

Governor's Arts Awards

Presented by Arizona Citizens for the Arts, the Arizona Commission on the Arts and the Office of the Governor, the Governor's Arts Awards are awarded to recognize outstanding achievement and contributions to the Arizona arts community

Arizona Citizens for the Arts: Arizona Citizens for the Arts is a 31-year-old non-profit organization dedicated to the mission of increasing discussion and awareness of the importance and impact of the arts in achieving quality of life, educational excellence and economic health for all Arizonans and Arizona enterprises.

Arizona Commission on the Arts: One of 56 state and jurisdictional arts agencies across the United States, the Arizona Commission on the Arts is an agency of the State of Arizona that supports a statewide arts network. The Arizona Commission on the Arts supports access to quality arts and arts education opportunities for all Arizona citizens; the development and retention of statewide jobs in the nonprofit arts, culture and education sectors; and increased economic impact in local communities through arts-based partnerships that develop tax and small business revenue. *Imagine an Arizona where everyone can participate in and experience the arts.*

Past Award Recipients

2011

Martin Moreno
Ann Ludwig
Tonto Community Art Association
Cox Communications, Southern Arizona
Free Arts for Abused Children of Arizona
Carol D. Whiteman
Shelley Award: Bill Sheppard, Carolyn Allen

2010

James DeMars
Elizabeth Ruffner
Bank of America
Grand Canyon Music Festival
The Drawing Studio of Tucson
Shelley Award: Shirley Chann

2009

Michael Barnard
Jacquie & Bennett Dorrance
Ben's Bells Project
Boeing
Phoenix Art Museum Docents
Shelley Award: Gerry Murphy
Lifetime Achievement Award: Kyle Lawson

2008

Mark Klett

Jessica Andrews
Arts for All, Inc
Valley Youth Theatre
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona
Shelley Award: Dennis Kavanaugh

2007

Ib Andersen
Janice Johnson
Mayo Clinic Center for Humanities in Medicine
Opening Minds through the Arts
Target
Shelley Award: Sam Campana

2006

David Tineo
Gerry Fathauer
Chandler Center for the Arts;
Bonnie Dent
DMB, Inc
Shelley Award: Shelley Cohn

2005

Robert McCall
Marcia Ellis
Stonewall Foundation
Gordon Epperson
Bank One

2004

Will Bruder
Gabrielle Liese
Tucson Symphony Orchestra
Mario Mendia
America West Airlines

2003

David Ira Goldstein
Maxine and Jonathan Marshall
Tucson Pima Arts Council
Maurice J. Sevigny
Wells Fargo Arizona

2002

Fritz Scholder
Don Luria
Sedona Jazz on the Rocks
Arts Genesis
American Express

2001

Beth Ames Swartz
Virginia Ullman
bicas
Childsplay, Inc.
Basha's

2000

Dorothy Fratt
Gene Polk
Cultural Council of Yuma
Flagstaff Arts and Leadership Academy
US West

1999

Dr. Harvey K. Smith
Frances McAllister
Glendale Public Library
Arts Connections (UApresents and Tucson
Unified School District)
Snell & Wilmer

1998

Tom Philabaum
Marvin S. Cohen
City of Flagstaff
Arizona Alliance for Arts Education
FINOVA

1997

James Turrell
Gordon Murphy
Thava Freedman
Patronato San Xavier
Phoenix Suns

1996

Paolo Soleri
Mark DeMichele
Artreach of the Scottsdale Cultural Council
Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus
Motorola, Inc.

1995

John Waddell
Myra Millinger
Gila Valley Arts Council
Barbara Meyerson
Hughes Missile Systems Company

1994

Frances S. Cohen
Lovena Ohl
Mesa Arts Center
Young Audiences of Southern Arizona
The Dial Corp

1993

Zarco Guerrero
Rose and Allen Rosenberg
West Valley Fine Arts Council
Barbara Mettler
Salt River Project

1992

R. Carlos Nakai
Rudy Turk
Prescott Fine Arts Association
Virginia Brouch
First Interstate Bank

1991

Alberto Rios
Lois & Richard Shelton (Don T. Tostenrud
Individual)
Flinn Foundation
Marion Elliott
Arizona Public Service Company

Lewis J. Ruskin
The Dayton Hudson Corporation

1990

Charles Loloma
George Rosenberg (Don T. Tostenrud
Individual)
Hopi Arts and Crafts Silvercraft Cooperative
Guild
Carroll Rinehardt
Phelps Dodge Corporation

1989

David Saar
Eugene Grigsby (Don T. Tostenrud
Individual)
Wickenburg Friends of Music
American Express

1987

Frederick Sommer
Robert and Kax Herberger
Coconino Center for the Arts
Valley National Bank

1986

Sandy Rosenthal
Helen K. Mason
East Valley Cultural Alliance
Mountain Bell

1985

Dennis Jones
John Wettaw
Empire Southwest Company

1984

Camil Van Hulse
Dino DeConcini
Phoenix Magazine

1983

Philip C. Curtis
Edward Jacobson
Arizona Republic/Phoenix Gazette

1982

Lillian Behr Hoff
Louise Tester Pollard
The Arizona Bank

1981

Walter Reed Bimson