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## **PENNSYLVANIA ARTS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES 2007 FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS**

**HARRISBURG** – Sixty-eight outstanding artists representing 22 counties in Pennsylvania have been named 2007 Individual Creative Artists Fellowship recipients, the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts announced today.

“Artists Fellowships are a small but significant investment in the career development of Pennsylvania’s outstanding creative artists,” said Council Executive Director Philip Horn.

“These talented and energetic individuals help to foster a vibrant quality of life in their communities, and their works of art contribute to a cultural legacy that will enrich Pennsylvania’s future.”

Individual Creative Artists Fellowships are awarded annually in selected categories. The 2007 awards were available in Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts; Crafts; Folk & Traditional Arts - Craft Traditions and Apprenticeships; Literature - Fiction or Creative Non-Fiction; Media Arts - Narrative and Animation; Music - Jazz/Blues/World or Non-Classical Composition; Theatre - New Performance Forms; and Visual Arts - Photography or Sculpture/Installation.

The goal of the PCA’s Individual Creative Artists Division is to encourage and enable outstanding Pennsylvania artists of all backgrounds to perform their work and display it to the public. The Council annually awards Fellowships of \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Recipients are recommended after a rigorous evaluation process where qualified arts professionals review applicants' work samples and support materials. The review process is anonymous, with the exception of the Arts Commentary and Folk & Traditional Arts applicants.

The Council works with partner organizations that provide administrative services for the PCA's Fellowship program, collaborating this year with the Institute for Cultural Partnerships, Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, Pittsburgh Filmmakers, and the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.

The Pennsylvania Council on the Arts is a state agency that works to develop and promote the continued excellence, diversity and vitality of the arts in Pennsylvania, as well as to broaden the availability and appreciation of arts throughout the state.

For additional information or questions about the Individual Creative Artists Fellowship program, contact Lori Frush Schmelz, Program Director, at (717) 787-6883, ext. 3027.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The list of 2007 fellowship recipients is attached.

**PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS  
2007 FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS**

**ADAMS**

|               |         |                                   |
|---------------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| Kathryn Rhett | \$5,000 | Literature - Creative Non-Fiction |
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**ALLEGHENY**

|                |          |  |
|----------------|----------|--|
| Vicky Clark    | \$5,000  | Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts |
| Julie Albright | \$5,000  | Literature – Fiction                       |
| Fiona Cheong   | \$10,000 | Literature – Fiction                       |
| Sherrie Flick  | \$5,000  | Literature – Fiction                       |
| Mark OConnor   | \$5,000  | Literature - Creative Non-Fiction          |
| Kevin Stemmler | \$5,000  | Literature – Fiction                       |
| Drew Pavelchak | \$5,000  | Media Arts - Narrative and Animation       |
| Bob Labobgah   | \$5,000  | Theatre - New Performance Forms            |

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|-----------------------------------|---------|---|
| James Osher                       | \$5,000 | Visual Arts – Photography                                 |
| <b><u>BERKS</u></b>               |         |   |
| Scott Cylinder and Lisa Cylinder* | \$5,000 | Crafts  |
| <b><u>BUCKS</u></b>               |         |   |
| Daria Marmaluk-Hajioannou         | \$5,000 | Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts                |
| Jack Thompson                     | \$5,000 | Crafts  |
| Matthew Smith                     | \$5,000 | Folk & Traditional Arts - Craft Traditions                |
| Michael Itkoff                    | \$5,000 | Visual Arts - Photography                                 |
| <b><u>CAMBRIA</u></b>             |         |   |
| Ed Panar                          | \$5,000 | Visual Arts - Photography                                 |
| <b><u>CENTRE</u></b>              |         |   |
| Lyn Elliot                        | \$5,000 | Media Arts - Narrative and Animation                      |
| Cristin Millett                   | \$5,000 | Visual Arts - Sculpture/Installation                      |
| William Snyder, III               | \$5,000 | Visual Arts - Sculpture/Installation                      |
| <b><u>CHESTER</u></b>             |         |   |
| John Diliberto                    | \$5,000 | Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts                |
| Alexander Long                    | \$5,000 | Literature - Creative Non-Fiction                         |
| Gunnar Mossblad                   | \$5,000 | Music - Jazz/Blues/World and<br>Non-Classical Composition |
| <b><u>COLUMBIA</u></b>            |         |   |
| Rand Whipple                      | \$5,000 | Theatre - New Performance Forms                           |
| <b><u>DELAWARE</u></b>            |         |   |
| Nancy Middlebrook                 | \$5,000 | Crafts  |
| Alison Hicks                      | \$5,000 | Literature – Fiction                                      |
| <b><u>ERIE</u></b>                |         |   |
| Cappy Counard                     | \$5,000 | Crafts  |
| <b><u>INDIANA</u></b>             |         |   |
| Fuyuko Matsubara                  | \$5,000 | Crafts  |
| Anthony Farrington                | \$5,000 | Literature – Fiction                                      |
| <b><u>LACKAWANNA</u></b>          |         |   |
| Drake Gómez                       | \$5,000 | Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts                |
| Cynthia Myron                     | \$5,000 | Crafts  |

**LANCASTER**

Shauna Frischkorn \$10,000 Visual Arts - Photography

**MCKEAN**

Nancy McCabe \$5,000 Literature - Creative Non-Fiction

**MONROE**

Eric Weeks \$5,000 Visual Arts - Photography

**MONTGOMERY**

Rebecca Medel \$5,000 Crafts  
Jon Volkmer \$5,000 Literature - Creative Non-Fiction  
Jeanne Walker \$5,000 Literature - Creative Non-Fiction  
Paul Fierlinger \$10,000 Media Arts - Narrative and Animation  
Marc Adler \$5,000 Music - Jazz/Blues/World and  
Non-Classical Composition  
Leslie Burrs \$5,000 Music - Jazz/Blues/World and  
Non-Classical Composition  
Jennifer Tauber \$5,000 Visual Arts - Photography

**PHILADELPHIA**

Jason Peifer \$5,000 Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts  
Samuel Reed, III and Mpho Reed\* \$5,000 Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts  
Melanie Bilenker \$5,000 Crafts  
Rain Harris \$10,000 Crafts  
Vera Nakonechny \$5,000 Folk & Traditional Arts - Craft Traditions  
Jay Kirk \$5,000 Literature - Creative Non-Fiction  
August Tarrier \$10,000 Literature – Fiction  
Christian TeBordo \$5,000 Literature – Fiction  
Joshua Mosley \$5,000 Media Arts - Narrative and Animation  
John Avarese \$5,000 Music - Jazz/Blues/World and  
Non-Classical Composition  
Lenny Seidman \$5,000 Music - Jazz/Blues/World and  
Non-Classical Composition  
Bobby Zankel \$5,000 Music - Jazz/Blues/World and  
Non-Classical Composition  
Sara Felder \$5,000 Theatre - New Performance Forms  
Martha McDonald \$5,000 Theatre - New Performance Forms  
Jamie Merwin \$5,000 Theatre - New Performance Forms  
Stefan Abrams \$5,000 Visual Arts – Photography  
Astrid Bowlby \$5,000 Visual Arts - Sculpture/Installation  
Jeanne Jaffe \$10,000 Visual Arts - Sculpture/Installation  
James Johnson \$5,000 Visual Arts - Sculpture/Installation  
James Mills \$10,000 Visual Arts - Sculpture/Installation  
Richard Ryan \$5,000 Visual Arts – Photography

**PIKE**

Walter Martin \$5,000 Visual Arts – Photography

**SCHUYKILL**

Nancy Honicker \$5,000 Literature - Creative Non-Fiction  
Brent Green \$5,000 Media Arts - Narrative and Animation

**SNYDER**

Tom Bailey \$10,000 Literature- Fiction

**TIOGA**

Aleta Yarrow \$5,000 Arts Commentary - Perspectives on the Arts  
Ross Shourds \$5,000 Folk & Traditional Arts - Craft Traditions

**WESTMORELAND**

Nicholas Papas \$5,000 Folk & Traditional Arts - Craft Traditions

\* Collaboration Grants

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