization.
- If the nominee is an artist or an arts-producing organization, an example of their work in the form of photos, slides, video or audio recordings, or samples of published works would be helpful.
- Copies of articles written about the nominee.

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Mail to:

Pierce County Arts Commission
3602 Pacific Avenue, Suite 200
Tacoma, WA 98418

For further info, contact:

Pierce County Arts Commission
Pierce County Arts & Cultural Services
(253) 798-6902 Fax: (253) 798-6604

Margaret K. Williams Arts Awards Recipients

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| <p>1988: James Blanchard
Fumiko Kimura
Dr. Richard Moe</p> | <p>1997: Ben B. Cheney Foundation
Marie Isabel & Luis Esteban
Miriam Graves
Katherine Czyholdd Habendank
Phil H. Redeagle</p> |
| <p>1989: Perle Baskin
Children's Museum of Tacoma
Tacoma Actor's Guild
Victory Music</p> | <p>1998: Cedar Moon Woman-Connie McCloud
Melanie Kirk-Stauffer's Dance Theatre
Puget Sound Poetry Connection
Ros Darachan-Cambodian Classical Folk
Dance
Tacoma Concert Band</p> |
| <p>1990: Larry Anderson
Antique Sandwich Company
Ellida Kirk-Lathrop
Frank Underwood</p> | <p>1999: Pierce College Student Literary & Arts
Magazine (SLAM)
Harold Moss
Shirley Tomasi
Valley Arts United
Western Washington Fair Association</p> |
| <p>1991: Frederick Charles Canada
Congressman Norm Dicks
E. Marie Fortier
George S. McGillard
Frank Swalander
Virginia Taylor</p> | <p>2000: Normanna Male Chorus
Centell T. Jackson
Tacoma Weavers Guild</p> |
| <p>1992: Bob Baltzell
City of Bonney Lake
Michi Osaka
Pierce County Library Board & Friends
Puget Sound Bank
William J. Weyerhaeuser
Al Zantua</p> | <p>2001: Betty Mears
Second City Chamber Series
Don Senecal</p> |
| <p>1993: Willis DeVone
Myrna Orsini
Jim Smith
Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma
Snake Lake Nature Foundation
Tacoma Art Museum
Daisy Stallworth</p> | <p>2002: Bill Colby
Karen Pew
Clan Gordon Pipe Band</p> |
| <p>1994: Dale Chihuly
Robert Filimaua
Kathy Kaperick
The News Tribune</p> | <p>2003: Andrea Klouse
"Simply Symphonic"
Amanda Ferguson
Roosevelt Dancers</p> |
| <p>1995: Baker Foundation
John Olive
Pacific Gallery Artists
Pacific Lutheran University
Tacoma Little Theatre
Meredith Essex</p> | <p>2004: Two Waters Arts Alliance
Dale Thompson
Lakewood Playhouse
The Music Company</p> |
| <p>1996: Bethel School District
Barbara Gelman
Diane Lachel
Margaret McCormick
Agnes McLin
Pierce Transit
Susy Watts</p> | <p>2005: Tacoma Musical Playhouse
Puget Sound Sumi Artists
Debbie Munson</p> <p>2006: Joelle K. Hanton
Jim & Diana Craig
Barefoot Studios
UP for Art</p> <p>2007: Mike Wilkinson
Northwest Repertory Singers
Asia Pacific Cultural Center
Dr. Jerry Kracht</p> <p>2008: Carla Barrágan
Amelia Haller
Mardie Rees</p> |

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