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Americans for the Arts Announces 2002 Convention Scholarship Winners

WASHINGTON, D.C. —Americans for the Arts, the leading nonprofit organization for advancing the arts in America, announces the winners of the 2002 Convention Hotel and Travel Scholarships. In partnership with US Airways and the Hotel Renaissance Nashville,

This year's scholarship winners are as follows:

Underserved Communities Scholarships Recipients

- Lisa S. Collins, President/ CEO, ARTSBRIDGE, Inc.; Parkersburg, WV
- **Rebecca D. Des Marais**, Director of Youth Arts Connection, Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta; Atlanta GA
- Marlene M. Doerr, Executive Director, Creative SHARP Presentations, Inc.; Meguon, WI
- Rebecca Jane Edwards, President, Cultural Development Foundation of Memphis;
 Memphis, TN
- Barbara Garrett, Artist Services Director, Idaho Commission on the Arts; Boise, ID
- Cathy Liska, Executive Director, Assembly of Community Arts Councils of Oklahoma;
 Oklahoma City, OK
- **Dorothy Marschak**, President & Founder, CHIME (Community Help In Music Education); Washington, DC
- Renata Mazzio, Arts & Cultural Coordinator, Orange Arts; Goshen, NY
- **Maureen Nash**, Arts Program Specialist for Cultural Institutions, City of New York Department of Cultural Affairs; New York, NY
- **Survilla Smith**, Founder, President & CEO, Studio for the Promotion of Arts, Culture and Excellence (S.P.A.C.E.), An Artistic Community, Inc.); Dorchester, MA

Emerging Leaders

• **Jennifer Armstrong**, Program Coordinator, Department of Dance, Arizona State University; Tempe, AZ

- Marlette Buchanan, Division Manager, Pierce County Arts and Cultural Services; Lakewood, WA
- **Debra E. Garcia**, Senior Planner, City of Santa Fe Arts Commission; Santa Fe, NM
- **Julie Goodman**, Director of Policy and Government Relations, Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance; Philadelphia, PA
- **Claudia J.H. Haydon**, Program Coordinator, Artists Department, Massachusetts Cultural Council, Boston, MA
- **Michelle Hunter**, Cultural Affairs Coordinator, City of Savannah's Department of Cultural Affairs; Savannah, GA
- Kathleen Keys, Community Development Director, Idaho Commission on the Arts;
 Boise, ID
- Alex David Peter, Arts and Culture Commissioner, Richmond Arts and Culture Commission; Richmond, CA
- **JenJoy Roybal**, Public Art Project Coordinator, Public Art Program, City of San Jose; San Jose, CA
- **Eric Thomas,** Audience Development Manager, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts Inc.; New York, NY

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