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Indiana Arts Commission seeks Hoosier artist to create Lincoln Public Art Project

(Indianapolis) - The Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) announced today a call for artists interested in developing a public art project for the Lincoln State Park, Spencer County in southern Indiana as part of the celebration of President Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday.

In partnership with the Indiana Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Indiana Historical Bureau, the Arts Commission seeks an artist to design and create a piece of art or an arts experience reflective of the period of Lincoln's life associated with Indiana. Lincoln lived in Indiana between the ages of seven and 21 (1816-1830). All works must reflect historical accuracy.

Artists may request up to \$300,000 for this one-time Lincoln Public Art Program grant. Artist fees, transportation, installation, and site preparation must not exceed the \$300,000 total. Funding for this project was approved by the Indiana Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission from funds appropriated by the Indiana General Assembly in 2007. Artists working or residing in Indiana at the time of the grant submission are eligible to apply. No more than one (1) application per applicant will be accepted.

Interested artists must have a current e-mail address, and must first contact Bobbie Garver (317-232-1283) to initiate the online application process. This initial contact must take place by February 15, 2008. Ms. Garver may also be contacted via e-mail at: bgarver@iac.in.gov.

Applications must be submitted electronically through the IAC's online grant system, INGA. The deadline for completing of the grant application is February 29, 2008.

The proposed project must begin on July 1, 2008 and be completed by June 30, 2009.

In addition to the online application, all applicants are required to submit artistic/application documentation.

Grant guidelines are located on the IAC website, www.IN.gov/arts

Copies of the guidelines will be made available in other formats to meet special needs.

On behalf of the people of Indiana, the Indiana Arts Commission advocates engagement with the arts to enrich the quality of individual and community life.

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