



# Louisiana

OFFICE OF THE LT. GOVERNOR  
CULTURE, RECREATION & TOURISM

## 2008 GOVERNOR'S ARTS AWARDS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Each year the Louisiana State Arts Council, in collaboration with the Office of the Governor and the Office of the Lt. Governor and the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, sponsors the Governor's Arts Awards to recognize individuals and organizations making outstanding contributions through the arts in Louisiana. This award highlights the best in Louisiana and is an opportunity to showcase to the nation what makes Louisiana's cultural economy soar.

The Governor's Arts Awards are open to any person or organization working in the artistic disciplines of music, theater, dance, visual arts and crafts, design, media, literature, and folklife. Special Recognition Awards are open to any person or organization whose efforts contribute to any sector of the cultural economy (*any arts discipline, entertainment, literary and humanities, culinary, preservation, and archaeology*). Members of the Louisiana State Arts Council, staff members within the Office of Cultural Development, and the immediate families of these persons are not eligible to receive an award nor may they make nominations. The Louisiana State Arts Council does not guarantee that a recipient will be selected in each award category.

### AWARD DISCIPLINES AND CATEGORIES

Awards are made in the following categories. For more information on past winners, please visit the Governor's Arts Award link on the Louisiana Division of the Arts website at <http://www.crt.state.la.us/arts>.

### Governor's Arts Awards

#### ARTS ORGANIZATION

*An established nonprofit arts organization that has made an outstanding contribution to its art form, region, or the state.*

#### PROFESSIONAL ARTIST

*A professional artist in any artistic discipline who has made a significant contribution to his or her art form and to the arts industry in Louisiana.*

#### FOLK ARTIST

*A folk artist who has made a significant contribution to his or her art form and to folklife in Louisiana (traditional art forms learned informally - orally or passed down - within an artist's own traditional culture and not learned through books or classes).*

#### ARTS EDUCATION

*An arts organization, school or school district, community organization or individual that has made an outstanding contribution to arts education and to providing arts opportunities for youth locally or statewide.*

**PATRON**

*A Louisiana business or individual who has made a significant contribution to the ongoing cultural life of the state through donations of funds, time, goods, or services.*

**LEADERSHIP IN THE ARTS**

*A business or individual who has made significant contributions to the promotion of the arts, dissemination of information about Louisiana's arts and artists, or in the development of the arts in a community, region or statewide.*

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT**

*An individual(s) who has made significant contributions to the arts in Louisiana, in any capacity, over the course of a career.*

**Special Recognition Awards**

**CULTURAL ECONOMY DEVELOPMENT**

*A Louisiana-based organization(s) or individual(s) whose efforts demonstrate an integrated approach to developing the cultural economy. Preference is given to activities that engage and partner with arts, culture and across other sectors. This award is open in any segment of the state's arts and cultural sectors (any arts discipline, entertainment, literary and humanities, culinary, preservation, and archaeology).*

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION PARTNERSHIP**

*This award is to acknowledge the restoration projects or efforts that have successfully utilized or partnered with arts organizations or artists in fulfilling their mission.*

**CULTURAL TOURISM**

*The purpose of the cultural tourism award is to promote the innovative pursuit of cultural expression within the tourism industry. The cultural tourism award will recognize and reward progressive partnerships between art and tourism that resulted in an enriched cultural tourism experience over the past year.*

**EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Awards are based on the following criteria:

- Significance and magnitude of the nominee's contributions (artistic, philanthropic, etc.) and/or achievements
- Consistent or innovative involvement with the arts and commitment to the arts
- Benefit of the nominee's contributions to Louisiana's arts industry

**AWARDS TIMELINE**

Nominations must be received in our office by 5:00 pm on Monday, August 18, 2008.

Date and time for the Governor's Arts Awards ceremony are to be announced.



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**2008 GOVERNOR'S ARTS AWARDS  
SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Nominations with supporting material must be received by the Louisiana Division of the Arts by 5:00 pm on Monday, August 18, 2008.**

This is not a postmark deadline. Nominations will not be accepted after this date.

To submit a nomination, please submit the following items:

1. Nomination Form. Only one nomination per form.
2. Two-page narrative that addresses why this person or organization deserves a Governor's Arts Award or Special Recognition Award. The narrative must address the category in which the person or organization is being nominated and address the evaluation criteria. For an individual being nominated, also include general biographical information/community and professional affiliations and attach the nominee's resume.
3. Three letters of endorsement. Endorsement letters should be from persons familiar with the accomplishments for which the nomination is submitted. Relatives may not serve as references. No more and no less than 3 letters of endorsement may be submitted.
4. Sample of Work – *in the Arts Organization, Professional Artist, Folk Artist categories only*. Please follow sample of work submission instructions found on the website at <http://www.crt.state.la.us/arts/Guidelines/HighQualitySample.pdf>.
5. Optional: Support materials that document the nominee's contributions. Documentation may include video recordings, press clippings, catalogs, images (slides, digital or print), programs, annual reports, etc. If you would like supporting materials returned, you must provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope in the nomination packet.

Mail or hand-deliver nominations by Monday, August 18 to:

*Mailing Address:*  
Governor's Arts Awards  
Louisiana Division of the Arts  
P. O. Box 44247  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4247

*Physical Address:*  
Governor's Arts Awards  
Louisiana Division of the Arts  
1051 N. Third Street, Room 420  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

For more information, call (225) 342-8180 or visit <http://www.crt.state.la.us/arts>.



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**2008 GOVERNOR'S ARTS AWARDS  
NOMINATION FORM**

**CATEGORY NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINEE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

*If different than Nominee*

**NOMINATOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

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