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THE SPRINGFIELD ARTS COMMISSION PROVIDES FUNDS FOR LOCAL ARTS PROGRAMS

The grant helps Springfield organizations with art projects

Grants, ranging from \$100 to \$500, will be awarded through the Springfield Arts Commission's Heritage Arts Grant program. Applicants must be Springfield-based organizations that represent the community's history, culture, or ethnic diversity. Projects must be arts related and result in public performances or exhibits. Projects must be completed during 2008. Individuals are not eligible to apply.

The Arts Commission is committed to helping the community create works of art. Last year, grants helped fund six local projects. The Springfield Jazz Singers, Springfield Public Library's Youth Services Department, Springfield Museum, the West Winds Flute Choir, Springfield Alliance for Equality and Respect (SAfER), and the Emerald Empire Art Center received grants for arts-related projects in 2007.

Applications and information are available at the Springfield Public Library, 225 Fifth St., online at www.springfieldartscommission.org, or by calling Carrie Schindele-Cupples at 726-2237. Application deadline is Friday, November 2, 2007 at 5 pm.

What: Heritage Arts Grants from the Springfield Arts Commission are available

When: Deadline to apply is Friday, Nov. 2, 2007 at 5 pm

Where: 225 Fifth Street or online at www.springfieldartscommission.org **Additional Information:** Contact Carrie Schindele-Cupples at 726-2237