

# ARTS E-NEWS



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**Kathy Conroy**  
July/August Featured Artist



### KAC Employment Opportunity



**Kentucky Poet Laureate**  
**George Ella Lyon**



Dear Stakeholders in the Arts,

This summer has been a momentous one for the arts in Kentucky. Last month, the National Endowment for the Arts announced that **Berea College received a \$100,000 Our Town grant**, which supports creative placemaking projects that help to transform communities into lively, beautiful and resilient places with the arts at their core.

Shortly after that announcement, **ArtPlace America announced its round of grant** awardees, which included \$450,000 for Appalshop in Whitesburg and \$280,000 for Roots & Wings in Louisville.

It has also been a bittersweet summer, as we have said goodbye to two longtime Kentucky Arts Council staff members who have retired.

Beau Haddock, who was our media and public relations director, retired May 26 after 14 years with the arts council. Beau was a valuable member of our team, and was very active in building the network of media contacts that have helped us promote major arts council events, like Kentucky Crafted: The Market. If you ever saw our Market commercials on television or heard our ads on the radio, Beau's hand was in it. He'll be sharing his retirement with his wife, Caroline, and splitting time between their home in Lexington and farm in rural Scott County.

On July 31, Ed Lawrence, our arts marketing director, retired. Ed was the longest-tenured member of the arts council staff, having been a full-time employee for 22 years. He was the longtime communications director before taking over administration of arts marketing and the Kentucky Crafted program in 2012. His name is known to the many artists around Kentucky who have been juried into that program. In retirement, Ed plans to continue developing his own publishing business and will also spend more time with his wife, Sandie (the arts council information technology manager).

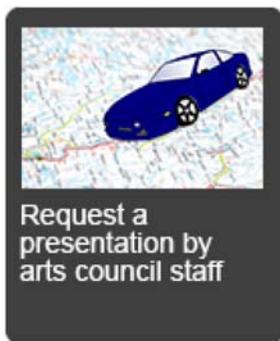
These two men were more than just our coworkers. They continue to be our friends. And they are both artists in their own rights. Beau is a renowned music performer and composer. Ed is an accomplished photographer. It's gratifying to share a profession with people like Beau and Ed because they not only work in the arts, they live and breathe the arts every day.

We'll miss Beau and Ed and the contributions they have made to the arts council. I appreciate each of their efforts and their dedication and support of the arts in Kentucky and, especially, the arts council. I hope they have both taken with them the satisfaction of knowing the Kentucky Arts Council is a better place because of them.

Sincerely,

*Lori Meadows*

Executive Director



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Master Folk Arts Exhibit  
July 2 - Aug. 31  
Burkesville

[Makings of a Master Exhibit](#)



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IN THE ARTS**

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**CREATIVE COMMONWEALTH BLOG**

**Recently posted:**

“More training opportunities for creative entrepreneurs”

“Kentucky’s first Etsy training hits the mark”

“Artists can apply for Kentucky Crafted Program”



**We invite you to join us in building**

**RECENT NEWS**

**2 Kentucky organizations receive ArtPlace America grants**

ArtPlace America has awarded grants totaling \$730,000 to two Kentucky arts organizations. Letcher County’s Appalshop received \$450,000 and Roots & Wings in Jefferson County received \$280,000. They were among 38 recipients across the nation to receive funding from ArtPlace America.

**10 Kentucky schools receive Teaching Art Together Grants**

Ten Kentucky schools will receive a Teaching Art Together grant from the Kentucky Arts Council to conduct artist residencies with students during the coming school year.

**Kentucky Arts Council announces Folk and Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant recipients**

Three Kentucky master artists have been awarded Folk and Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grants from the Kentucky Arts Council.

**4 artists added to Teaching Artists Directory**

Four professional artists have been added to the Kentucky Arts Council’s Teaching Artists Directory to work with educators to design and implement quality arts education programs in Kentucky schools.

**5 organizations receive Arts Access Assistance grants to serve Appalachian region**

The Kentucky Arts Council has awarded \$40,000 to five Kentucky organizations through the arts council’s Arts Access Assistance (AAA) grant.

**Kentucky Arts Council awards \$1.2 million to state’s arts organizations**

The Kentucky Arts Council has awarded more than \$1.2 million in operating support to 91 arts organizations across the Commonwealth for the 2016 fiscal year through its Kentucky Arts Partnership (KAP) program.

**AI Smith Fellowships awarded to 5 Kentucky artists**

Five of Kentucky’s top artists have been honored with \$7,500 AI Smith Individual Artist Fellowships from the Kentucky Arts Council for exemplifying excellence in their respective creative disciplines.

**Kentucky Arts Council announces Emerging Artist Award recipient**

Calloway County sculptor Wyatt Dagla Severs has been awarded an Emerging Artist Award by Kentucky Arts Council for demonstrating excellence and creativity early in his artistic discipline.

**Berea College receives \$100,000 NEA Our Town grant**

Berea College has received a National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Our Town award of \$100,000 to support projects to strategically shape the character of communities in eastern Kentucky.

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**

**Aug. 17  
Kentucky Crafted**

**Aug. 17  
TranspARTation**

**Aug. 17  
Architectural Artists Directory**

**a better South  
through the arts.**



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

**ART WORKS BLOG**

**Recently posted:**

"Children's Books about Museums"

"Art Talk with Playwright Katori Hall"

"Design As A Civil Right"

**HOLIDAYS** (*state offices closed*)

Sept. 7 – Labor Day

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

**Vincent artist to create poplar bark birdhouses at  
Kentucky Artisan Center**

Arnold Moore of Vincent will demonstrate the construction of his poplar bark birdhouses and talk with visitors about the process from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8 at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

**Free guided gallery tours at  
Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea**

On Saturday, Aug. 8, The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea will offer visitors free guided tours through the center's gallery exhibit, "Turn, Turn, Turn: Lathe-turned Works by Kentucky Artisans" and in the lobby, "Weaving in Kentucky: A Continuing Tradition."

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

Three members of the Berea Welcome Center Carvers will demonstrate a variety of woodcarving styles and techniques from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15 at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

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