

## *Arts Alive! Awards 2005*

A project of the Akron Area Arts Alliance

**Who?** This unique event is a fundraising project of the Akron Area Arts Alliance (AAAA). AAAA fosters cooperation among arts & cultural groups in the Greater Akron area (Summit, Medina and Portage Counties). Membership includes 41 museums, theatres, performing & visual arts groups, educational fine arts programs plus 55 individual artists & arts supporters.

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**What?** *Arts Alive!* is Greater Akron's "Academy Awards" for outstanding achievement, leadership & stewardship of arts and culture. The evening includes a cocktail hour featuring new video entertainment, a gala dinner, an awards presentation plus the unique Out-of-the-Box auction of artist-designed decorative boxes.

**Where? When?** Radisson Hotel Downtown City Centre Saturday evening, November 12  
Arrival: 6 pm Dress: Creative cocktail attire Parking: Complimentary parking in Radisson deck. Enter from Mill Street

**Out-of-the-Box Exhibit** Over 50 original boxes have been donated by Akron area artists to be auctioned at the *Arts Alive!* event. The boxes will be on display at Summit Artspace Gallery October 27-November 5. The press and the public are invited to an artists reception Thursday, October 27 from 5-7pm. Regular gallery hours are Thursday-Saturday noon to 5 pm.

**Awards?** The awards will honor individuals/groups for outstanding achievement in areas such as:

- **Outstanding Artist Awards** - An individual artist whose work makes a significant impact on his or her discipline through outstanding creativity and growth
  - Outstanding Visual Artist**
  - Outstanding Artist in Music**
  - Outstanding Artist in Dance**
  - Outstanding Artist in Theatre**
- **Rising Young Star/Artist** - A visual or performing artist, age 20-40, whose work illustrates outstanding talent
- **Rising Young Star/Leadership** - A volunteer or patron, age 20-40, who is becoming a leader in the arts community by sharing time, generous support and leadership talent
- **Volunteer Award** - An individual who has shared significant time and skill as a volunteer for arts and culture in our community
- **Patron Award** - An individual who has sustained and enhanced arts and culture in our community through generous support, leadership and financial resources
- **Outreach Award** - An individual who or organization which has brought arts and culture to larger, more diverse audiences throughout our community
- **Business Support** - A business of any size that has, over time, provided extraordinary support for our local arts and cultural community through contributions of personnel, funding or other resources
- **Government Leadership Award** - A government leader who has recognized the importance of arts and culture to our community by promoting public support for the arts
- **Arts Educator Award** - An arts educator at the elementary, middle school, high school or university level who has shown outstanding teaching and mentoring abilities
- **Collaborative Project Award** - Two or more organizations and/or individuals who have come together to create a collaborative arts/cultural project