

ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you for Bringing Art to Life



Dear Huntington Arts Council Friend,

You are a major reason why the Huntington Arts Council has reached its 48th year of service to our community. We ask for your help with a gift to our Annual Appeal campaign. Due to recent events, the Huntington Arts Council's programming is in jeopardy. As you know, the access to funds continues to diminish, and we are faced with draconian cuts that support our many programs. These cuts directly impact the popular Huntington Summer Arts Festival, and will eliminate a staff position, and alter our publication, *Arts Cultural News*, and its large distribution.

For 48 years the Huntington Arts Council (HAC) has served our community with programs that strengthen the capacity and sustainability for arts creation, education, display and performance art, and the connection between artist and audience. In addition to its services to more than 600 member cultural organizations and individual artist members, HAC is the official arts coordinating agency for the Town of Huntington, and has designation as a "Primary Institution" by the New York State Council on the Arts, a title meaning "vital to the cultural life of New York State."

Please help us reclaim our programs and help us continue to serve more than one million Long Islanders each year. For every dollar we receive, 80 cents goes directly to supporting our high quality programs, including:

- "Journey" arts-in-education programs in seven school districts
- Huntington Summer Arts Festival, which celebrates its 47th Season in 2012
- Exhibition programs at the Main Street Petite Gallery in Huntington Village and the Art-trium in Melville
- *Arts Cultural News* – distributed 3 times a year, full of arts and cultural content plus event listings from more than 100 individual artists and arts organizations
- Funding support to local artists and arts organizations through the Decentralization program, Local Capacity Building for schools from the New York State Council on the Arts, and Re-grants from JPMorgan Chase

Thank you for considering a gift to the Huntington Arts Council in celebration of our past 48 years and in support of our exciting future. Your donation of any size demonstrates community support to all our funders and program partners.

Sincerely,

Andrea Marie
President

Diana J. Cherryholmes
Executive Director

P.S. You can become a FAMILY SPONSOR at the Huntington Summer Arts Festival! Please contact Diana for more information at dcherryholmes@huntingtonarts.org or 631.271-8423.x13.

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