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**Be Independent Holiday Art Sale**

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## About Art & Soul:

One of the most visible and exciting programs in the Arts Garden is Art & Soul, an annual celebration of African-American art and artists in Indiana featuring a diverse lineup of music, poetry, storytelling, dance, and visual art. This signature program of the Arts Council of Indianapolis showcases some of the state's most creative African-American artists during Black History Month in February. All of the Art & Soul performances are free and open to the public.

Since its inception in 1996, Art & Soul has celebrated the traditional and contemporary rhythms, movements, textures, and colors that distinguish African-American art and artists in Indiana.

Visit us online at [www.indyarts.org/artsoul](http://www.indyarts.org/artsoul) for more information.

## About Featured Artists:

2009 was the inaugural year for the Featured Artist program for Art & Soul. Six artists were chosen to highlight the Art & Soul program and gain access to unique opportunities. Featured artists received at least two opportunities to perform, air time in a professionally produced vodcast for web use, television and radio promotion and individual flyers to promote their performance in the Indianapolis Arts Garden.

For the 2010 season, 4-6 featured performing artists will be selected to have their work promoted in Indianapolis on a larger platform. Artists will be asked to define their vision as it pertains to their career as an artist for the coming year. Featured artists will be announced at the Art & Soul kick-off and will perform at least three times in front of an audience at various locations. Featured artists will be awarded a stipend for each performance and must commit to at least 3 in-house meetings with staff at the Arts Council.

Artists are asked to submit three items for the submission to this project:

1. A brief paragraph stating your interest in becoming a featured artist for Art & Soul, why your work is a good fit and how the exposure would aid in your career as an artist
2. An audio or video file or link to view a recent performance
3. An idea of your performance components (such as upbeat classic piano songs, energetic spoken word, etc.) \*This gives us a general idea of your performance.

Eligibility requirements are as follows:

Artists must be 18 years of age or older,  
Artists must be a residents of the State of Indiana

For more information and to submit to Art & Soul please contact Mali Jeffers, Arts Services Manager, at 317-631-3301 or by emailing [mjeffers@indyarts.org](mailto:mjeffers@indyarts.org).

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## 2. Performing: On Your Level Seeks Young Writers and Poets for Open Mic

Blair Karsch and the On Your Level Youth Project will once again host Indianapolis's premiere youth open mic events. On Your Level is the largest all city event with a focus on youth expression through spoken word. There is also room for adult performers as the evening allows.

This event will be an open stage for all ages to perform and practice any form of spoken word entertainment. Poetry, prose, comedy, hip-hop, rap, acoustic music and more are some of the most popular forms. Get there early to have a snack, drink, get a good seat and to meet the artists.

Tuesday, November 17th  
4:30-6:30 pm sharp  
Pike YMCA  
7114 Lakeview Parkway West Drive  
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Call 317-297-9622 for more information.

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### **3. Performing: Indianapolis Civic Theatre to Hold Open Auditions for "Bus Stop"**

Indianapolis Civic Theatre will conduct open auditions for the William Inge play "BUS STOP" on Monday & Tuesday, Nov. 16 & 17 at 7pm. Auditions will be held at the Theatre facility, 3200 Cold Spring Road on the campus of Marian University. Rehearsals are scheduled to begin Dec. 14. The show will be presented Jan. 22 through Feb. 7, 2010. The script calls for a cast of approximately 5 men and 3 women. Principal roles include tawdry nightclub singer Cherie, headstrong ranch-owner Bo, tough cafe-owner Grace and easygoing bus driver Carl. Additional roles include a young waitress, lecherous college professor, a good-hearted ranch hand and the no-nonsense local sheriff. While exuberant and comical on the surface, this enduring American play is a tenderhearted tale of love and loneliness that examines the hunger for companionship and understanding that resides within us all. The production will be directed by Civic Producing Director Michael J. Lasley. Those auditioning will be asked to read from the script. Audition information at [www.civictheatre.org](http://www.civictheatre.org) or 317-924-6770 x314.

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### **4. Visual: Fun and Personable Artists Needed for Art Supply Vendor Event**

MacPherson's is a wholesale distributor of fine art materials from California. The group is coming to Indianapolis for a national art materials trade show in April, 2010.

MacPhersons is looking for some local artists who would like to participate at an event at the Artsgarden on Wednesday, 4/14/2010, from 6pm-9pm. As a fun group of people who celebrate the arts, they are looking to create an atmosphere where local artists show off what they do best. An interactive demonstration would be most affective. Of special interest is graffiti art or "spraying."

The event is a casual dinner & drinks for about 100 independent art supply store owners, managers and buyers.

Payment terms to be negotiated. We are especially interested in bartering, trading your time & involvement with art supplies. Interested parties should submit a note explaining their experience at such events and up to three low resolution images to [rachelt@macphersonart.com](mailto:rachelt@macphersonart.com).

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### **5. Performing: Singers are Invited to Attend Master Class by Natalie Toro**

Natalie Toro, Broadway singer, will teach a singing class on Saturday, November 14 from 11:30AM - 1:30 PM at the Connoisseur Room. Tickets are \$20 each. This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to learn performance techniques from an accomplished Broadway Star!

Ms. Toro's Broadway credits include Eponine in *Les Miserables*, Madame Therese DeFarge in *A Tale of Two Cities*, and Sally in *A Christmas Carol*. She has traveled across the country in the national tours of *Evita* portraying Eva Perone, *Cats*, and *Jesus Christ Superstar*. She appeared as a solo artist at Carnegie Hall, National Concert Hall in Dublin, and more.

Toro will work one-on-one with each singer on topics such as:

- \*How to connect with an audience,
- \*Lyric Interpretation
- \*Stage presence
- \*\*"Selling" a song

Class is open to the public however class size is limited. Only 10 people will get to sing for Toro. All

others will observe the class.

Singers will be chosen to sing based upon first-come, first serve and will be notified if they are chosen to sing.

Please bring music in the correct key. An accompanist will be provided. For more information visit [www.thecabaret.org](http://www.thecabaret.org).

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## NATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

### 6. Visual: World of Imagination Seeks Artworks for National Exhibition

For the third time, APW Gallery is presenting their largest exhibition at a new location.

The idea is to have artists from all over the world submit up to 5 pieces of 12" x 12" or 30cm x 30cm canvas. Only 200 spots world wide are available. Read more about the exhibition by visiting [http://apwgallery.com/Call\\_for\\_Artist.html](http://apwgallery.com/Call_for_Artist.html).

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### 7. Musicians: Register to Have Your Song Played on Internet Radio

Musicians can register for free at [undergroundmusix.com](http://undergroundmusix.com) and receive 100 FREE radio spins. As an Undergroundmusix artist you will receive 100 Free Radio spins on Jango.com, a top-10 music site (5th music site in the US according to Comscore, June '09) where 7 million users create custom radio stations that play the artists they select plus similar artists Jango recommends. For more information visit [www.undergroundmusix.com](http://www.undergroundmusix.com).

## Looking to get more active in arts advocacy locally, regionally or nationally?

Visit these helpful sites for facts and figures you can use to advocate for the arts as well as useful tools to help you contact your elected officials.

**Local** - Arts Council of Indianapolis, [www.WhatTheArtsMean.org](http://www.WhatTheArtsMean.org)

**State** - Indiana Coalition for the Arts, [www.INartscoalition.org](http://www.INartscoalition.org)

**National** - Americans for the Arts, [www.artsusa.org](http://www.artsusa.org) (click on advocacy tab for web

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Basic Airbrush Workshop

Stan Layman will conduct a basic airbrush workshop on November 21, 2009 from 1-4:30PM at the Logansport Art Association. Cost is \$45.00 for those not members of the LAA, \$35.00 for members. Class is limited to six. First come first serve. LAA is located at 424 Front Street, Logansport, IN 46947. Please call to reserve a spot at the workshop. Phone 574-735-2915 or email [loganart@verizon.net](mailto:loganart@verizon.net).

### Law students at Indiana University School of Law, Indianapolis create first law society dedicated to fashion, art and design.

A group of second year law students at Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis could not find an outlet to express their passions for fashion, art and design, so they created a law society focused on these three key areas during the fall semester of their second year of law school. The inaugural call out meeting for potential members of the Fashion, Art and Design (FAD) law society will be held in November 2009 at the law school.

The society is seeking outside counsel and art/design/fashion experts as pro bono advisors who specialize in either art, fashion or design and/or law.

For more information on the FAD Law Society, or to advise the group as a legal or art/design professional, please send an email to [fad@iupui.edu](mailto:fad@iupui.edu).

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### OPEN FIGURE DRAWING at the Stutz!

Every Monday, 6-9pm at StutzArtSpace, located on the first floor of the Stutz Business Center (212 W. 10th Street). \$10 per person.

Join fellow artists for an open figure drawing session with a live model each week. Come and paint or draw and hone your skills. Note that no instructor will be present, only a monitor to facilitate the session. Contact Susan Mauck, 317.331.3734 no later than 4pm each Friday before the session you wish to attend to reserve your spot. Space is limited to 12 artists each week.

For more information visit [www.stutzartists.com](http://www.stutzartists.com).

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### Join the Be Independent movement at the first Holiday Art Sale in the Indianapolis Artsgarden. Friday, December 11, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Swing by the Indianapolis Artsgarden for the Be Independent Holiday Art Sale. At the Holiday Art Sale, you'll find ceramics, glass, sculptures, paintings, one-of-a-kind jewelry pieces and more by 20 local artists. Also be one of the firsts to have the BeIndependent tote bag! Only \$6 each or 2 for \$10 with proceeds going to support the Be Independent movement and local artists.

See a list of participating artists at [www.beindypendent.org](http://www.beindypendent.org).

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### **Artist Services**

The Arts Council of Indianapolis offers a variety of services to individual artists including the Creative Renewal Arts Fellowship, the Robert D. Beckmann, Jr. Emerging Artist Fellowship program, professional development workshops, an online artist database, exhibition and performance opportunities at the Indianapolis Artsgarden as well as this weekly e-communication. For more information, visit [Artist Services](#) for the most up to date information.

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#### Did you know?

If you missed last week's Artist E-Newsletter, you can find an archived list at [www.ArtsCouncilofIndianapolis.org](http://www.ArtsCouncilofIndianapolis.org).

Click on "Artist Opportunities E-Newsletter" under the "Artist Services" tab.

If your organization has an opportunity for local artists, please submit a summary of the information along with a contact name and number/e-mail address to [artistservices@indyarts.org](mailto:artistservices@indyarts.org). **Submission deadline is every Tuesday by 2pm.**

Please note that we cannot include attachments, so please write a brief summary of your opportunity for artists in an e-mail format.

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