

# MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL

*Boosting local economies, revitalizing communities  
and improving education through the arts*



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Dear Howard,

On behalf of the Montana Arts Council, we are pleased to inform you of the Council's unanimous endorsement for your entry into Montana's Circle of American Masters. The excellence in your work, along with your commitment to the art you create and your willingness to share your knowledge with others all speak to your selection for this honor.

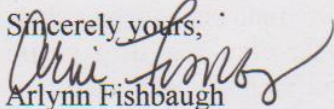
Along with the other inductees into this program, you and your work set a high standard for future nominees to the Circle. Through this program, we hope to identify and honor exemplary artists, their long-term commitment to excellence in their work, and their contribution to our state's artistic and cultural heritage. By celebrating the work of artists like yourself, we believe that we can increase general awareness of the richness of our diverse traditions, the quality of Montana folk art, and its importance in forming our identity as Montanans.

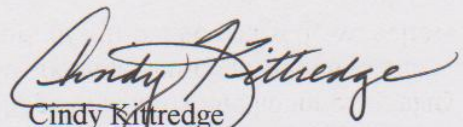
If funding allows, we hope to be able to schedule a session for a professional to photograph samples of your best work. As one of the benefits of this honor, we will provide you with copies of those images. We also will use those photographs in promoting Montana folk art.

You will be honored at a special ceremony to be announced later. MAC staff will contact you with specific details to accommodate your planning. You also will have the opportunity to teach your art through demonstrations and workshops if you wish, to share your knowledge and work through avenues such as the MAC website, and to use the MCAM logo on your work.

Again, congratulations on receiving this honor.

Sincerely yours,

  
Arlynn Fishbaugh  
Executive Director

  
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