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Americans for the Arts Presents National Award for Leadership in Fundraising to Milwaukee's Glen F. Hackmann

AUSTIN, TX— Americans for the Arts today presented the 2005 Michael Newton Award to Glen F. Hackmann, chairman of the board of directors for the United Performing Arts Fund (UPAF) of Greater Milwaukee, at its annual convention in Austin, TX. The Newton Award recognizes exemplary leadership skills and extraordinary dedication to supporting the arts through a united arts fund, which is a combined or federated appeal for arts funding conducted annually to raise unrestricted money on behalf of three or more arts, culture, and/or science organizations in a community. Mr. Hackmann currently spearheads the UPAF of Greater Milwaukee's implementation of a new strategic plan designed to advance excellence and sustainability in the performing arts sector.

"Glen Hackmann's boundless energy and passion for the arts has made him one of our country's most important arts fundraisers," said Robert L. Lynch, president and CEO of Americans for the Arts. "Glen's dynamic advocacy of united arts funds and deep involvement in the performing arts in Milwaukee has ensured that the benefits of culture extend into every corner of the community."

Mr. Hackmann is a managing director as well as the general counsel and secretary for Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated, an employee-owned, international wealth management, capital markets, private equity, and asset management firm. He is also a member of the board of directors of Robert W. Baird Group Limited, Baird's European operation. In addition, he is director of risk management and chairman of Baird's Audit Committee and Risk Management Committee.

Mr. Hackmann graduated with an A.B. in English Literature from the University of Missouri and received his J.D. from the University of Missouri. Mr. Hackmann is former president of the

Florentine Opera Company and a current member of its board of directors. He is also a former member of the board of directors of the Milwaukee Ballet Company.

Americans for the Arts is the leading nonprofit organization for advancing the arts and arts education in America. With offices in Washington, D.C. and New York City, it has a record of more than 50 years of service. Americans for the Arts is dedicated to representing and serving local communities and creating opportunities for every American to participate in and appreciate all forms of the arts. Additional information is available at www.AmericansForTheArts.org.

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