

## BUSH ARTIST FELLOWS PROGRAM SETS MINNESOTA INFORMATION MEETINGS

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### **New Enduring Visions Awards will be Discussed; Fellowship Applications Available August 20**

**(Saint Paul, Minn.—August 28, 2007)**—Applications for the 2008 core Bush Artist Fellowships will be available August 20, 2007. Artists may apply in three categories: Visual Arts, Media Arts, and Visual Arts–Traditional, Ethnic and Craft Materials. All artists interested in applying are encouraged to attend an information meeting, scheduled between September 12 and 24 in Minnesota communities. More information, including applications, is available at [www.bushfoundation.org](http://www.bushfoundation.org).

At the meetings, Program Director Julie Gordon Dagleish and Assistant Director Kevin Bitterman will present an overview of the Bush Artist Fellows Program, including its new initiative, the Enduring Vision Awards for mature artists. In addition, program leaders will discuss the guidelines and eligibility for the 2008 fellowships and answer questions. The meetings in Minnesota are:

#### **Minneapolis, MN**

Wednesday, September 12, 2007 — 7 p.m.

Intermedia Arts

2822 Lyndale Avenue South

Monday, September 24, 2007 — 7 p.m.

The Loft Literary Center, Open Book

Target Performance Hall, Second Floor

1011 Washington Avenue S.

#### **Lanesboro, MN**

Thursday, September 13, 2007 — 5:30 p.m.

Commonweal Theatre Company

206 Parkway Avenue North

#### **Duluth, MN**

Wednesday, September 19, 2007 – 7 p.m.

Duluth Art Institute, Lincoln Park Site

2229 West Second Street

## **New York Mills, MN**

Thursday, September 20, 2007 — 7 p.m.

The New York Mills Regional Cultural Center

24 North Main Avenue, Box 246

Bush Artist Fellowships provide artists with significant financial support that enables them to further their work and their contribution to their communities. Fellows may decide to take time for solitary work or reflection, engage in collaborative or community projects, or embark on travel or research. Artists may use a Bush Artist Fellowship in many ways—to explore new directions, continue work already in progress or accomplish work not financially feasible otherwise. Up to 15 fellowships of \$50,000 each will be awarded in 2008. Application deadlines are in November 2007.

To be eligible to apply, an artist must be at least 25 years old at the time of application and a resident of Minnesota, North Dakota or South Dakota. Applicants must have lived in one of these states for at least the two years preceding the application deadline. Full-time students in degree-granting programs are not eligible.

For more information, please contact the Bush Foundation at 651-227-0891 or 1-800-605-7315 or [BAFInfo@bushfoundation.org](mailto:BAFInfo@bushfoundation.org).

The **Bush Foundation**, a private grantmaking organization established in 1953 by 3M executive Archibald Bush and his wife, Edyth, improves the quality of life by strengthening organizational, community and individual leadership in the region that includes Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. Its grantmaking and individual fellowship programs in the arts, medicine and leadership are open to candidates and organizations from the three-state region.