

# 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ANCHORAGE MAYOR'S AWARDS FOR THE ARTS

Mayor Mark Begich and the Anchorage Arts Advisory Commission are soliciting nominations for the sixth annual Mayor's Awards for the Arts. The awards will be presented at a reception at the Anchorage Museum of History and Art, Thursday, March 30, 2006 at 5:30 pm. Please plan to attend.

All nominees should be current residents of the Municipality of Anchorage, with the exception of the Individual Artist Award. In that case, the nominee must have produced the majority of his or her work while a resident of Anchorage. The categories include artists and arts groups from the performing, visual and literary arts.

Below is a description of the six categories. On the following page is a nomination form. Please follow the directions for completing the nominations. **Nominations are due Friday, February 3, 2006.**

## 1. THE INDIVIDUAL ARTIST AWARD

Includes but is not limited to the following:

- Outstanding service to the arts by an individual
- Excellence in an artistic discipline
- Outstanding emerging artist
- Individual excellence in the arts
- Lifetime achievement in the arts
- Innovation in the arts

*This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated artistic excellence. Considerations are quality and/or originality of work, commitment to their art, the scope of the artist's influence, creative contributions to the municipality and other recognition the artist may have received.*

## 2. OUTSTANDING ARTS GROUP OR ORGANIZATION AWARD

Includes established arts organizations whose contributions to the arts enhance the community.

*This award recognizes groups or organizations that have demonstrated artistic excellence. Considerations are quality and/or originality of work, commitment to their art, the scope of the group or organization's influence, creative contributions to the municipality and other recognition the group or organization may have received.*

## 3. CHAMPION OF THE ARTS AWARD

Includes individuals and groups whose support of the arts, through financial contributions or service, has demonstrated leadership that makes a significant impact on the arts in Anchorage.

*Nominees are evaluated based on the number of years of commitment to the arts and their level of support. Support may be financial in nature or take the form of service to arts organizations.*

## 4. YOUTH ARTS AWARD

Includes individuals or organizations whose efforts advance arts among the youth of Anchorage

*Nominees will be evaluated based on their commitment to arts for young people and the impact that their efforts have achieved. This category includes arts educators.*

## 5. KAY LINTON, VOLUNTEER FOR THE ARTS AWARD

Includes individuals whose support of the arts, through volunteer service, has made a significant impact on the arts in Anchorage.

*Nominees are evaluated based on the number of years of commitment to the arts and their level of support.*

**6. LORENE HARRISON AWARD (SPECIAL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD)** recognizes individual artists who are widely regarded for achievements in their chosen field.

**2006 MAYOR'S AWARDS FOR THE ARTS ~**  
**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**  
**DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2006**

**Who is eligible?** The Mayor's Arts Awards recognizes those individuals or organizations whose contributions to the cultural development and quality of life in Anchorage have a significant impact on the lives of our citizens. The nominees for all awards are expected to reflect a total contribution to the arts, not simply one accomplishment.

**What is the process?** To nominate an individual or organization, fill out this form, and enclose a ONE PAGE nomination essay. The Arts Advisory Commission will review the nominations and select the awardees. Please only submit the information requested. If additional information is required, the Commission will request it. **PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE LETTERS OF SUPPORT!**

**1. I would like to nominate the following individual or organization for a Mayor's Arts Award.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**For organizations, please include the following:**

President or Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Director (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Please check one category for your nomination (Please see cover sheet for complete description)**

- INDIVIDUAL ARTIST AWARD** recognizes outstanding service to the arts, or excellence in an artistic discipline.
- ARTS GROUP OR ORGANIZATION AWARD** recognizes arts organizations whose contributions to the arts improve the quality of life in Anchorage.
- CHAMPION OF THE ARTS AWARD** recognizes an individual or group that, through support or service, has demonstrated leadership that enhances the arts in Anchorage.
- YOUTH ARTS AWARD** recognizes individuals or organizations whose efforts advance the arts among the youth in Anchorage. This includes arts educators.
- KAY LINTON VOLUNTEER IN THE ARTS AWARD** recognizes an individual whose volunteer efforts have significantly affected the arts in Anchorage.
- LORENE HARRISON AWARD (Special Lifetime Achievement Award)** recognizes individual artists who are widely regarded for achievements in their chosen field.

**3. Please attach a description of why you believe this individual or organization deserves recognition.**

Nominator name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Nominations must be received by Friday, February 3, 2006.**

**FAX this completed nomination form and attached description to: 561-5410**

**MAIL your nomination to:**

**Mayor's Awards for the Arts,  
c/o Alaska Arts and Culture Foundation  
P.O. Box 101883  
Anchorage, AK 99510-1883**

Additional nomination forms are available at [www.muni.org](http://www.muni.org), Cyrano's, The Alaska Center for the Performing Arts, The Anchorage Museum, Out North Theatre Company, Alaska Moving Image Preservation Association and at the Mayor's Office. For more information call: 272-5308