MAYOR'S AWARD FOR THE ARTS

Mayor Michael Belsky and the Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission invite individual artists, arts organizations, businesses, and citizens of Highland Park to participate in the Mayor's Award for the Arts. Given annually, these awards recognize outstanding achievements and contributions to the arts in Highland Park.

For the purpose of this award, arts can include visual arts, such as drawing, painting, printmaking, and sculpture; performance, such as dance, theater, and music; architecture; and literature, including poetry, fiction, and scriptwriting. Arts achievement can be considered in the following categories:

Individual - An individual who has achieved artistic excellence, or who has made a significant contribution to his/her artistic discipline and to the arts in the community and area.

Arts Volunteer - A volunteer who has consistently supported the arts through a commitment of personal time, energy, and devotion.

Arts Entities - An arts organization that provides artistic programming for the community and makes a significant contribution to fostering the arts in the community. Such entities could be publishers, musical ensembles, and theatrical groups.

Arts Organization - A non-profit organization that has made a substantial impact on the cultural development of the community as demonstrated through exceptional artistic achievement, outstanding programming, or other leadership initiatives.

Business or Corporation - A local business or corporation that has demonstrated significant commitment to the arts, recognizing the imperative role of public/private partnership. This commitment may be in the form of financial, personal, and/or resources support.

Nominations must be postmarked by Monday, **August 17, 2009**. There is no limit to the number of nominations that may be submitted. Please complete the form below (or on-line at www.cityhpil.com/government/comm/culturalarts.html) and return to the Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission, 1150 Half Day Rd., Highland Park, IL 60035.

For additional information or additional nomination forms, please call (847) 432-0867.

Members of the Cultural Arts Commission and past Mayor's Award recipients are not eligible for this award program.

MAYOR'S AWARD FOR THE ARTS NOMINATION FORM

Please attach an additional sheet and describe, in 500 words or less, why you think the nominee should receive the Mayor's Award for the Arts. Include in your comments the achievements and contributions of the nominee as well as biographical and professional information and examples of the impact of the nominee's activity.

Nominee Information:

_____ _____
Nominee Email Address

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Organizational Affiliation (if applicable)

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Nominee Address City State Zip Code Daytime Phone

Category:

____Individual Artist ____Arts Organization ____Arts Volunteer ____Business/Corporation
____Other _____

Nominator Information:

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Nominator Email Address

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