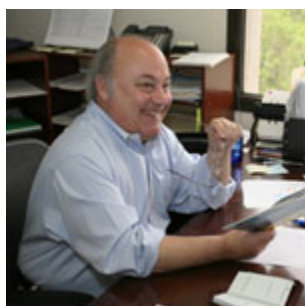




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Help Us Help You

Greetings and a happy and prosperous 2010 to you all!

The Arts Council will be kicking off the new decade by involving you in our efforts to improve our services to the arts groups, artists and audiences of the region. Thanks to the generosity of the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation and the James Irvine Foundation, the Arts Council is undertaking a new strategic planning process. To that end, we will be surveying the needs and opinions of our grantees and constituents, including those of you who receive this e-newsletter. Please help us help you! When you do receive a survey from us, please take the time to candidly give us your feedback. Responses go directly to our consultants at the TCC Group who are helping us with the strategic planning process. Your input is greatly needed and appreciated!

In addition, to those of you who will attend one of our upcoming focus groups, or have been interviewed by our consultants, I want to sincerely thank you for your participation. Please know that your time and expertise is greatly appreciated as well.

As we move through the strategic planning process in the coming months, we will survey our grantees about the effectiveness of our grantmaking activities. Currently, we offer eight varied grant programs to the local arts community. Thanks again to the Hewlett Foundation for making these surveys possible through the Center for Effective Philanthropy.

During these tough economic times, the Arts Council is doing all that we can do to help the arts community of our region. Thank you so much for your support!

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