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The Cultural Council of Birmingham Bloomfield Presents



The Birmingham Bloomfield Cultural Arts Awards

October 2, 2020

Celebrating 25 Years



CULTURAL ARTS AWARD

Kerry Mills

The Heart of Birmingham Concert Band

SPECIAL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Sue Marx

Her Lens Films Life

SPECIAL POSTHUMOUS AWARD

Jason Polan

He Drew to Help the World See

PARTNERS WITH THE ARTS AWARD

Bloomfield Township Public Library

Giving All Arts a Voice



Past Cultural Arts Award Recipients

- 2019 - Barbara Heller, *Passionate Advocate for Public Art*
- 2019 - Hagopian World of Rugs, *Business Supporter of the Arts*, Partners with the Arts Award
- 2018 - Julie Dawson, *Artist and Humanitarian*
- 2018 - James Tocco, *Renowned Musician, Festival Visionary*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2017 - Glen Michaels, *Influential Artist of World Renown*
- 2017 - Sue Nine, *Tireless Arts Champion*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2016 - Gary Graff, *Bridging Music and Writing*
- 2015 - Evie Wheat, *Passion for Art and Artists*
- 2014 - Wendy Evans, *a Voice for Arts Education*
- 2014 - Joyce LaBan, *Moving the Arts Forward*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2013 - Laurie Tennent, *Photographer with a Benevolent Lens*
- 2012 - Cathie Badalamenti, *Dedicated to Theatre Arts for Youth*
- 2011 - Maury Okun, *Visionary in the Arts*
- 2011 - Judith Adelman, *Indefatigable Promoter of the Arts*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2010 - Diane Bert, *Artist Educator, Generous Spirit*
- 2010 - Barbara Kratchman, *Tireless Supporter of the Arts in Michigan*, Special Lifetime Achievement
- 2009 - Tim and Pam Hill, *CityScapes Exemplary Leaders*
- 2009 - Arthur Derooy Rodecker, *Dedicated Philanthropist*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2008 - Jack Horner, *Exceptional Music Teacher and Mentor*
- 2008 - Gerhardt Knodel, *Renowned Artist and Administrator*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2007 - Peggy Kerr, *Arts Advocate*
- 2007 - Balthazar Korab, *Architectural Photographer Extraordinaire*, Special Lifetime Achievement
- 2006 - John Reddy, *Creative Spark—On and Off the Stage*
- 2006 - Elmore Leonard, *Nation's Foremost Crime Writer*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2005 - Marcy Heller Fisher, *Author and Volunteer Extraordinaire*
- 2005 - William Bostick, *Teacher, Artist*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2004 - Cindy G. Cheaves, *Tireless Leader and Advocate*
- 2004 - Mary Denison, *Visual Arts, Leadership*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2003 - Carolyn Hall, *Artist, Author and Humanist*
- 2003 - June Taylor McGregor, *Advocate*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2002 - Elizabeth Stone, *Arts Champion*
- 2002 - Jack Kausch, *Photographer*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2001 - Janet Torno, *Arts Advocate*
- 2000 - Dave Falvay, *Founding Member Birmingham Concert Band*
- 1999 - Maggie Allesee, *Community Leader and Philanthropist*
- 1998 - Jan Radcliffe, *Drama*
- 1997 - John Cynar, *Visual Arts Activist*
- 1997 - Marshall Fredericks, *Sculptor*, Special Lifetime Achievement Award
- 1996 - Birmingham Musicale, *Community Service*

PROGRAM

Welcome

Laurie Tennent

President, Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield (CCBB)

Marcy Heller Fisher, Anita DeMarco Goor, Peggy A. Kerr
Co-Chairs, 2020 Birmingham Bloomfield Cultural Arts Awards

Co-Sponsors' Welcome

Annie VanGelderren

President & CEO, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center (BBAC)

William D. Seklar

President & CEO, The Community House (TCH)

Phil Allmen

Content Manager, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers

Presentation of 2020 Cultural Arts Award to Kerry Mills

Anita DeMarco Goor, *Co-Chair*

Presentation of the Special Lifetime Achievement Award to Sue Marx

Marcy Heller Fisher, *Co-Chair*

Presentation of the Special Posthumous Award Recognizing Jason Polan

Peggy Kerr, *Co-Chair*

Presentation of Partners with the Arts Award to Bloomfield Township Public Library

Marcy Heller Fisher, *Co-Chair*

Tributes

Oakland County Commissioner Shelley Taub

State Representative Mari Manoogian

Senator Gary Peters

Musical Interludes

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