

The MCG Arts Council

The MCG Arts Council is a unique cooperative effort of the Medical College of Georgia, the MCG Health System and many of the arts organizations in Augusta and the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA). It is the successor of the Arts in Hospital Committee. This all-volunteer group is dedicated to promoting the involvement of the fine arts in the medical community and to promoting MCG in the arts community.

Our Mission-

The mission of the MCG Arts Council is to promote a healing environment by bringing visual and performing arts to patients, their families, visitors, healthcare personnel and students within the academic medical community. The Council believes the arts enhance the healing process, enrich the community, and encourage wellness.

Our Goals-

- ❖ To provide coordinated and experienced leadership regarding the arts within the academic medical community.
- ❖ To support the establishment of a museum for items of an historical or scientific value related to the Medical College of Georgia.
- ❖ To enhance the community's knowledge and image of the academic medical community through the visual and performing arts.
- ❖ To enhance the environment for patients, their families, visitors, healthcare personnel and students within the academic medical community through the visual and performing arts.
- ❖ To maintain a diverse and active committee, which reflects an interest in the visual and performing arts

Current & Planned Activities-

- ❖ Organize art exhibits at MCG hospitals & clinics
- ❖ Organize art exhibits at the Robert B. Greenblatt, MD Library
- ❖ Organize art exhibits at Twin Gables (Presidential Residence)
- ❖ Organize periodic concerts by MCG and MCG Health System faculty, staff and student musicians on campus
- ❖ Sponsor performances by the MCG Chorus
- ❖ Sponsor theatrical productions on campus by the MCG Players
- ❖ Sponsor the Healing Arts Program at the MCG Hospital and Children's Medical Center
- ❖ Sponsor exhibitions of children's art within the academic medical community in conjunction with the Art Factory, Inc., Gertrude Herbert Institute of Art and local schools
- ❖ Sponsor exhibitions of children's art within the academic medical community in conjunction with the Greater Augusta Arts Council and "Arts in the Heart"

- ❖ Advise and assist senior leadership at MCG and MCG Health System on acquisition of works of fine art
- ❖ Serve as curators and custodians for fine art assets of MCG and MCG Health System
- ❖ Other activities as our resources allow

Composition & Leadership-

The MCG Arts Council is an interagency committee, operating under the aegis of the Vice President for External Affairs for the Medical College of Georgia and the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for MCG Health System.

Membership is by invitation, and all members of the Council serve voluntarily. The current membership (May 2006) is as follows:

Bill Andrews, MCG, *President & MCG Representative*

Janet Howser, MCG, *Vice-president*

Donna Trainor, MCG (retired), *Secretary*

Christine Betts, Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History

Charles Cadle, Community Representative

Audrey Crosby, Community Representative

Lois Ellison, MD, MCG Historian in Residence

Branan Ennis, MD, MCG Student Government Association

Robert Graybill, MCG Retirees Association Representative

Steve Harrison, MCG, Past Arts Council Chairman

Lynn Jaffe, MCG Players

Beth Jones, Community Representative

Joseph L. Konzelman Jr., DDS, MCG, Greater Augusta Arts Council and Garden City Chorus

Carol Lapp, PhD, MCG Chorus

Laurie Locklear, The Morris Museum of Art

Kathleen McKie, MD, MCG Concert Series

Barbara Meeks, RN, Children's Medical Center

Julie Moretz, Children's Medical Center & MCG Health System Representative

Cindy O'Brien, The Art Factory

Kim Overstreet, The Gertrude Herbert Institute of Art

Lana Rahn, MCG First Lady

Renee Sharrock, MCG Robert B. Greenblatt Library

Luann Tedesco, MCG First Lady (retired)

Misty Tilson, The Augusta Museum of History

Sharron Walls, MCG, Office of University Advancement

Luanne Zimmerman, Artists' Row Representative

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