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## Arkansas Arts Council Announces Call for Entries for 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual *Small Works on Paper* Juried Art Exhibition

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LITTLE ROCK, AR – The Arkansas Arts Council is now accepting submissions for the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual *Small Works on Paper* exhibition. Deadline for entries is July 24. All Arkansas residents who join the Arkansas Artist Registry are eligible to submit entries. (Applicants may join the Registry for free at time of entry.)

*Small Works on Paper* is an annual juried art exhibition sponsored by Arkansas Arts Council. Arkansas artists may enter up to three works of art on paper of any medium (no larger than 24x24 inches), which will be juried by a prominent arts educator and selected for a year-long traveling show to all areas across the state. Works must have been completed within the last two years.

Up to \$2,000 will be available for juror selected purchase awards, which become part of the *Small Works on Paper* permanent collection. Individuals may submit up to three entries at a fee of \$10 per entry or \$25 for three entries.

The Arkansas Artist Registry, which may be viewed [www.arkansasarts.org](http://www.arkansasarts.org), is a comprehensive online gallery of Arkansas artists and their work. The Registry contains work from more than 500 artists and is a valuable resource, allowing member artists to market their work and to connect to collectors, curators or anyone searching for artists and artwork. Membership to the Registry is free and open to all Arkansas artists.

Artists whose work is selected for the *Small Works on Paper* exhibition will be notified of results in September 2009. The 2010 exhibition opens at Searcy Art Gallery in January 2010. Suzanne Bloom, professor of art at the University of Houston, will be the juror.

For additional information or to request an entry form, contact Cheri Leffew, special events/program manager, at (501) 324-9767 or e-mail [cheri@arkansasheritage.org](mailto:cheri@arkansasheritage.org). The entry form is also available on the Arkansas Arts Council website at <http://www.arkansasarts.org/programs>.

The Arkansas Arts Council was established in 1966 to enable the state of Arkansas to receive funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. In 1971, Act 359 (A.C.A. § 13-8-101 et seq.) gave independent agency status to the Arts Council, with an executive director and a 17-member council appointed by the governor. In 1975, the Arts Council became an agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage.

As an agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, the Arkansas Arts Council shares the goals of all its agencies, of preserving and enhancing the heritage of the state of Arkansas.

The other agencies are: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program, Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission, the Delta Cultural Center in Helena, Historic Arkansas Museum, the Mosaic Templars Cultural Center and the Old State House Museum. Funding for the Arkansas Arts Council and its programs is provided by the state of Arkansas and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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