

STATE POET LAUREATE

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	<i>Term Ending Date</i>
Robert Dana.....	March 31, 2006

The Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs is devoted to improving the cultural life of Iowa through the arts, history, and cultural matters affecting Iowans and our visitors. Improving Iowa's cultural life enhances the lives of all Iowans, while creating a stronger, more diversified economy, increased tourism, and more employment opportunities.

The department consists of the State Historical Society of Iowa and the Iowa Arts Council. The department was created in 1986 by the General Assembly as part of a comprehensive reorganization of government.

The Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs offers three grant programs for direct support to communities to enhance culture: The Iowa Community Cultural Grants Program provides matching funds to cities and nonprofit, tax-exempt community groups for projects that create jobs for Iowans while enhancing local cultural, ethnic, and historical resources. The Cultural Enrichment Partnership Program offers financial support for general operating expenses of Iowa's major, multidisciplinary cultural institutions such as museums, art and performance centers, and zoo, science, and botanical centers. The Small Operational Support (SOS) program supports operating expenses of smaller cultural organizations through competitive annual grants.

ARTS COUNCIL

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Arts Division, Historical Building,
600 East Locust Street, Des Moines 50319; (515)281-6412

<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending Date</i>
Brad Lang, Chair.....	Cedar Rapids.....	June 30, 2009
Colleen Armstrong.....	West Des Moines.....	June 30, 2010
Romonda Belcher Ford.....	Des Moines.....	June 30, 2009
Michelle Fischer.....	Cedar Rapids.....	June 30, 2008
Steven Hansen.....	Sioux City.....	June 30, 2010
Roger Hatteberg.....	Burlington.....	June 30, 2008
James Hayes.....	Iowa City.....	June 30, 2010
Linda Howard.....	Centerville.....	June 30, 2008
John Hudson.....	Iowa City.....	June 30, 2008
Mark Kresowik.....	Waterloo.....	June 30, 2009
Clark Marshall.....	Spencer.....	June 30, 2008
Barbara A. Rogalski.....	Davenport.....	June 30, 2009
Pramod Sarin.....	Waterloo.....	June 30, 2010
Linda Von Bank.....	Fort Dodge.....	June 30, 2010

The mission of the Iowa Arts Council is to enrich the quality of life for Iowans through support of the arts. The Iowa Arts Council works to ensure access to the arts, removing barriers to give all Iowans the opportunity to participate. The Iowa Arts Council seeks to foster excellence in the arts and arts education, to develop public support and recognition of the value of the arts, and to further the ability of all artists and arts organizations to practice their art.

Through its arts education grants, the Iowa Arts Council has placed hundreds of Iowa artists in schools to support arts education in Iowa, enriching our children's education. The Iowa Arts Council provides technical assistance and grants to support the development of Iowa's community arts councils, symphonies, theaters, dance troupes, individual artists, and other cultural entities. The council also provides professional development for arts educators, artists, and arts organizations; documents and promotes the work of folk and traditional artists in Iowa; and supports public art planning and development in Iowa communities and state buildings. Iowa Arts

Council grant programs include seven categories of major and mini project grants, Arts Building Communities in Schools (ABCs) grants supporting long-term school/arts partnerships, Big Yellow School Bus grants for school field trips to arts activities, and EZ 1-2-3 grants bringing Iowa artists into schools and communities.

The Iowa Arts Council issues grants and administers programs to improve Iowa's cultural landscape, not only to enhance the lives of Iowans but also to assist in keeping a talented workforce and young Iowans in Iowa. The division also administers the annual Iowa Scholarship for the Arts program, awarding financial scholarships to Iowa high school seniors intending to major in an arts field at an Iowa college or university. The Iowa Arts Council Board of Directors is a citizen advisory panel of 15 Iowans who advise the director on the programs and priorities of the agency.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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*Historical Division, Historical Building,
600 East Locust Street, Des Moines 50319; (515)281-7471*

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Jason Follett, Chair.....	Ankeny.....	June 30, 2008
Jacky Adams	Red Oak	June 30, 2010
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Janet McCannon	Burlington	June 30, 2009
Lisa Ossian	Des Moines	June 30, 2010
Roderick Scott	Iowa Falls	June 30, 2008
Louise Thurn	Elkader	June 30, 2007
Michael Vogt.....	Des Moines	June 30, 2009
Timothy Walch.....	West Branch	June 30, 2008
Theresa Weaver-Basye.....	Sioux City	June 30, 2009
Peggy B. Whitworth.....	Cedar Rapids.....	June 30, 2008
JoAnn Zimmerman.....	West Des Moines.....	June 30, 2009

Entrusted to preserve Iowa's historical legacy, the State Historical Society of Iowa identifies, records, collects, preserves, manages, and provides access to Iowa's historical resources. As an advocate of understanding Iowa's past, the State Historical Society of Iowa educates Iowans of all ages, conducts and encourages research, disseminates information, and supports historic preservation and education throughout the state.

The State Historical Society was established in 1857 in Iowa City as a private organization. Today, it is a division of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs.

The society's museum, located within the Iowa Historical Building in Des Moines, is guardian of approximately 100,000 artifacts, ranging from rare quilts to military armaments, from Native American beadwork to airplanes. Permanent and temporary exhibits offer visitors a personal, hands-on journey through time. Educational programs are offered for children, families, and adults throughout the year. Each year, thousands of school children discover the excitement of history through our guided museum tours.

The society maintains a library and special collections program with extraordinary collections at the Iowa Historical Building in Des Moines and the Centennial Building in Iowa City. The State Archives of Iowa identifies, preserves, and protects state government records and makes them available for research in the society's reading room in the Iowa Historical Building. You may uncover your roots through research on Iowa topics as varied as agriculture, labor, politics, and women's suffrage. Collections include books, maps, manuscripts, newspapers, census records, oral history interviews, and photographs. The library and special collections program and the State Archives offer many public and technical services, from assisting genealogical and other researchers to advising on appropriate care of personal and government documents.

Another dimension of Iowa's history is preserved through the society's eight historic sites: Montauk (Clermont), Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop (Haverhill), Abbie Gardner Cabin (Arnolds