

Memorandum



Date: July 7, 2011

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 9(A)(4)

From: Alina T. Hudak
County Manager

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Subject: Resolution Authorizing Grant Awards for the FY 2011 South Florida Cultural Consortium Visual & Media Artists Fellowship Program

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve \$150,000 in funding support for twelve fellowship awards to South Florida artists from the South Florida Cultural Consortium's FY 2010-2011 general operating funds for the Visual & Media Artists Fellowship Program. Attached is a list of the artists being recommended for fellowship awards.

Scope

The impact of this agenda item is regional, reflecting the five-county membership of the South Florida Cultural Consortium (Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Monroe and Miami-Dade counties).

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The funding for each of the twelve Visual & Media Artists Fellowship Awards is from the adopted FY 2010-2011 budget for the South Florida Cultural Consortium for which the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs serves as fiscal agent, and which is delineated in the Ord. 10-64. The South Florida Cultural Consortium's budget is derived from funds contributed by member counties and from grants secured for Consortium programs benefiting the South Florida region. Funds contributed from each county are allocated to cover its respective fellowship awards.

Track Record/Monitor

During the program's twenty four-year history, all fellowship recipients have complied with their contractual requirements. Michael Spring, Director of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and Chairman of the South Florida Cultural Consortium, is responsible for monitoring the contracts on behalf of the Department and the Consortium.

Background

The South Florida Cultural Consortium (an alliance of the local arts agencies of Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Monroe and Miami-Dade counties) conducted the 2011 Visual & Media Artists Fellowship Program, recommending the award of twelve fellowships to outstanding South Florida artists. A list of the recommended artists and awards is attached.

Each member county of the South Florida Cultural Consortium receives benefits at least equivalent to its respective cash contribution. Grant funds secured by the South Florida Cultural Consortium provide additional financial and programmatic benefits to each of the participating counties. The following provides an account of the total amount in fellowships recommended in FY 2010-2011 to artists in each county:

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Miami-Dade County	\$75,000
Broward County	\$45,000
Palm Beach County	\$15,000
Martin County	-0-
Monroe County	\$15,000

The twelve artists were chosen through a competitive process involving nearly 300 applicants received from all five member counties and reviewed by two panels. One panel, consisting of regional arts experts, met on January 21, 2011 to review all of the submissions and to select a pool of finalists. This regional panel's recommendations were forwarded to a national panel of three out-of-state arts experts that met on April 1, 2011. The national panel's recommendations were approved by the Consortium's Board of Directors on April 28, 2011.

The following artists are recommended for fellowship awards:

Miami-Dade County

Antonio Chirinos	\$ 7,500
Aymee Cruzalegui	\$15,000
Cristina Lei Rodriguez	\$15,000
Martin Oppel	\$15,000
Leyden Rodriguez Casanova	\$ 7,500
Asser Saint-Val	\$15,000

Broward County

Madeline Denaro	\$ 7,500
Victoria Gitman	\$15,000
Christina Pettersson	\$15,000
Jillian Mayer	\$ 7,500

Palm Beach County

Walter Hnatysh	\$ 15,000
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Martin County

Deborah Goldman	\$ 15,000
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Assistant County Manager

FY 2010-2011 SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM

VISUAL & MEDIA ARTISTS FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

The following South Florida artists are recommended to receive awards through the FY 2011 South Florida Cultural Consortium Visual & Media Artists Fellowship program:

From Miami-Dade County:

Artist

Fellowship Award

Antonio Chirinos

\$ 7,500

5961 SW 63rd Avenue, South Miami, FL 33143

Antonio Chirinos received his MFA from Columbia University and currently teaches at Miami Dade College. He photographs in a documentary style referencing the history of photography and is influenced by crime scene images taken in New York City and Paris in the 19th century. As the artist states, "My goal is to produce images that represent the cultural tradition and uncover the meaning of sub-cultures which are a big part of my Hispanic background."

Aymee Cruzalegui

\$15,000

1254 Drexel Avenue, #11, Miami Beach, FL 33139

Aymee Cruzalegui was born in Lima, Peru and studied at the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale. She works as a documentary film maker and has produced several short films. Her latest documentary, *Por Mis Hijos*, has won many awards, including "Best Short Documentary" in the Madrid Film Festival and the Athens International Film and Video Festival. She also won "Best Documentary" at the 2008 Miami Short Film Festival and the 2009 New York City Short Film Festival.

Cristina Lei Rodriguez

\$15,000

4300 SW 62nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33155

Cristina Lei Rodriguez was born and raised in Miami, FL. She studied film, video and performance at The California College of Art, San Francisco. Her work has been exhibited nationally and internationally, including exhibitions at the Pompidou, Paris; Asian Art Museum, Seattle; and Deitch Projects, New York City. Rodriguez is well know for her intricate sculptures which combine organic elements, such as plants and flowers, with mass produced man made materials.

Martin Oppel

\$15,000

155 NE 38th Street, #102, Miami, FL 33137

Martin Oppel was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina and lives and works in Miami. Oppel was a founding member of "The House," an artist-run exhibition space in Miami that laid the groundwork for Miami's young contemporary art scene. His work has been exhibited at the Museum of Contemporary Art, North Miami; Bass Museum of Art, Miami Beach; and Miami Art Museum, among others. His work explores the dichotomies within the natural world and architecture. In Oppel's work, forms defy the logic that their materials dictate. As the artist states, "Magic and engineering only differ to the degree to which magic's secret mechanisms are understood, and that raw materials may simply exist as the past form of a present work of art."

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Leyden Rodriguez Casanova

\$7,500

81 NE 48th Street, Miami, FL 33137

Leyden Rodriguez Casanova was born in Havana, Cuba and lives and works in Miami. He graduated from New World School of the Arts and has exhibited locally at the Frost Museum of Art, Locust Projects and Miami Art Museum. His work re-contextualizes domestic objects, spaces and architecture, often combining these elements in large scale sculptural installations.

Asser Saint-Val

\$15,000

1837 NW 47th Terrace, Miami, FL 33142

Asser Saint-Val is a Haitian-American artist based in Miami. He is a graduate of New World School of the Arts and has exhibited locally and internationally. His paintings are fueled by dedicated research into the chemical and sociological properties of Melanin, a biological compound found in the plant and animal kingdoms that among other things colors skin, hair and eyes. His figures resemble something you may see under a microscope and consist of a mixture of media, including acrylic paint, coffee, shoe polish, flour and food coloring.

From Broward County:

Artist

Fellowship Award

Madeline Denaro

\$7,500

2800 NE 27th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

Madeline Denaro was born in New York and currently lives and works in Fort Lauderdale. Her paintings are in the collections of the Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale and the Art and Culture Center of Hollywood. She has been committed to painting abstraction for more than two decades. Her work is about process. Through the use of drawing, combined with layering, she constantly adjusts, revisits, destroys and renews her work surface, permitting the viewer a peek at where she has been before

Victoria Gitman

\$15,000

3140 South Ocean Drive, #2404, Hallandale, FL 33009

Victoria Gitman was born in Buenos Aires and now lives in Fort Lauderdale. She has exhibited her work throughout Florida, including the Bass Museum of Art, The Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale, Frost Museum of Art and the Armory Art Center, among others. Her work is in the collections of the Whitney Museum of American Art, Museum of Modern Art, New York, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Gitman produces intricate oil paintings that draw analogies between beauty and desire.

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Christina Pettersson

\$15,000

2570 SW 29th Way, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

Christina Pettersson attended New World School of the Arts and received her BFA from Maryland Institute College of Art. Her work has been shown with Locust Projects, Miami and is in the collections of the Sagamore Art Hotel and the Birmingham Museum of Art, among others. Her work consists primarily of large scale graphite drawings on paper. As the artist states, "A drawing glows like nothing in life ever can...Empty one world and exchange it for a new sultry vision, one more voluptuous."

Jillian Mayer

\$7,500

9226 Chelsea Drive North, Plantation, FL 33324

Jillian Mayer received her BFA from Florida International University. In 2010, her work was featured in the *Youtube Creative Biennial* at the Guggenheim Museum, New York City, Venice, Bilbao and Berlin. As the artist states, "Flashes of neon and the glow of my 1980s television set were the essential mentors of my early years. I have a keen interest in technology and its impact on society and relationships, although I am not very advanced in my applications. It is important that my work appeals on some level of entertainment for the viewer."

From Palm Beach County:

Walter Hnatysh

\$15,000

706 North Palmway, Lake Worth, FL 33460

Hnatysh has exhibited extensively throughout the United States and is in the collections of Boca Raton Museum of Art, Palm Beach Cultural Council and Valdosta State University. His works, which are rendered in oil on canvas, are derived from observation of landscapes, the activity of mark making, memory and subconscious.

From Monroe County:

Deborah Goldman

\$15,000

97 Bay Drive, Key West, FL 33040

Deborah Goldman has exhibited her photographs throughout Florida, including the Key West Historical Museum and the Lucky Street Gallery of Key West. She has a personal preoccupation with counting, and the repetitive nature of counting has served as the inspiration for her work. As the artist states, "Counting serves as a metaphor for the passage of time and transitory nature of existence. Chance and repetition, ever present in the organic world are both important elements in my work."



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 7, 2011

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 9(A)(4)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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7-7-11

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING OF TWELVE FELLOWSHIP AWARDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000 TO SOUTH FLORIDA ARTISTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AS FISCAL AGENT FOR THE FY 2010-2011 SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM VISUAL & MEDIA ARTISTS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves the funding of fellowship awards to each of the following South Florida artists:

Miami-Dade County

Antonio Chirinos	\$ 7,500
Aymee Cruzalegui	\$15,000
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from the Department of Cultural Affairs' adopted FY 2010-2011 budget as fiscal agent for the 2011 South Florida Cultural Consortium and its Visual & Media Artists Fellowship Program. It is the intention of this Board that these fellowship awards will be administered by the Department of Cultural Affairs through the issuance of agreements in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute same for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County; and to exercise cancellation provisions contained therein, subject to execution by each artist and approval by the County Attorney for form and legal sufficiency.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of July, 2011. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

DBM

Deborah Bovarnick Mastin

**SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM
VISUAL & MEDIA ARTISTS AWARD AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered this-----day of -----, 2011, between the South Florida Cultural Consortium, a coalition of the local arts agencies of Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties, which in all matters in connection with this Agreement shall act through MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ("County") c/o DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS ("Department"), and -----, ("Artist"), -----, Florida, provides as follows:

After a competitive process involving jurying by panels of regional and national visual and media arts experts, the County awards to Artist one non-matching \$15,000 Visual and Media Artists Award ("Award"). This Award is granted solely on the basis of creative artistic excellence, to improve his/her artistic skills, and to encourage Artist's career development, in consideration for Artist's agreement to abide by the following terms and considerations set forth in this Agreement.

This Award is for use by the Artist according to his or her needs. Funding of the Award will be paid from the South Florida Cultural Consortium's Operating Account for which the Department serves as fiscal agent. This Agreement shall be in effect during the period July 14, 2011 – December 30, 2011.

The Artist hereby attests that he/she is over 18 years of age, is a professional artist (defined as a person who has created a recognized body of original works of art within an artistic discipline over a sustained period of time and who is striving to achieve the highest level of professional recognition), and has lived in ----- County for at least one year prior to the time of the application deadline of October 1, 2010. Proof of residency in ----- County, beginning not later than October 1, 2009, is required in order to receive the Award. Such evidence may include, but is not necessarily limited to, any of the following: a copy of a realty deed or rental agreement in Artist's name; a utility bill in Artist's name; voter's registration; a current State of Florida Driver's License; or 2009 IRS personal tax returns. Other forms of proof intended to be submitted as substantiating evidence of the residency requirement must first be authorized in writing by the Department as eligible and acceptable alternate documentation.

The Award is in recognition of the Artist's prior work as a visual artist. The South Florida Cultural Consortium, in partnership with a recognized collecting and/or exhibiting visual arts institution within the South Florida region will organize an exhibition of Award winners' work during 2011. Artist must make available no fewer than five pieces of artwork specifically for the exhibition. Artworks are to be mutually agreed upon between Artist and the exhibition curators. Artworks are to be original works created by the Artist within the last three years. Artist will be responsible for the transportation of, and the risk of loss or any damage during the transportation of the art works. The County will not be held responsible for loss, theft or damage to the art works.

This Agreement may be extended by the Department for up to one year with a 30-day prior written notice to the Artist, and at the sole discretion of the Director. A narrative report addressed to the Department, summarizing the benefits gained and the accomplishments achieved as a result of receiving the Award is requested within forty-five (45) days of the Agreement period end date.

It is expressly understood and intended that the Artist is merely a recipient of award funds and is not an agent or employee of Miami-Dade County, its Mayor, its Board of County Commissioners, or the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs. Artist will consult his/her own tax advisor or the Internal Revenue Service to determine his/her tax liability.

In the event the Artist shall fail to materially conform with any of the provisions of this AGREEMENT,

the Department may cancel the Award, after giving forty-five (45) calendar days' written notice to the Artist of the details of the failure. If the Artist fails to cure the failure within the 45 days, the AGREEMENT shall be cancelled; the County shall have no further obligation to the Artist under this AGREEMENT, the Artist shall repay to Miami-Dade County all portions of the Award which have been received, and, at the Department Director's sole discretion, the Artist may be declared ineligible to apply to the South Florida Cultural Consortium's Visual and Media Artists Award program for a period up to five years.

The Parties hereto have executed this AGREEMENT on the _____ day of _____, 2011.

Attest:

MIAMI-DADE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Assistant County Clerk

By: _____
Mayor or Designee

Date: _____

Witness:

By: _____
Artist

By: _____
Witness Signature

S.S.# _____

Witness Printed Name

Date: _____

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency _____