

ALL FOR ARTISTS: Berks Arts Council's The Art of Jazz 2014

Reading, PA – Berks Arts Council announces a call for artists for the 10th annual Frank Scott Memorial Art Show: The Art of Jazz. The exhibit is open to artists in all media with work focusing on the theme “Celebrate Jazz.” The exhibit runs March 7 – 27, 2014, in the Rolf and Renate Schmidt Gallery at the GoggleWorks Center for the Arts, 201 Washington Street, Reading, and serves as a prelude to the 24th annual Boscov's Berks Jazz Fest, March 28 through April 6, 2014. Three cash prizes will be awarded: \$500 for first place, \$200 for second place, and \$100 for third place. Honorable Mentions awarded at the juror's discretion and a “People's Choice” award. The Artist's Reception and Awards Presentation will be held in the Schmidt Gallery on Friday, March 7, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dennis Danko, arts educator and musician, is serving as juror for The Art of Jazz. Danko is an adjunct photography professor at Northampton Community College and is the Affiliate Director of the National Scholastic Art Awards. He previously served as the Department Chair of Art and Music at Dieruff High School. Danko is the winner of the 2002 Arts Ovation Award and the 1997 Art of the State for photography. Select solo exhibitions include Franklin & Marshall College 1995, Allentown Art Museum 1994 & 1998, Philadelphia College of Textiles & Science 1997, Germantown Academy Arts Center Gallery 1997, and the Freyberger Gallery at Penn State University 1999. His images are included in many private and public collections, notably the Ray Holland and Linn Fowler collections, Kutztown University, Lehigh University, and the Lehigh Valley Hospital and Health Network. Danko is a retired bassist with a 25 year career working in bands of various genres, from jazz to pop to country. He has performed at clubs, festivals, and concerts locally, as well as in New York City and Los Angeles.

“The Frank Scott Memorial Art Show: The Art of Jazz,” and the Frank Scott Memorial award were founded during the 2005 Berks Jazz Fest by Berks Arts Council along with local businessman and artist Jerry Holleran. Frank Scott Memorial events honor legendary local jazz musician Frank Scott and are made possible through the generous support of the JerLyn Foundation.

To be eligible for awards, submissions must be original work produced after January 1, 2012. The entry fee for Berks Arts Council Members is \$15 for the first artwork, \$5 for each additional work up to a total of three entries. The fee for non BAC members is \$20 for the first artwork, \$5 for each additional work up to three entries. Cash, check, money order, and major credit cards will be accepted.

The Art of Jazz prospectus can be found online at www.BerksArts.org or by calling Berks Arts Council at 610-898-1930.

The mission of Berks Arts Council is to cultivate, support, and promote the arts in our community through collaboration, education, and presentation. In addition to the Berks Jazz Fest, Berks Arts Council presents the Bandshell Concert Series, Greater Reading Film Festival, Fast Lane Art, and Pagoda Awards, administers the Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts Re-Granting Program, and provides art exhibition and marketing opportunities for member artists. Visit www.BerksArts.org for more information.

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