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#### **New Colorado Office of Film, Television & Media**

*The Film Commission will become a division of the Colorado Council on the Arts*

On June 4 Governor Ritter signed House Bill 1010, which recreates the Film Commission as a state agency within the Colorado Office of Economic Development effective July 1. The bill was sponsored by Representative Tom Massey, former Representative Ann McGihon, Senator Nancy Spence and Senator Dan Gibbs, who recognize the important role of film, television, and media production in Colorado's Creative Economy.

"Movie production is a fantastic source of economic growth for the communities where these films are made," said Sen. Gibbs. "By encouraging more films to be made in Colorado we will stimulate our economy, get more Coloradans to work, and grow



more Colorado businesses. And we'll be able to see Colorado locations on the big screen. What's better than that?"

The new Office of Film, Television and Media will become a division of the Colorado Council on the Arts, and current Film Commission Director Kevin Shand, Deputy Director Marcia Morgan, and Locations Coordinator Laura Grey will be joining the CCA team.

### **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funding**

*Reminder that application due July 16*

Through American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) received funding for arts projects and activities that preserve jobs in the nonprofit arts sector threatened by declines in philanthropic and other support during the current economic downturn. In addition to the direct NEA funding, multiple other agencies, including the Colorado Council on the Arts (CCA) and the Western States Arts Federation (WESTAF) are distributing ARRA funds. While organizations are encouraged to apply to more than one source, grantees can only receive a single NEA-funded ARRA award. [Click here](http://www.coloarts.org/grants/apply/artists/index.htm) [http://www.coloarts.org/grants/apply/artists/index.htm] for information and application. Potential applicants are encouraged to call Elaine Mariner at (303) 892-3870 with questions regarding these grants.

### **Scientific and Cultural Facilities District Issues Request for Proposals**

*Rex Morgan tribute will feature public art at the Denver Performing Arts Complex*

Scientific and Cultural Facilities District board of directors and members of its Rex Morgan Tribute Committee are pleased to announce release of a [Request for Proposals](#)

[<http://www.scfcd.org/downloads/rma/RFPReMorganTribute2009.pdf>]

(RFP) for online submissions from Colorado artists interested in creating site specific public art honoring those individuals who over the years have made significant achievements in supporting the cultural, arts and scientific community, including SCFD, beginning with Rex Morgan.



SCFD seeks to commission an original work of art to be located on the Galleria of the Denver Performing Arts Complex. The artwork could be two- or three-dimensional and must be in such medium as to withstand the test of time and the elements of weather and public viewing and touching. The selected proposal will be a work of art which best serves as a reminder to the citizens of the seven-county District that their tax dollars support important nonprofit scientific and artistic cultural programming.

Background information, site and eligibility restrictions, timeline and other details are outlined in the RFP which is available from the SCFD [website](http://www.scfcd.org/) [http://www.scfcd.org/] or from [CaFÉ](http://www.callforentry.org), ([www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org)) the Call for Entry application web-based system the committee has licensed for the project.

The Tribute budget is expected to be \$50,000 with fundraising assistance provided by Citizens for Arts to Zoo, a local advocacy organization which exists to assist the SCFD community. No SCFD tax dollars will be used for this project.

Colorado artists interested in submitting proposals should be registered with CaFÉ and follow the directions outlined therein. The deadline to submit is September 1, 2009.



### **Call to Artists for Rotating Exhibit**

*Creative Capitol show will feature artists from southwestern Colorado*

The Colorado Council on the Arts and Denver International Airport announce a call to artists for the next Creative Capitol exhibit for artists from southwestern Colorado. The call is for two-dimensional creative interpretations of Colorado environments and culture. Creative Capitol: Southwest Colorado will be displayed at DIA from September through November 2009, and then move to the Capitol from December 2009 through February 2010.

The deadline for entries is 11:59 p.m. MDT, Tuesday, June 30, 2009. All application materials must be submitted electronically through CaFÉ™ at [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org). There is no application fee to apply or to use the online application system. For questions and additional information about the exhibition, phone (303) 342-2526, or email [artexhibits@flydenver.com](mailto:artexhibits@flydenver.com)

### **Public Art Installed at the New Forensic Institute**

*Artwork will play a role in the rehabilitation of the mentally ill*

The Robert Lee Hawkins Forensic Institute at the Colorado Mental Health Institute in Pueblo was dedicated in May. Four public artists installed artwork throughout the facility. It is anticipated that the public artwork will play a role in the rehabilitation of the mentally ill treated at the new facility.

David Tonnesen, Massachusetts, created an entryway piece that identifies the facility as a place of hope with soaring birds and transition pieces that will inspire and awaken the senses of the patients. Eileen Gay, Nevada, installed four wayfinding mosaics in each of the patient care units that will identify their unit with artwork rather than an institutional number. The themes for each of the nine patient care units are unique and relate to southern Colorado landscape. Michael Clapper, Colorado, installed a marble sculpture called *Dawn*



which represents the new hope each day brings. Richard Hansen, Colorado, placed water features in seven of the unit courtyards which provide both visual enjoyment and a bubbling, welcoming background sound in the outdoor area where patients can enjoy fresh air daily.

Both staff and patients will have the opportunity to be in a beautiful, normalizing living environment and to live safely in their communities – safe for their families, friends, care-givers and other community members.

### **Tell Us Your Success Stories**

*Help others by sharing your successes during these challenging times*

Visit [Express Yourself](http://www.coloarts.org/express/) [http://www.coloarts.org/express/] on the CCA web site and answer this question: “What successes have you had during these challenging times? We would like to share your stories with other organizations.” We will compile answers and post them on the website.

### **Kid Photo Contest**

*Governor invites kids K-8<sup>th</sup> grade to submit "The Best of Colorado"*

Kids in kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to send a digital photo of what they think is "The Best of Colorado". Governor Ritter will select one photo each month as a winner to be posted on the Governor's web site and the winner will receive a certificate signed by the Governor. [Click here](#) more information.

[<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/GovRitter/GOVR/1239108784764BestofColoradophoto@state.co.us>. ]



### **Colorado Council on the Arts Meets June 26**

*Council members will approve Grants to Artists and Organizations*

The Colorado Council on the Arts will hold its next quarterly meeting on June 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Anschutz Medical Campus. The agenda will include approvals on Grants to Artists and Organizations, an introductory presentation by the Office of Film, Television & Media, and updates on the Arts in Public Places and Arts Education programs. There will also be a tour of the public art on campus.

### **Use the Internet to Promote Your Events and Workshops**

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#### **Colorado.com**

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[<https://www.colorado.com/IndustryPartners/Register.aspx>] first. Then go to [www.Colorado.com/events](http://www.Colorado.com/events) to submit your listing. Short listings are free and for a small fee, you can upload a photograph and include a more detailed description. Contact Vicki Ottoson, at 303-867-8241 or [vickio@weaver-group.com](mailto:vickio@weaver-group.com). This web site is fueled by the Colorado Tourism Office which promotes Colorado.com via broadcast, print, radio, and online outlets to travelers interested in vacationing in Colorado. The web site welcomes more than 2 million unique visitors a year. The Events Calendar is one of the top areas of the site with more than 500,000 views annually.



#### **Professional Development Calendar**

Do you have an upcoming workshop, training or contest that artists would be interested in? Add your event to the Colorado Council on the Arts Professional Development Calendar. This calendar is one of the most viewed pages on CCA's web site. It is intended for commissions, contests, calls-for-entry, auditions, workshops or other learning opportunities for artists and arts administrators. This calendar is not intended for performances or exhibits open to general audiences. You can [add an event](#) [<http://www.coloarts.state.co.us/calendar.asp>] by logging in or creating a new online account.