



FOR FY2009, ALL GAP SUBGRANTEES MUST SEND LETTERS TO THEIR STATE REPRESENTATIVES THANKING THEM FOR THE GRASSROOTS ARTS PROGRAM FUNDING.

IMPORTANT!
THIS IS A REQUIREMENT OF THE GAP GRANT.
YOU MUST SUBMIT COPIES OF YOUR LETTERS WITH YOUR FINAL REPORT.

WHY? GRASSROOTS ARTS PROGRAM FUNDING IS ALLOCATED BY THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY – BY YOUR STATE SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES. FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE PROGRAM, THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED FUNDING FOR GAP IN THE LAST LEGISLATIVE SESSION. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT THE FUNDS WILL REMAIN AND IT IS UP TO US TO LET OUR STATE LEGISLATORS KNOW HOW IMPORTANT AND VALUABLE THE GAP PROGRAM IS TO EVERY COUNTY IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

ATTACHED IS A SAMPLE LETTER (WHICH IS ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE AT OUR WEBSITE www.goldenislesarts.org).

IF YOU DO NOT KNOW WHO YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE GO TO www.legis.state.ga.us

QUESTIONS? CALL US AT 912 262 6934 OR
EMAIL gap@goldenislesarts.org

Representative John Doe
123 Capitol Drive
Atlanta, GA 30000

October 2008

Dear Representative Doe,

On behalf of Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association (GIAHA), I am writing to thank you, the Georgia Council for the Arts, and the Georgia General Assembly for the Grassroots Arts Program support that we received for our program, "The Art Program", in the amount of \$2000.

Grassroots Arts Program (GAP) funds make it possible for organizations like ours to bring arts programming to our county and to reach out to all citizens of our community. The arts make an enormous social, educational and economic impact on our society and their importance cannot be underestimated. Continued funding of the Grassroots Arts Program is necessary and I hope that you will support GAP and its efforts to provide all Georgians with access to the arts and humanities.

I would like to invite you to attend "The Art Program" on Saturday, January 1, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Contact me at 912-262-6934 or executivedirector@goldenislesarts.org to let us know if you can join us. We would be honored. And please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance to you in any way.

We appreciate your continued support of the arts and humanities in the State of Georgia and your recognition of the vital role they play in the lives of its citizens.

Sincerely,

Heather Heath
Executive Director

Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association
1530 Newcastle Street, Brunswick, GA 31520
(IF THIS INFO IS ON YOUR LETTERHEAD DON'T PUT HERE.)