

# Mayors' Arts Awards Recipients - 2007

*(Presented in no particular order)*

March 2007

- 1) Pamela Kuntz, performing artist and educator
  - a. Nominated by Jessica Kruger Stahl, Rose Marie Norton-Nader, Suzanne Fogarty, Dee Stahl, Molly McGraw, Matt Christman, Lindsay Schneider and Yvonne DeSaulniers
  - b. Reasoning: Broad support. Impressive body of dance performances and choreography. Educational impact.
- 2) Roosevelt Elementary PTA (Pam Behee, President)
  - a. Nominated by Fiona Starr
  - b. Reasoning: Children's education and participation. After school impact. Parental involvement.
- 3) Cheryl Crooks & Michael Petryni
  - a. Nominated by Gary Barnett, Mt Baker Theater Board President
  - b. Reasoning: Long time support of performing arts. Community impact
- 4) Whatcom Museum of History and Art – Rodin Exhibit
  - a. Nominated by Alexandra Wiley
  - b. Reasoning: Broad audience. International coup. Historic art.
- 5) Depot Market Square
  - a. Nominated by Bellingham Arts Commission
  - b. Reasoning: Artistic details....beet, goat, vegetables, historic plaques denoting site and material, benches, bell, holiday tree, etc.
- 6) Sue C. Boynton Poetry Contest
  - a. Nominated by Bellingham Arts Commission
  - b. Reasoning: Broad community impact, everyone can participate, bus promotion, quality of results
- 7) True False Documentary Film Festival
  - a. Nominated by Bellingham Arts Commission
  - b. Reasoning: Documentary film as art form. Various sites. Community draw to downtown arts district.
- 8) Boundary Bay Brewery (Ed Bennett & Janet Lightener)
  - a. Nominated by Bellingham Arts Commission
  - b. Reasoning: Support of music, emerging artists, film, offsite participation at museum
- 9) Downtown Sounds
  - a. Nominated by Bellingham Arts Commission
  - b. Reasoning: All ages fun, safe, various styles of music.
- 10) Whatcom Land Trust "Whatcom Places II"
  - a. Nominated by Connie Shannon
  - b. Reasoning: broad support of project, end product vastly popular, beautiful, fulfillment of WPI promise for excellence
- 11) George F. Drake
  - a. Nominated by Don Keenan
  - b. Reasoning: Big Rock Garden, Korean Children's Memorial, more info in nomination.
- 12) Mary Ennes Davis, art educator and visual artist
  - a. Nominated by Lynn Cooper
  - b. Reasoning: excellence as individual artist. Educational project.
- 13) Mark Asmundson, former Mayor of Bellingham
  - a. Nominated By Bellingham Arts Commission
  - b. For his ongoing support of the arts during his tenure as Mayor.