

For Immediate Release

Nominations Open for Champion of the Arts Awards

GRAND JUNCTION, CO September 5, 2006 – The Grand Junction Commission on Arts and Culture is seeking nominations for the Champion of the Arts Awards. The annual awards honor Grand Junction businesses, organizations, and individuals for their dedication and generosity to the cultural community or to specific arts organizations or local artists. Nominations may be submitted by any group or individual, and the criteria include:

- ~ A consistent and on-going commitment to support, sustain, and promote arts and culture, artists, and/or cultural organizations;
- ~ Financial donations and contributions, or in-kind support and assistance;
- ~ Extensive volunteer time, or loaned personnel and expertise.

Two works of art by local artists will be purchased and presented to the winners as their awards, and the Arts Commission is also seeking available artwork. Nomination forms and artwork submission forms are available at the Parks office in Lincoln Park, or by contacting the Commission at 254-3865 or allisons@jcity.org to receive either brochure in the mail. Deadline for entries is 5:00PM, September 15. Winners will be announced and awards given out in November.

The Commission on Arts and Culture is a nine member board appointed by the City Council to foster cultural development and arts activities in the community.

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