Tuesday, March 12, 2024
11:00 am — 1:30 pm
Seawell Ballroom, Denver Center for the Performing Arts
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Welcome to the 2024 Business for the Arts Awards Luncheon, presented by MSU Denver and U.S. Bank. For over 35 years, CBCA has honored outstanding arts and business partnerships, creative workspaces, innovative collaborations and exemplary leadership across the state. This annual celebration is also CBCA’s largest fundraiser of the year. Thanks for joining us in recognizing these companies and individuals for going above and beyond to support the arts.

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CBCA demonstrates that art is smart for business. As a 501c3 nonprofit organization, CBCA supports a diverse arts ecosystem in the state with advocacy, programs, events and initiatives that advance our cultural sector. CBCA accelerates the careers of artists, creative entrepreneurs and our cultural workforce by providing training and resources to help them achieve their business goals, thereby growing our creative economy.

CBCA advocates on behalf of the arts and creative industries to cultivate a thriving creative sector, advance Colorado as a cultural hub and validate the arts as an integral part of our region’s economic development.

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Christin Crampton Day, CBCA Executive Director
Co-Emcee Michelle Griego, CBS Colorado Anchor
Co-Emcee Betty Hart, President of Colorado Theatre Guild, Co-Artistic Director of Local Theater Company & freelance actor and director

PERFORMANCE
Graham Good & The Painters, “Bullshit” and “Get After Life”

AWARD PRESENTATION
Arts & Business Partnership Awards
Fuel & Iron Food Hall
Jubilee Roasting Co.
U.S. Bank Cultural Leadership Award
Donald Rossa
Presented by Andy Aye, Colorado / New Mexico Market President, U.S. Bank
Volunteer Attorney Impact Award
Liz Hartsel

PERFORMANCE
Las Dahlias, “Cielito Lindo,” “Popurri Ranchera” and “La Negra” Performed by Mari Meza-Burgos, Alice Hansen, Diana Lechuga and Alejandra Mayorga

INVITATION TO SUPPORT CBCA

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Arts & Business Partnership Awards
Klein Makerspace
The Aurora Highlands
The Underground Music Showcase (UMS)
John Madden, Jr. Leadership Award
Jandel Allen-Davis, MD

PERFORMANCE
The Bboy Factory

CLOSING REMARKS
Nancy Walsh and Christin Crampton Day
Congratulations!

Black Cube Nomadic Art Museum on receiving a CBCA 2024 Business for the Arts Award.

Unlike stationary museums defined by their permanent architecture, Black Cube is a nomadic art museum that roams from place to place producing site-specific artworks in the public realm. Black Cube’s mission is to realize artists most ambitious ideas and inspire people to discover and appreciate contemporary art beyond traditional white museum and gallery walls. The nonprofit organization is headquartered in the Denver area and produces projects throughout the Colorado region, and beyond. Learn more:

www.blackcube.art

Founded in 2015 by Laura Merage, Black Cube Nomadic Art Museum is fostered by the unwavering commitment of the David and Laura Merage Foundation.

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ARTS & BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP AWARD HONOREES

BLACK CUBE NOMADIC ART MUSEUM
Founded in 2015, Black Cube Nomadic Art Museum exhibits novel site-specific art installations across Denver and Colorado with unique partnerships, such as FEMA and the Frontier Drive-Inn in the San Luis Valley, plus numerous business, civic and cultural partners. Each project requires in-depth research, community input and meaningful cross-sector collaborations. Black Cube aspires to support the integration of art and artists into everyday society.

COLORADO RESILIENCY ARTS LAB (CORAL)
Colorado Resiliency Arts Lab (CORAL) is a collaborative research initiative between Children’s Hospital Colorado’s Ponzio Creative Arts Therapy program, CU Anschutz Medical Campus and Lighthouse Writers Workshop to evaluate how creative arts therapies can build resiliency for healthcare workers. This NEA funded research lab is focused on creating a vibrant creative arts therapy community to enhance healthcare professional well-being and alleviate burnout.

FRASIER LIFE PLAN COMMUNITY
Frasier Life Plan Community has partnered with Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art (BMoCA) to establish an extensive, high-quality art program with curated exhibits to benefit their senior residents, staff and guests. In addition, a resident-led art committee stewards Frasier’s vast permanent art collection with museum-level curation supported by BMoCA staff. Frasier has gone above and beyond to ensure their community benefits from unique and top-quality art experiences.

FUEL & IRON FOOD HALL
Fuel & Iron Food Hall is a visionary culinary arts hub in Pueblo, Colo., featuring a creative restaurant incubator, apprenticeship program, commissary kitchen, 28-units of workforce housing, a visual arts gallery and dedicated public art program. The flagship Fuel & Iron Food Hall anchors Pueblo’s downtown creative corridor in a renovated historic hardware store. Fuel & Iron’s vision is to make Pueblo the best place in Colorado to launch a food business.

JUBILEE ROASTING CO.
With a mission to “create well and be good neighbors,” Jubilee Roasting Co. is dedicated to building community and supporting local creatives, including offering affordable artist studio spaces in their main location off of East Colfax in Aurora, Colo. Jubilee’s creative collaborations extend to the artwork on their walls, a ceramics studio on premises and their own branding. Their commitment to support “good people doing good things” includes their coffee sourcing and wholesale service, too.

KLEIN MAKERSPACE
Based in La Junta, Colo., Klein Makerspace is fostering creativity for the betterment of their community through education, tourism, economic development and local pride. Born out of 3D-printing face shields during the pandemic, Klein Makerspace is now an arts and innovation hub in the heart of La Junta. Klein Makerspace has expanded their equipment, tools and classes in response to community needs, in addition to producing swag for local festivals and events.

THE AURORA HIGHLANDS
The Aurora Highlands is a new master-planned community going above and beyond to integrate a substantial, meaningful and accessible public art program featuring internationally renowned artists. Located off of E-470 and I-70, The Aurora Highlands is already becoming an art destination. Throughout the two-mile length of Hogan Park at Highlands Creek, more than 20 installations have been curated and more will be installed over the next few years.

THE UNDERGROUND MUSIC SHOWCASE (UMS)
The Underground Music Showcase (UMS) is a three-day music festival on South Broadway in Denver that is strengthening the music sector through thriving wages, mental health, accessibility, economic vitality, career development and harm reduction programs. With a unique co-ownership model between Two Parts and Youth on Record, the UMS is a music festival on a mission with a commitment to artist care and community care.

The Arts & Business Partnership Award honorees are exemplary organizations that have gone above and beyond to support the arts and creative industries.
MSU DENVER NEXT WAVE LEADERSHIP AWARD

The MSU Denver Next Wave Leadership Award honors rising professionals who are leading the future of our cultural community.

Clelyn Chapin

Clelyn Chapin is the Artistic Director of Denver Women’s Chorus (DWC), a 150-voice choir under the Rocky Mountain Arts Association and affiliated with the Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses (GALA), and also a vocal professor at UNC. Through DWC, Clelyn has stewarded impactful collaborations with nonprofits and businesses whose values align with DWC’s mission to promote social change through music, ranging from reproductive justice to climate change.

VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY IMPACT AWARD

The Volunteer Attorney Impact Award recognizes an outstanding attorney who has provided pro bono legal services to Colorado creatives and advanced CBCA’s Colorado Attorneys for the Arts (CAFTA) program.

Liz Hartsel

Liz Hartsel is a Partner at Fortis Law Partners, LLC, where she leverages her employment law practice to provide legal assistance to CAFTA clients in the arts. As the firm’s Pro Bono Partner, Liz also recruits her colleagues to get involved and give back through pro bono help. Liz is active in Colorado Symphony’s Crescendo Society, is a 2016 graduate of CBCA’s Leadership Arts program and is a former CBCA board member.
U.S. BANK CULTURAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

The U.S. Bank Cultural Leadership Award recognizes an outstanding graduate of CBCA’s Leadership Arts program who has made an impact on arts and culture in Colorado.

Donald Rossa

Donald Rossa has been an owner at DazzleJazz, Inc. for over two decades. A 2015 Leadership Arts alum, Donald continues to support an inclusive music scene by forging meaningful partnerships and uplifting everyone around him. During the pandemic, Donald facilitated vital resources for struggling musicians, such as transforming Dazzle into a food pantry called Bread & Jam and creating a livestreaming venue.

JOHN MADDEN, JR. LEADERSHIP AWARD

Named for CBCA’s founding chairman, the John Madden, Jr. Leadership Award recognizes a lifetime of extraordinary leadership and a legacy of support for the arts.

Jandel Allen-Davis, MD

Jandel Allen-Davis, MD is CEO and President of Craig Hospital. Jandel has infused creativity into every aspect of her life as an OB-GYN physician, a healthcare executive, a board member for organizations like Denver Botanic Gardens and Denver Museum of Nature & Science, and a renowned fiber artist whose work has been displayed in several galleries and exhibitions. Jandel has stitched a professional and artistic legacy guided by equity and community service.

At U.S. Bank, we believe art enriches and inspires our community. That’s why we support the visual and performing arts organizations that push our creativity and passion to new levels. When we test the limits of possible, we find more ways to shine.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT PARTNERS

AWARD ARTWORK SPONSORED BY HEALTHONE
Jamie Gray
Jamie Gray is a contemporary artist based in Denver known for her organic modern wall sculptures made of encaustic wax on reclaimed wood. Her work is rooted in the slow observation of nature and melds abstraction, formalism, mark-making and materiality. Jamie has exhibited in galleries and art festivals across the U.S. and the U.K. and has work included in national and international private and corporate collections. grayjaystudio.com

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PlatteForum
Using the arts as a bridge, PlatteForum connects youth and artists with the resources needed to reach their full potential while addressing social issues that are of utmost importance to them and their communities. Youth and professional artists collaborate on long-term, intensive projects, where they explore a wide array of social issues together and take creative risks in a safe and inclusive environment. platteforum.org

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Colorado Jazz Repertory Orchestra
Founded in 2012 with the mission to perform the best music with the best musicians, the Colorado Jazz Repertory Orchestra (CJRO) does just that and more. Exciting world-renowned guest artists and many of the best local jazz musicians perform anything from rollicking big band classics to modern large and small ensembles to enthusiastic crowds across the state. coloradojazz.org

NETWORKING RECEPTION
Circus Foundry
Creating ensemble contemporary circus is their passion! Mixing disciplines from a variety of different performance arts, Circus Foundry likes to create unique story lines that are empowering and relatable. Their amazing cast has experience working for Franco Dragone, Cirque du Soleil, Marvel, Royal Caribbean, EDC, Cirque Dreams, and more. Circus Foundry was created with the simple idea of making amazing art and helping others in the process. circusfoundry.com

ENTERTAINMENT SPONSORED BY MOYE WHITE
Graham Good & The Painters
Graham Good is hailed as the “Messiah of Modern Rock” (Nick Stock, jambands.com) due to his infectious energy and classic song writing. Specializing in Feel-Good//Funk-Folk-Rock, this group touches on a plethora of genres that make it easy to instantly connect with. The Painters are trained musicians who aim to pull the heartstrings of their audiences to step up and live life fully. This band is the ultimate feel-good experience and perfect for any private party or festival lineup. grahamgoodmusic.com

Town Hall Arts Center
Founded in 1982, Town Hall Arts Center (THAC) is the vibrant hub of arts and culture in Littleton, Colo. THAC strives to elevate and inspire as they work to build meaningful relationships across all cultures and communities. A powerful, musical retelling of Lorraine Hansberry’s classic, “A Raisin in the Sun,” THAC’s Colorado premiere of Raisin runs from March 24 through April 14, 2024. townhallartscenter.org

Las Dahlias
Las Dahlias is a Colorado-based female mariachi group that performs regularly at concerts, festivals, schools, museums, restaurants, fundraisers and private events. Historically, the uniquely Mexican genre of mariachi has been a male-dominated field. Las Dahlias is making space and elevating female musicians as they uplift and share their culture and musical virtuosity. @lasdahlias.co

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CBCA acknowledges and remembers John Madden, Jr., the founding chair of Colorado Business Committee for the Arts (CBCA), who passed away on January 19, 2024. He was a trailblazing real estate developer and champion for arts & culture, also paving the way for Fiddler’s Green Amphitheatre, Museum of Outdoor Arts and the Madden Museum of Art.
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