



### Arts Teacher Grant Program

The Arts Teacher Grant program is designed for teachers of the visual arts, music, theater and dance in Pinellas County Schools to enable them to implement school or classroom projects, participate in workshops, seminars or classes for their professional development or to bring professional artists into the school or classroom for specific, well-defined projects.

Applications are reviewed by a three-member panel which includes: Cultural Affairs Department staff; a member of the Pinellas County Cultural Council; and an arts education administrator from the field. Every effort is made to let applicants know the panel's decision within two weeks. Funds are administered through the Office of Special Projects for Pinellas County Schools and we are so grateful for their assistance and commitment to the program.

#### 2008 – 2009 Applications

Application forms for the 2008 - 09 school year will be distributed through the Visual and Performing Arts departments of Pinellas County Schools and will be available on this website in September 2008. Applications for up to \$1,000 may be made from September 15, 2008 through March 27, 2009 or until such time as funds for the program are expended.

For more information contact Kay Campbell via email at [kcampbel@co.pinellas.fl.us](mailto:kcampbel@co.pinellas.fl.us) (please note one "L" in the email address) or by phone at 727-453-7865.

#### 2007 – 2008 Awards

During the 2007 – 2008 school year, grants were awarded in the amount of \$12,380 and directly involved over 25,946 students and teachers.

Grants were awarded to the following teachers for **classroom or school-wide projects** and **artist residencies**:

- Linda Hilterbrandt, Visual Arts, Highland Lakes Elementary—support for "Garden of Art" multidisciplinary project;
- Derek Edward Weston, Music, Pinellas County Center for the Arts at Gibbs High School, Purchase of Music Pad Pro Plus to enhance composition projects;
- Kimberly Evans, Lealman Avenue Elementary, purchase of African and Cubano drums for "Discipline, Respect, and Unity through Music (D.R.U.M) Program;
- Michael Bagbyl, Ridgecrest Elementary, filmmaking equipment for school project;
- Jonathan Ogle, Visual Arts, computer drawing tablets for graphic design program for 3 – 5 graders;
- Jeanne Reynolds, Music, support for fees for speaker for the Florida Music Educators Association annual convention;

Grants were awarded to the following teachers for **professional development**:

- Brenda Dannewitz, Music, Osceola Middle School Tuition/Travel for Show Choir Camp;
- Susan D. Meier, Music Bauder Elementary, Tuition/Travel for World Drumming Workshop;
- Eileen Iacobucci, Visual Art, East Lake High School, Tuition for a variety of arts technique classes and workshops;
- Torree Jones, Visual Arts, Boca Ciega High School, Travel/Tuition for Nation Arts Education Association Convention;
- Dana Smalley, Visual Arts, East Lake High School, Travel/Tuition for Nation Arts Education Association Convention;
- Sandra K. Zielepuza, Music, Brooker Creek Elementary, Tuition/Travel for the Orff-Schulwerk American Association National Convention.

