Alabama State Council on the Arts Awards Program

Nominations may include professional artists, businesspersons, arts volunteers, arts patrons, arts administrators, legislators, arts educators and others noted for promoting the arts in Alabama. The basic criteria will be the level of achievement in and/or support for the arts in the State of Alabama.

Nominations must be made on the accompanying form or a copy of this form. They must be typed or printed. This nomination form is also available at www.arts.alabama.gov/art_awards/celebrateart.aspx. Awards will be presented during a special gala event. Date and location TBA. Please submit your nomination form to the Alabama State Council on the Arts office by 5:00 P.M. on November 18, 2016.

JONNIE DEE RILEY LITTLE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award represents recognition by the Council for one who has devoted a lifetime of energy, service, and contributions to the arts in Alabama. The award is named after a past Council Member Dr. Jonnie Dee Riley Little who exemplified the spirit of this award in every respect.

1. Must have been a permanent resident of Alabama for at least ten years
2. Must be at an advanced stage of his or her career or tenure of service
3. Must have had a statewide impact in one's area of endeavor
4. Must have enhanced public appreciation for or participation in the arts
5. Must reflect the highest standards in personal and professional integrity

DISTINGUISHED ARTIST AWARD

Recognition will be given by the Council in this exclusive category to a professional artist who is considered a native or adopted son/daughter of Alabama and has earned significant national acclaim for his or her art over an extended period.

1. Must have a direct connection to Alabama by birth and/or professional accomplishment while living in the state
2. Area of artistic work may include any field of the visual, performing, or literary arts
3. Scope of artistic work must be of a nature having a national impact and universally recognized for excellence in the field

GOVERNOR'S ARTS AWARDS

The Governor's Arts Awards are presented by the Alabama State Council on the Arts in order to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions in the area of arts in Alabama

1. Nature and impact of involvement with the arts in the State of Alabama
2. Extent of personal, organizational or community service in the arts
3. Number of years of commitment to the arts in general or to a particular art form
4. Broadness or depth of support to various arts activities/disciplines/organizations
5. Evidence of special initiatives supporting arts and artists in the community and/or state
6. Level of standards of excellence set for artistic achievement

ALABAMA FOLK HERITAGE AWARD

This award was established to recognize master folk artists who have made outstanding contributions to their particular artistic tradition. The award is intended to honor long-term achievement with art forms that are rooted in the traditional or ethnic culture of Alabama.

1. Degree of authenticity of tradition practiced
2. Level of artistic excellence as reflected by work done over an extended period
3. Overall significance of the individual within his or her tradition
4. Degree to which the individual has played a role in perpetuating a tradition within a community context

ATTACHMENTS FOR HERITAGE AWARD

1. Biographical summary or resume of artist
2. Appropriate samples of artist's work (could include: slides, video tapes, audio recordings, copies of articles written about nominee)
3. Letters of support (optional) from people knowledgeable about the nominee's artistic tradition

SPECIAL COUNCIL AWARD

This award is presented by the Council on occasions where special recognition (not falling within the other categories) is warranted. This award may include posthumous, legislative, or special project recognition. Nominations are not accepted for this award; however, suggestions to the Council are welcomed.

THE AWARDS PROGRAM WAS INITIATED IN 1980 TO RECOGNIZE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARTS IN ALABAMA

THE JONNIE DEE LITTLE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

James Hatcher, Birmingham
Jonnie Dee Little, Auburn
J. L. Lowe, Birmingham
Wynton Blount, Montgomery
Louise Rodgers, Huntsville
Hugh Thomas, Birmingham
Allen Bales, Tuscaloosa
Jack Warner, Tuscaloosa
Elton B. Stephens, Birmingham
James Nelson, Birmingham
Philip A. Sellers, Montgomery
Gloria Narramore Moody, Birmingham
Roberta P. Gamble, Greenville
Dot Moore, Guntersville
Joe McInnes, Montgomery
Lyndra Daniel, Birmingham
Theresa Harper Bruno, Birmingham

THE DISTINGUISHED ARTIST AWARD

Jim Nabors, Sylacauga/Honolulu, HI
William Christenberry, Tuscaloosa/Washington, DC
Frank Fleming, Birmingham
Fannie Flagg, Fairhope/Los Angeles, CA
Albert Murray, Nokomis/New York, NY
George Lindsey, Jasper/Nashville, TN
Nall, Troy/Fairhope
Beth Nielsen Chapman, Montgomery/Nashville, TN
Rebecca Luker, Birmingham/New York
Rick Bragg, Piedmont
Dr. Everett McCorvey, Montgomery/Lexington, KY

THE GOVERNOR'S ARTS AWARDS

1980

M. P. Wilkerson, Montgomery; University Television Services, Tuscaloosa; Parisian's, Huntsville; Alabama Shakespeare Festival, Anniston/Montgomery; Fantasy Playhouse, Huntsville; Betty Ferguson Brice, The Birmingham Ballet, Birmingham; Alabama Dance Theatre, Montgomery; The New Cadek Piano Quartet, Tuscaloosa; The Mobile Opera, Mobile; Kentuck Association, Northport; Eastern Shore Art Association, Fairhope; Macon County Fine Arts Manifesto, Tuskegee; Jasmine Hills Arts Council, Wetumpka.

1981

Jeanne Shaffer, Montgomery; Loyd Tygett, Huntsville; Carl Morgan, Selma; Martha Dick McClung,Birmingham; Billie Fuller Goodloe, Mobile; Mary W. Tartt, Livingston; Barry E. Broach, Florence; Mr. L. Wade Black, Huntsville; Harriet Sumner, Mentone; Arts and Humanities Council of Tuscaloosa County; Education Division, Alabama Symphony Orchestra, Birmingham.

1982

Junior League of Tuscaloosa; Charles Harbour, Montevallo; Alabama School of Fine Arts, Birmingham; Fine Arts Department at the Jefferson County Board of Education; Penelope Cunningham, Birmingham; Birmingham Children's Theatre; Ramona Baker, Huntsville; Nan Callen, Gadsden; John Cottle, Jr., Tallassee; Betty Dardess, Tuscumbia; John Hall, Montgomery; Philip Murkett, Montgomery; Luella Henderson, Enterprise; Faye Perry, Talladega; Gordon Tatum, Mobile; Patsy Pollard, Mobile.

1983

Joseph Schreiber, Birmingham; W. Smith Foundation, Mobile; Betty Soule', Huntsville; The Tuscaloosa Community Players; Roy M. Underwood, Sumter County; Dr. William S. Warren, Gadsden; Representative Mary S. Zoghby, Mobile; Auburn Arts Association; Phil Coley, Montgomery; Emory M. Folmar, Mayor, City of Montgomery; Greenville Area Arts Council; Junior League of Birmingham; Kennedy Douglass Center, Florence; Louise Rodgers, Huntsville; Turner Rogers, Mobile.

1984

Alabama, the band; The Altrusa Club of Gadsden; Georgine Clarke, Northport; Edwina Peake, Dothan; Christine Richard, Huntsville; Cynthia Nicholson, Mobile; Gladys Tartt Brown, Sylacauga; Robert W. Weil, Montgomery; Josephine Ayers, Anniston; Talladega Heritage Commission; Dewey Williams, Ozark; Basil Gilchrist, Gadsden; Betty Wagoner, Troy; Senator Frances "Sister" Strong, Demopolis; Frances Heath, Mobile; LBW Community Arts Council, Andalusia.

1985

Senator Ted Little, Auburn; Craig Nutt, Northport; Margaret Carpenter, Montgomery; Gray Boone, Tuscaloosa; Aetna Life and Casualty Foundation; Sylacauga Area Council on Arts and Humanities; Carol Ogus, Montgomery; City of Montgomery; John Katopodis, Birmingham.

1986

William Dawson, Tuskegee; City of Tuskegee; The Huntsville Times; Elaine Johnson, Dothan; Performing Arts Association, Foley; Jack Warner, Tuscaloosa; Lula Wall, Tuscaloosa; Barbara Kimberlin, Florence.

1987

Representative Bobby Junkins, Gadsden; Representative Jimmy Clark, Eufaula; Grace Mussafer Hanchrow, Montgomery; Michael C. Dow, Mayor, City of Mobile; Gary L. Trentham, Opelika; Dot Davis, Huntsville; City of Birmingham; Delchamps, Inc., Mobile; Ann Delchamps, Mobile; Panoply, Huntsville.

1989

Randy Schrimser, Huntsville; Cheryl Carter, Montgomery; Cecil Roberts, Birmingham; Opelika Arts Council, T. Rodney Smith, Auburn; Doug Perry, Montgomery; Frank Helderman, Gadsden.

1991

Ann Everett, Russellville; Margaret Scruggs Guinther, Jasper; Consuela Lee-Moorehead, Snow Hill; Philip Morris, Birmingham; Dorothy Altman (Tut) Riddick, Mobile.

1993

Marjorie Benson, Ozark; Mary Ward Brown, Browns; Jayne Honea Lowry, Huntsville; Honorable James Scott Sledge, Gadsden; J. David Stout, Fort Payne; Zelpha Storey Wells, Tuscaloosa.

1995

Cleveland Eaton, Birmingham; Jean Galloway, Mobile; Helen Ellis Johnston, Huntsville; Kathryn Tucker Windham, Selma.

1997

Laura Blum Knox, Birmingham; Frank Morring, Huntsville; Inez Singleton, Eutaw; Robert Weil, Montgomery.

1999

Alice Green Thornton, Troy; Sarah Carlisle Towery, Alexander City; William E. (Bill) Briscoe, Decatur; Bob G. Smith, Montgomery; Tommie (Tonea) Stewart, Montgomery.

2001

Dyann Robinson, Tuskegee; Betty Schonrock, Huntsville; Charles Stakely, Montgomery; Frederick Kimbrough, Gilbertown.

2003

Johnny Long, Troy; Amanda W. Penick, Tuscaloosa; Cecil Whitmire, Birmingham.

2005

Betty Grisham, Huntsville; Bobby Horton, Birmingham; Jimmy Lee Sudduth, Fayette.

2007

Kathy Chan, Huntsville; Thomas Hinds, Montgomery; Paul Looney, Tuscaloosa

2009

Alvin Sella, Tuscaloosa; Dr. Mabry Miller, Huntsville; Hugh Williams, Auburn; Ward Swingle, Mobile/France.

2011

Dale Kennington, Dothan; Sena Jeter Naslund, Birmingham/ Louisville; Henry Panion III, Birmingham; Joyce Cauthen, Birmingham.

2013

Kitty Seale, Montgomery; Sonia Sanchez, Birmingham; Jean Prescott Pierce, Birmingham; Gordon & Geri Moulton, Mobile; Dr. Wayne Flynt, Auburn.

2015

Mack Gibson, Troy; Winston Groom, Mobile/Point Clear; Rick Hall, Florence/Muscle Shoals.

ALABAMA FOLK HERITAGE AWARD

H. Japheth Jackson, Ozark
Johnny Shines, Tuscaloosa
Nora Ezell, Eutaw
Noah Lacy, Ider
Gail Thrower, Atmore
Lomia Nunn, Graham
Bettye Kimbrell, Mt. Olive
Arthur Deason, Centerville
Sterling Jubilee Singers, Bessemer
Bo McGee, Eutaw
Jerry Brown, Hamilton
Margie and Enoch Sullivan, St. Stephens
Jerry McCain, Gadsden
Willie King, Old Memphis
James Bryan, Mentone
The Excelsior Band, Mobile
Herb Trotman, Birmingham

SPECIAL COUNCIL AWARD

Vestal Goodman, Fyffee/Nashville (Posthumous)
Gee's Bend Quilters, Boykin
Kathryn Tucker Windham, Selma
Patsy Riley, Ashland/Montgomery
Senator J. T. "Jabo" Waggoner, Birmingham
Jim Hudson, Huntsville

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The Jonnie Dee Little Lifetime Achievement Award	The Alabama Distinguished Artist Award	The Governor's Arts Award	The Alabama Folk Heritage Award
☐	☐	☐	☐

Name of person completing nomination form

Name | Daytime Phone

Address | City | State | Zip

Email Address

Please outline below the accomplishments, contributions, and qualifications of the nominee (use extra pages if needed):

Please return nomination form by Friday, November 18, 2016 to the Alabama State Council on the Arts, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 110, Montgomery, AL 36130-1800, or FAX to: (334) 240-3269. Visit: www.arts.alabama.gov. The form may be downloaded & completed on your computer and then emailed to: barbara.reed@arts.alabama.gov