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Dear Stakeholders in the Arts,

While we catch our breath after a very active autumn, I just wanted to thank each of you who attended the Kentucky Creative Industry Summit last week in Owensboro, and especially to presenting sponsors Berea College Crafts and the Kentucky Arts Council Board of Directors and to sponsors Kentucky Innovation Network-Owensboro, the City of Owensboro, Daviess County Fiscal Court, the Paducah Convention & Visitors Bureau, the Kentucky Small Business Development Center, the Kentucky Center for the Performing Arts and the Appalachian Artisan Center. We could not have anticipated the level of interest and support this event received, and we are grateful to all – participants and sponsors – for their commitment to this very educational summit.

This week we launched our “50 Days of Art” celebration, a series of events put on by our Kentucky Arts Partnership groups to help celebrate the Kentucky Arts Council’s 50th anniversary. To learn more about “50 Days of Art” and to see a list of the events and participating organizations, [read our press release.](#)

The holidays are coming and that means it’s time for the arts council’s annual “[Give a Gift Made in Kentucky](#)” campaign. We’d especially like you to keep this in mind on Nov. 28, Small Business Saturday. Consider purchasing gifts made by Kentucky artists or sold at one of the [Kentucky Crafted Retailers](#) near you.

*Lori Meadows*

Executive Director

## RECENT NEWS

### [Arts council celebrates 50th anniversary with 50 Days of Art](#)

To commemorate its 50th anniversary as a state agency, the Kentucky Arts Council kicked off its “50 Days of Art” celebration Nov. 14 in Owensboro.

### [Local government, business leaders will benefit from Creative Industry Summit](#)

The second annual Kentucky Creative Industry Summit, Nov. 12-13 at the Owensboro Convention Center, is a continuation of the Kentucky Arts Council’s commitment to empowering the creative industry to grow, and to contribute in a positive way to Kentucky communities.

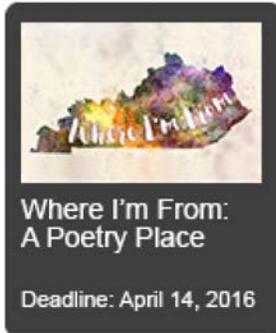
### [Give the gift of Kentucky art this holiday season](#)

The Kentucky Arts Council, with the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, launches the 2015 Give a Gift Made in Kentucky campaign today. The campaign, which features a variety of work by Kentucky-based artists, will run through Dec. 31.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



Kentucky Crafted: The Market buyer registration now open.



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Dec. 15  
Kentucky Peer Advisory Network Consultancy

Dec. 15  
Specialists With Arts Tactics (SWAT)

Jan. 15  
Kentucky Arts Partnership

Feb. 16  
Arts Access Assistance

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## HOLIDAYS *(state offices closed)*

Nov. 26-27 – Thanksgiving

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## ARTS ACROSS THE TOURISM, ARTS AND HERITAGE CABINET

**Berea English professor, students offer interactive poetry event at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea**

On Saturday, Nov. 21, Berea College students will offer an interactive poetry event at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Berea Welcome Center Carvers demonstrate Nov. 21 at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea**

On Saturday, Nov. 21, three members of the Berea Welcome Center Carvers will demonstrate woodcarving from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

**Kentucky Historical Society Announces 2015 Kentucky History Award Winners**

The Kentucky Historical Society (KHS) recently presented the 2015 Kentucky History Awards to people, communities and organizations who have shown a consistent effort to promote the preservation and appreciation of Kentucky's state and local history.



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