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MEMORANDUM

TO: Nonprofit Organizations, Schools, Libraries, and Government Agencies
FR: Laundrea Lewis, Grant Coordinator
RE: Arts Build Communities Grants Available
DATE: May 2009

We are pleased to announce that The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, in conjunction with the Tennessee Arts Commission, will again offer the **Arts Build Communities** Grants. This is a matching grant program funded by the Tennessee General Assembly and administered in cooperation with the Tennessee Arts Commission and other designated agencies. The ABC grant benefits arts projects undertaken by approved nonprofit organizations, libraries, government agencies and schools providing up to \$3,000 in matching dollars.

Organizations in the following counties are encouraged to apply: Bedford, Cannon, Cheatham, Clay, Coffee, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Franklin, Giles, Hickman, Jackson, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Macon, Marshall, Maury, Moore, Overton, Perry, Pickett, Putnam, Robertson, Rutherford, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, Van Buren, Warren, Wayne, White, Williamson, and Wilson.

ABC Grant Application and Guidelines will be accessible through our website www.cfmt.org/grants after July 1. Once there you will click on the link that will redirect you to The Tennessee Arts Commission's website for the application and guidelines. Complete the application online, save it to your computer, and then print and mail it in with all your attachments and original signatures. If you do not have internet access, please visit your local library. Unfortunately we will be unable to accept any handwritten applications. **Make sure you use the current grant application from the website. Out of date applications will not be accepted.**

The application **deadline is AUGUST 28, 2009 AT 4:30 P.M.** Art Projects should take place between October 15, 2009 and June 15, 2010.

The Community Foundation will conduct two special grant-writing workshops for potential applicants. **PLEASE NOTE: ABC Grant Guidelines and Application are revised yearly by the Tennessee Arts Commission. It is highly recommended that you attend at least one of these workshops to better understand these changes.**

**Arts Build Communities Grantwriting Workshop
July 8, 2009**

**Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee
3833 Cleghorn Ave Ste 400 – Nashville, TN 37215
1:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.**

**Arts Build Communities Grantwriting Workshop
July 9, 2009**

**Lewisburg Recreation Center
1551 Mooresville Hwy – Lewisburg, TN 37091
1:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.**

**Arts Build Communities Grantwriting Workshop
July 10, 2009**

**Upper Cumberland Career Center
3300 Williams Enterprise Drive – Cookeville, TN 38501
1:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.**

If you would like to attend either of the workshops, please call Laundrea at (615) 321-4939 or (toll-free 888-540-5200) by **July 2, 2008** to make a reservation -- **space is limited; call early.**

We look forward to working with you this year!