



2015 Governor's Arts Awards

Background

The Governor's Arts Awards is the largest annual statewide gathering of arts and culture supporters in Arizona. It is presented by Arizona Citizens for the Arts in cooperation with the Arizona Commission on the Arts and the Office of the Governor. Since 1981, 164 artists, individuals, community organizations, educators, education programs and businesses have been recognized for the extraordinary contributions they make to the arts in Arizona.

Proceeds from the event support Arizona Citizens for the Arts, a 501c3 organization that is the state's premier arts advocacy organization. AzCA is dedicated to educating, raising awareness and promoting civic discourse about the importance and impact of the arts and culture on quality of life, education excellence and economic vitality in Arizona.

The centerpiece event of the awards program features an elegant cocktail reception, followed by a sit-down dinner and awards program.

In 2015, the Governor's Arts Awards will recognize six new honorees with the coveted Governor's Arts Award and our newest Shelley Award honoree for a lifetime of arts leadership and advocacy. This year, the event will have the added prestige of being one of the first community-wide events to feature our new Governor as he salutes the unique contributions arts and culture make to our economy and community life.

The 2015 Event

This, the event will return to a cocktail reception, dinner and awards program. The date and venue will be determined soon in consultation with the Governor-election. Attendance of nearly 700 is expected from all over Arizona.

5:00-6:45 – Pre-Awards Cocktail Reception

No-host bar, hors d'oeuvres and Silent Auction
Entertainment by Arizona young artists

7:00-9:00 p.m. – Dinner and Awards Presentation

Introduction of the Governor of Arizona, Honorary Chair of the Governor's Arts Awards
Presentation of the Shelley Award for arts advocacy and leadership
Presentation of the Governor's Arts Awards

8:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Silent Auction Checkout

Individual Tickets: \$150-\$200

Pre-receptions

Two pre-receptions for nominees, major sponsors and other arts community VIPs will be held in Phoenix and Tucson.

AzCA also is offering major sponsors a media recognition partnership with Arizona Capitol Times which will produce the commemorative program and insert it into its weekly publication. AzCA also is providing year-round recognition of major sponsors through its website, azcitizensforthearts.org. For Premium Sponsorship information email info@azcitizensforthearts.org, or call 602-253-6535.