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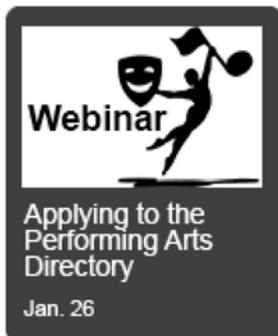


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**David Zurick**  
January Featured Artist



**Learn how to apply to the Performing Arts Directory. Registration limited!**



**Get tips on applying for an AI Smith Fellowship or Emerging Artist Award. Registration limited!**



Dear Stakeholders in the Arts,

The year is barely new, but there are deadlines approaching for several important opportunities for individual artists and arts organizations.

The **Folk and Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant** provides up to \$3,000 to a Kentucky master traditional artist to teach skills, practices and culture to a less experienced artist from the same community during the course of a year. Deadline for application for this grant is Feb. 15.

Applicants for the **AI Smith Fellowship** and **Emerging Artist Award** must have those applications in by Feb. 15. The AI Smith Fellowship awards \$7,500 to artists who have achieved a high level of excellence and creativity in their work. Emerging Artist Awards are \$1,000 and given to artists who are beginning their creative careers and have demonstrated superior talent and potential in their artistic discipline.

Performing artists who would like to be considered for inclusion in the **Performing Arts Directory** must apply by Feb. 15. The Performing Arts Directory is an adjudicated roster of Kentucky performing artists used by in-state and out-of-state presenters and others as a resource for identifying artists for performance bookings and projects.

There are also opportunities available to arts organizations and communities and those deadlines are also fast approaching.

**Arts Access Assistance** grants are available to communities to fund projects designed to bring arts to underserved populations in Kentucky. In this year's round of Arts Access Assistance grants, we are focusing on the 54-county area of the Appalachian Regional Commission. The application deadline is Feb. 15.

These are all excellent opportunities for individual artists to develop their craft and for communities and arts organizations to grow the arts in their cities and towns. These programs are here to serve you and, in using them, we hope that the work you do serves the arts in the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

*Lori Meadows*

Executive Director

## RECENT NEWS

### **Kentucky poet, 12 arts organizations awarded more than \$300,000 in NEA grant funding**

A Frankfort poet and 12 Kentucky arts organizations have been awarded more than \$300,000 in funding from the



**We need volunteers for Kentucky Crafted: The Market!**



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**National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Resources**

**ART WORKS BLOG**

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in that organization's first round of grant funding for fiscal year 2015.

**Poetry Out Loud celebrates 10 years in Kentucky**

Poetry Out Loud, a poetry recitation contest sponsored by the Kentucky Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation, celebrates its 10th year in Kentucky Schools in 2015.

**Deadline Feb. 15 for apprenticeship grant**

Folk and traditional art has a rich history of being handed down from generation to generation, and in recognition of this heritage, the Kentucky Arts Council (KAC) offers grants to folk and traditional master artists to help them pass knowledge to skilled apprentices.

**Music Scenes will give visual flare to aural medium**

Kentucky artists have a rare opportunity to submit works for possible inclusion in Music Scenes, a new visual arts exhibit to be featured during Kentucky Crafted: The Market.

**Kentucky Crafted: The Market set for March 7-8; Music Scenes exhibit added to Kentucky Stage**

The largest collection of Kentucky artists under one roof will gather for Kentucky Crafted: The Market, March 7-8 at the Lexington Convention Center.

**20 artists featured in 'Kentucky Visions at the Capitol' exhibit at Capitol Annex**

The hallways of the Capitol Annex are vibrant with art, as "Kentucky Visions at the Capitol" is on exhibit through March 30.

**Webinars to assist artists seeking fellowships, awards**

The Kentucky Arts Council will offer webinars to assist artists seeking to apply for the AI Smith Individual Artist Fellowship, Emerging Artist Award or for inclusion in the Performing Arts Directory.

**Kentucky Arts Council selects Berea photographer as featured artist**

Kentucky photographer David Zurick, of Berea, has been selected as the Kentucky Arts Council's featured artist for January.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Jan. 26  
Webinar for Performing Arts Directory applicants**

**Jan. 27  
Webinar for Emerging Artist Fellowship**

**Feb. 11  
Arts Day in Kentucky**

**Feb. 19  
Poetry Out Loud State Finals**

**March 7-8  
Kentucky Crafted: The Market**

**Through March 30  
Kentucky Visions at the Capitol**

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**

**Feb. 9  
Music Scenes call to artists**

**Feb. 15  
AI Smith Individual Artist Fellowship**

**Feb. 15  
Arts Access Assistance Grant**

**Recently posted:**

"Notable Quotable: Kitty Lunn on Disability & Discrimination"

"Notable Quotable: Jane Chu at Indiana University"

"My 2015 Cultural Resolutions"

**Feb. 15  
Emerging Artist Award**

**Feb. 15  
Folk and Traditional Arts Apprenticeship**

**Feb. 15  
Performing Arts Directory**

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**ARTS ACROSS THE TOURISM, ARTS AND HERITAGE CABINET**

**Berea Welcome Center Carvers Demonstrate at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea**

On Saturday, Jan. 24, three members of the Berea Welcome Center Carvers will demonstrate a variety of woodcarving styles and techniques from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

**New Exhibit: The Kentucky Murals of Frank W. Long**

A new lobby exhibit, "Kentucky Murals by Frank W. Long" has opened at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, where it will be on display through April 18, 2015.

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