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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO:

MARIA DOWNS

FROM:

SUSAN PORTER

Per our several conversations, Mrs. Ford would like to have a reception on Thursday, June 10th at 3:00 p.m. as part of the National Symphony's 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards. Included in the guest list will be the Board of Directors of the National Symphony, the National Trustees of the National Symphony, Board and Members of the Business Committee for the Arts and the judges of the 10th Annual Awards. I believe the maximum number attending would be 225 although I would expect it would really be fewer than that.

The contact is Mr. James Maxwell, Director of Development of the National Symphony. His phone numbers are O: 785-8100, ext. 44; H: 833-8273. The file is attached.

Thank you.

c: VSheila Weidenfeld Sara Massengale Rex Scouten Mike Farrell National Gymphony

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Antal Dorati, Music Director William L. Denton, Managing Dir

May 13, 1976

Ms. Susan Porter The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D. C. 20050

Dear Ms. Porter:

This letter expands on your request for information regarding the possibility of a White House reception on June 10th for the "Business in the Arts" award winners of the 10th Anniversary of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards.

Although this information has not been released at this time, I think it would be helpful for you to know the corporations which are being honored. The attached official list contains the names of the first time award winners and the return award winners.

Based upon the previous experiences of the Business Committee for the Arts we can expect a very high percentage of the chief executive officers of these corporations to attend, and in all cases, a top-ranking official of the company.

I sincerely hope that this information will be helpful to your making a decision about a White House reception.

On behalf of the National Symphony may I thank you for your interest and cooperation on this matter.

I look forward to hearing from you at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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James L. Maxwell Director of Development

H: 833-8273

cc: Mrs. William G. Whyte

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: MARIA DOWNS

FROM:

SUSAN PORTER

As we discussed, may I have your comments on the attached request for Mrs. Ford? As I mentioned, Mrs. Ford has been very much interested in the work of the Business Committee for the Arts.

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Antal Dorati, Music Director William L. Denton, Managing Dire

February 2, 1976

Ms. Susan Porter
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Ms. Porter:

Knowing of Mrs. Ford's commitment to the arts, we respectfully request that consideration be given to hosting a coffee or a reception at the White House as part of the 10th anniversary celebration of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards.

On the evening of June 9, 1976 and through midday of June 10, 1976 the National Symphony Orchestra's Board of Directors and National Trustees will be the hosts for the annual presentation of awards honoring corporations for outstanding support programs for the fine arts and the performing arts in the calendar year 1975.

I hope that the enclosed materials will be helpful. Included are:

- (1) Board of Directors, National Symphony
- (2) National Trustees, National Symphony
- (3) Business Committee for the Arts, Board and Members
- (4) 9th Annual Awards
- (5) Judges, 10th Annual Awards

Please let me know if I can provide any further information.

Peggy Whyte, a member of the Board of Directors of the National Symphony, has encouraged me to pursue a reception or coffee, and we hope that Mrs. Ford's schedule will permit her to recognize these national leaders in support of the arts.

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Ms. Susan Porter Page two

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Maxwell - Director of Development

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cc: Mrs. William Whyte

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FOR NOTEWORTHY CORPORATE SUPPORT
OF THE ARTS IN 1974

For nine years, the "Business in the Arts" awards have thonored corporations for their outstanding contributions to the fine and performing arts.

In seven of these nine years we have joined *Esquire* magazine in saluting those business firms already actively committed to supporting the arts and encouraging others to follow their lead.

The 27 winners and 46 honorable mentions listed below have been chosen from over 200 nominations by our distinguished panel of judges whose ranks this year include Barry Bingham Sr., J. Carter Brown, Joyce Hall, Stanley Marcus, Lloyd Rigler, Glynn Ross, Julius Rudel, Catherine Filene Shouse, Carl Spielvogel, George Weissman and Peggy Wood. Clive Barnes, Leo Cherne and Roger Stevens are also on the panel but did not vote this year.

We thank those who have participated. We also extend an open invitation to submit nominations for our 10th Annual Competition (for 1975 programs). Details will appear in a future issue of *BCA News*.

For information on how any company, large or small, can contribute meaningfully to the arts in this country; contact the Business Committee for the Arts at 1700 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10019.

1974 Awards

Attantic Cement Company, Inc., Ravena, New York, for support of a Cultural Enrichment Program in a small, local school district centered in the Town of Coeymans (pop. 5,000) and for producing and twice airing on prime television time a series of mini-documentaries on groups working to improve the cultural and historical resources of the 15-county area surrounding the Albany State Capitol.

Atlantic Richfield Company, Los Angeles, California, its second Award, the first in 1970, for its grant enabling more than 200 public television stations to air seven performances from Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna, Va., and Atlantic Richfield Foundation for support of the Alaska Festival of Music and The Los Angeles Music Center in presenting music and dance events.

CBS Inc., New York City, for its second \$1 million contribution (its first in 1968) to public broadcasting. The gift provided that part of the funds be used to support public television stations in the cities in which the company has stations of its own.

Central National Bank of Cleveland, Ohio, for its Central Street Players, a touring group of young entertainers giving more than 100 performances annually in area parks and playgrounds. The program, now in its fifth year, was conceived by the bank and offered to the Cleveland Recreation Department and Cleveland Board of Education.

Corning Glass Works, Corning, New York, for generous support of a wide range of activities by the Corning Glass Works Foundation over a period of years. In 1974, contributions included major museum, library and preservation projects in Corning; art, music and dance programs in the schools; arts and craft exhibits and workshops at local, regional and national levels; and assistance to art, dance drama and music groups in 16 states where the company has plants.

Embarcadero Center, San Francisco, California, for the commitment of over \$1 million, to date, for publicly accessible art—sculpture, in the heart of the city's financial district. The Center's developers have worked closely with local artists and galleries to select more than 60 workers, no less than one-third by local artists.

Exxon Corporation, New York City, its fourth consecutive Award, 1970 through 1974, for rescuing Lincoln Center's annual series of free, out-of-door performances when their continuance was in jeopardy, and for grants enabling WNET/13 to produce "Great Performances" and "Theater in America" and offer them for national distribution through PBS.

The First National Bank of Cincinnati, Ohio, for presenting eight free outdoor park concerts by the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra during the past two years. More than 100,000 music lovers have enjoyed these performances each summer and the bank has announced a 3-year renewal of its commitment to continue them.

First Security Bank of Idaho N.A., Boise, for support of the Utah Symphony on a regular annual basis (eight concerts during the 1974-1975 season); one week residencies for Ballet West in five Idaho communities; and monthly art exhibits in each of its 125 banking locations throughout the state.

Flanigan Furniture, Inc., Rochester, New York, its second Award, the first last year, for greatly increased support of the arts in 1974, including donation of 10% of specified purchase costs to the Rochester Philharmonic, establishing a permanent Art Gallery in a suburban showroom, and leading an intensive campaign—largely conceived by the company's chief executive—to assist the Landmark Society of Western New York.

Frisch's Restaurants Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio, for its gift to the Cincinnati Ballet of a new production of The Nutcracker performed seven times before capacity audiences of 26,000 during the Christmas season. Forty of the company's area restaurants joined in sponsoring a contest for children to make cameo appearances on stage during performances.

Heery and Heery, Architects & Engineers, Atlanta, Georgia, for design and construction of a special children's exhibit THE CITY at the High Museum of Art. Total resources of the firm were engaged to some degree over a 4-month period and all costs, including more than \$52,000 in out-of-pocket expenses, were contributed to the Museum.

The Indiana National Bank, Indianapolis, its second Award, the first in 1972, for establishing internships for six young aspiring professionals with the state's only resident company, the Indiana Repertory Theatre; for strong support of the city's Metropolitan Arts Council in reorganizing and increasing its activities; and for providing leadership in initiating a state-wide Advocates for the Arts.

IBM Corporation, Armonk, New York, its fourth Award, previous ones in 1966, 72 and 73, for collaboration with the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., in bringing to America the ARCHEOLOGICAL EXHIBITION FROM PEKING and support of the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York City, in mounting an exhibition of the work of Jacob Lawrence. A grant of \$300,000 from the IBM World Trade Corporation will enable the New York Philharmonic to tour Europe this summer.

Kirkpatrick Oil Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, for enrichment of arts and cultural resources in its community through provision of buildings for the Oklahoma Art Center, Oklahoma Science and Arts Foundation and the Oklahoma City University Fine Arts Department. Sizeable contributions have also been made to the Oklahoma City Symphony and to the Oklahoma Theater Center and Lyric Theater for both of which the company provides accounting and bookkeeping services internally.

Ledler Corporation, Burbank, California, for challenge pledges to seven local and national organizations to spur new and increased contributions for the arts and for initiation and continuance of imaginative programs in support of art, music, theater and dance throughout the country. The high degree of involvement by the two ranking executives is believed to be unsurpassed in the business community.

Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, Buffalo, New York, for a remarkable program of more than 250 free performing arts events in its block-long outdoor plaza over the past five summers. Promenade 74 a series of 82 daily programs, presented 648 musicians, 167 vocalists and 95 dance performers before audiences estimated at 40 600

Mrs. Paul's Kitchens, Inc., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for originating and underwriting three major national awards in the field of poetry. Administered by The Academy of American Poets, the awards are given annually for both lifetime achievement and continuing development of living American poets.

Mobil Oil Corporation, New York City, its fourth Award, previous ones in 1968, 70 and 71, for sponsoring Kennedy Center's 4th Annual "Twelve Days of Christmas Festival" a series of 53 events attended by 46,000; and Mobil Foundation, Inc., for its arts program in which company personnel in 29 communities recommended local groups for 1974 support.

National Bank of the Commonwealth, Indiana, Pennsylvania, for restoration of a decaying 1870's county courthouse, an example of Second Empire style architecture, for use as both a corporate headquarters and a center for community-wide artistic and cultural purposes in a predominantly rural area.

Pennwalt Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for offering its unsolicited assistance to The Philadelphia Orchestra, for a major project. A generous gift presented in

1974 enabled the Orchestra to complete a highly successful tour of six European countries this Spring.

Philip Morris Incorporated, New York City, its third Award, the first two in 1966 and 71, for eight major art exhibitions in the past three-years on three continents (North America, South America and Europe). Philip Morris (Australia) Ltd. has established grants totaling \$100,000 to purchase works by young Australian artists over the next five years.

Prudential Insurance Company of America, Newark, New Jersey, for a rescue operation which enlisted services of all echelons of company personnel to ensure continuance of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. Locally, the company has also strongly supported the Newark Boys Chorus School and the Community Center of the Arts and, nationally, has made generous gifts to both the Houston Opera and the Los Angeles Ballet.

Shawmut Bank of Boston, N.A., Massachusetts, for voluntary assistance to the Metropolitan Cultural Alliance in devising, piloting and establishing on a successful permanent basis a matching grants program for arts support. A participating corporation, of which the bank was the first agrees to match, dollar-for-dollar, all employee contributions to cultural organizations affiliated with the Alliance.

Simons General Store, Ancram, New York, for the initiative and efforts of the co-owners and staff of the 100 year-old emporium (8 employees) in community-wide restoration of outstanding examples of Victorian architecture. By providing a permanent home for The Gotham Light Opera Guild, the store has guaranteed a year-round program of musical performances in what is virtually a country hamlet (pop. 200).

Tiffany & Co., New York City, for initiation and fully supporting a series of lectures, and their subsequent publication in book form, on "Design in Corporate America" First given at The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, the lectures were aimed at sensitizing business leaders to the need for better design and aesthetics within the American corporation.

Wm. Underwood Co., Westwood, Massachusetts, for its long-standing corporate commitment to the arts throughout its 153-year history and for generous contributions to museums and arts programs locally, regionally and nationally in 1974. Among the continuing programs which the company supports is the restoration of paintings and graphics in the Mark Twain Home in Hannibal, Missouri.

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Nominations are now being accepted for the Tenth Annual Esquire/Business Committee for the Arts "Business in the Arts" Awards competition which will honor corporations for outstanding support programs for the fine and performing arts in calendar year 1975.

Over the past nine years, Esquire and the Business Committee for the Arts have honored 196 companies with awards, and recognized an additional 244 with Honorable Mention. This program salutes the company that is supporting the arts and by doing so, encourages all business to include support of the arts as part of their corporate commitment to the communities they serve.

Appropriate to our nation's Bicentenniai, this year's winners will be honored in early June in Washington, D.C., with the National Symphony Orchestra (Antal Dorati, Music Director and William L. Denton, Managing Director) acting as our official host.



We are pleased to announce the cooperation of the following distin-

guished arts and business leaders who have agreed to serve as judges in this year's competition: Barry Bingham, Sr.; J. Carter Brown; David Lloyd Kreeger; Myrna Loy; Stanley Marcus; Lloyd E. Rigler; Glynn Ross; Julius Rudel; Virginia Kilpatrick Shehee; Catherine Filene Shouse; Carl Spielvogel; and George Weissman.

All that is necessary to enter this year's competition is a letter of

nomination describing a company's arts activities and support programs. The letter should indicate the nature and extent of the company's assistance with regard to the impact or effect that its support has rendered the arts organization. Either the recipient or donor of business support may nominate a company for an award. Our judges would be interested in knowing if the support program is new and innovative to the company involved, or marks yet another plateau in a company's

long-term commitment to the concept of corporate support of the arts. All letters of nomination must include: (1) the corporation's full legal designation and the nature of its business (2) the name and title (chairman or president) of its chief executive officer and (3) the complete mailing address, including zip code.



March 15 is the deadline for submitting nominations.



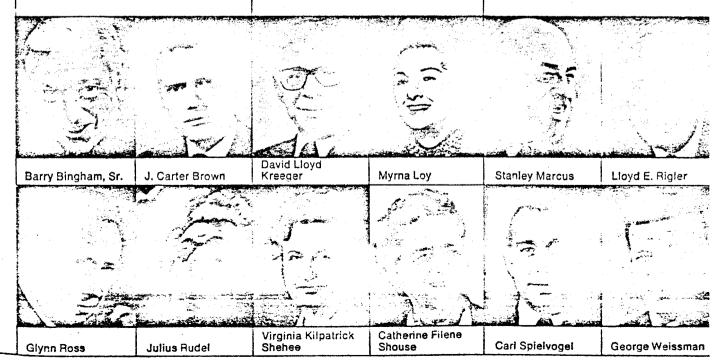
All entries as well as inquiries concerning the competition should be

sent to:

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Douglas J. Morrison,
Administrator
Esquire/BCA Business
in the Arts Awards
1700 Broadway, 5th Floor
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Please note that films, slides, tapes or any displays can not be reviewed by our judges as part of a nomination, and therefore can not be used in consideration of nominations.



ARNOID GINGRICK

The Tenth Annual Esquire/B.C.A.
Business in the Arts Awards Competition

s announced on pages 22
and 23, nominations are
now in order for the
Tenth Annual Esquire/
Business Committee for
the Arts Business in the Arts
Awards Competition. As in previous
years, twenty first-time awards will
be made, plus as many repeat or return awards to previous winners for
additional programs or activities
deemed outstanding enough by our
judges to command another acknowledgment.

In the past nine years, of the one hundred ninety-six companies that have won these awards, there have been a number of two- and three-time winners, and even several that have won four awards, though Joseph R. Schlitz Brewing Company of Milwaukee still maintains splendid isolation as the lone five-time winner.

With the awards for support of the arts in the calendar year 1975, we will have passed the two hundred mark in the number of companies winning awards, so it is sweetly fitting that the ceremonies honoring this year's winners should take place on June 10 at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, in the nation's capital and in the Bicentennial year, where the National Symphony Orchestra (Antal Dorati, music director, and William L. Denton, managing director) will act as our official host.

Since the deadline for nominations is March 15, all those who have any connection either with an arts organization that has received noteworthy corporate assistance and support, to the level of active involvement, or with a company that has become so involved during the course of the past year, are urged to write to Douglas J. Morrison, administrator, Esquire/B.C.A. Business in the Arts Awards, at 1700 Broadway, fifth floor, New York, New York 10019. No elaborate documentation is either required or desired; a simple letter of nomination, preferably held to a length of two pages, is enough to get a case history of corporate involvement in the arts headed for the consideration of our judges. Neither the arts organization nor the company need be one of the great "establishment" institutions serving one of the metropolitan areas. In fact, one of the things we're proudest of about this continuing competition is the fact that small companies are still crashing the charmed circle of winners, despite the growth of the contest since its first year. Last year's winners, honored in Philadelphia, included a company with fewer than ten employees, serving a crossroads hinterland community of under five hundred population. It's not the size but the degree and intensity of company involvement with an arts project that impresses the judges. Nor for that matter is financial support the only, or even the major, consideration.

Although financial support of the arts by the business community has risen some seven to eight fold since the time of the formation of the Business Committee for the Arts. just over nine years ago, the extent and the diversity of the involvement of business in arts projects has multiplied even more. The supportive activities in many instances have featured in-kind services such as the lend-lease of executive skills to remedy basic administrative and structural weaknesses of ailing arts organizations. Here again, the size of the arts organization or the company or the community is an infinitely variable factor, where the enlistment of company involvement is far more central to the arts organization's ongoing viability than the merely temporary palliative of a financial handout, Last year's winners, for instance, included a dramatic "rescue" of a threatened major symphony by one of the country's largest corporations.

Given the labor-intensive nature of arts activities and the still-mounting pressures of inflation, the core of the problem of supportive help to the arts is the ever-widening income gap. News of strikes and disastrous deficits still preempt a major portion of the news coverage on the cultural front, to the degree that it is hard to keep in mind how much worse it would be without the continuing support of business, government, the foundations and, last but still greatest, the private sector.

There is still an element of shock, to many otherwise well-informed people, in the B.C.A.'s disclosure of the difference (Continued on page 54)

rip us on the floor of Congress. And we'd rip them. But after the issue was resolved, you could reach them, talk to them over a martini. I've known Ford for years. I've never found a way to reach him, over a martini or anywhere else. I learned about all kinds of penance in the Catholic Church and I understand that Ford wants New York to do penance. Well, I never heard of a penance that simply said, Drop dead!" O'Brien laughed without mirth. "It's true that Jerry Ford is a decentseeming fellow. If he were your neighbor, not the President, you could like him."

I mentioned other politicians, Kennedy for his style, and Stevenson for

his eloquence.

O'Brien took off his eyeglasses and lit a cigarette and asked a question that answered itself. "Was it really better then or is it only that we've gotten older and we imagine that things were better?" Then he was off talking basketball with great enthusiasm.

The rulers of the National Basketball Association sought out O'Brien for commissioner last spring, even as McGovern had sought him in 1972. In neither case did O'Brien respond with quick enthusiasm. He liked basketball-principally the Boston Celtics-as a fan. He remembers Bob Cousy and Bill Sharman working their backcourt magic in the Boston Garden and he was, he says, the only basketball fan in the top levels of the Kennedy regime. "The other people went for baseball or football." When O'Brien took an apartment in New York in 1969, he bought a pair of season tickets to watch the Knickerbockers.

"I never thought of becoming the commissioner," he says. "After a few feelers I still didn't know if I wanted the job. I didn't want to sit in an armchair reminiscing either, but I had plenty of things going. So in the end, I could take this job without any preconditions. The owners have absolutely no hold on me."

In his first week, he had to rule on the George McGinnis affair. The Knickerbockers had signed McGinnis from the American Basketball Association, although under N.B.A. regulations McGinnis could negotiate only with Philadelphia. Apparently the theory of Michael Burke, the Knicks' president, was that everyone would recognize the need for a winning team in New York. To O'Brien, that was a converse to Jerry Ford-lovethe-Big-Apple crap. He confirmed his own powers, then informed the N.B.A. owners that he was overrul-Michael Rurke He remembers the response at the meeting. Deep silence. The owners had hired themselves a czar who would not only reign, but rule.

"Since I came in without having to make any deals," O'Brien said, "I'm free to redefine the role of a commissioner. As I see it, I have three obligations. The owners have put up the money for their franchises and they're entitled to a stable league. I'm going to work for that with television contracts and everything else. But I'm not working for the owners. I have an obligation to the players. The way the owners risk cash, the players risk their bodies. I've done a fast survey. The average salary of an N.B.A. player is one hundred ten thousand dollars a year. In hockey the figure is about seventy thousand, In football, it's in the forties, and in baseball it's somewhat lower. About sixty percent of the N.B.A. receipts now go to player salaries, so salaries can't go much higher. But there are other areas, notably pensions, where there can be improvement. Finally, my obligation is to the fans. This has been a balanced league, five different champions in the last five years. The fans are entitled to competition and courtesy and consideration. The fans are always the people who pick up the tab."

A chaos of litigation is under way and looming. The big one is a suit by the players' union to eliminate the N.B.A. draft; that is, the system through which teams pick college stars in reverse order of finish. For the fans, the draft has merit because it insures competition and prevents a rich team, like the Knicks, from chronically dominating, as the old Yankees dominated baseball. But for the players, the draft presents problems, particularly now when the rival American Basketball Association seems on the verge of folding. The players and their lawyers will lose much of their bargaining power when that happens, and the average annual \$110,000 salary will surely decline.

This is the stuff of appeals to the Supreme Court, which up to now has left the interplay of sport and antitrust laws slightly more confusing than it was before the Court was asked to make definitions. The Burger Court is rather less than a glory of liberal jurisprudence, but the players' lawyer says privately that he is going to pursue his suit as far as he has to, because he believes he can win.

O'Brien talks with him at least once a week. "The best thing," he says, "would be a settlement out of court. In antitrust law, you always have the rule of reason. I'm hoping that we can apply that to our neg tiations."

Sometimes I've thought of compoing an article on the failure of spoto keep ambulatory legends in the business. Why, I wonder, does football make a job for Paul H nung or baseball find work for DiMaggio, beyond playing outfield old-timers' games.

Larry O'Brien suggests a vartion on the theme. With the K nedys dead, Vietnam and Watergahe knows the taste of ashes, but belief in a two-party system persialong with his sense that the sociand the people in it can be m greater. Why, I wonder, does polilose a man like this? It is a pleas to welcome him to sport, but it also saddening to see all that enerenthusiasm, candor, practicality idealism confined to the world jump shots.

O'Brien in basketball and For the White House? If there is a (he has an irresponsible sense

humor. ##

Arnold Gingrich

(Continued from page 8) it we make if this element of support withdrawn and the arts were for onto a pay-as-you-go basis. O tickets, high as they are now, we be pushed up to forty dollars, phony to thirty, and ballet to two four, and museum admissions, held at least within the upper rees of nominal, would rise to a lex ten-fifty for general admission five-fifty for students.

Quite literally, we are being sidized to the point of welfare v ever we attend a performance o era or ballet, or a symphony cor as our tickets for admission-e in such unusual instances as dred-dollar-a-head benefits-gr more than from thirty to fifty cent of the way toward meeting the costs of the performance. had to create something like stamps or a form of hard-times the plight of the arts wou brought home to us more fo and we might feel more directly cerned with the need for incre their support.

But, bad as the situation s' and for many arts organiz across the country it is despebad, it is heartening that th tinuing interest and increasin ticipation in this annual Busir the Arts Awards Competition r a spreading awareness through the business community of the and importance of supportir

arts. #



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founding editor/ESQUIRE ARNOLD GINGRICH president/BCA GOLDWIN A. McLELLAN administrator DOUGLAS J. MORRISON

Dear Mrs. Howard:

Herewith is a listing of all "Business in the Arts" Awards winners who will be among the attendees for the June 10 reception at the White House with Mrs. Ford at 3 PM. It is my understanding that you will receive on Monday morning a fully integrated list from the National Symphony Orchestra which will include all the names herein listed as well as all National Symphony representatives.

Also enclosed is a booklet describing each company's Award-winning project and the representatives expected from each company. I thought this might be of some assistance in terms of briefing.

I look forward to the reception on next Thursday and am happy that we were able to comply with the information needed in the time frame allotted.

Sincerely.

Douglas J. Monrison

Mrs. Pat Howard Social Services The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C.

June 4, 1976

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

| SUBJECT: Instructions for Social Aides | |
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| EVENT: Reception - National Symphony | |
| Date/Time: June 10, 1976 (3:00) | No. of Guests: 225 |
| Uniform: Service Dress | Parking: North Grounds |
| In-Place Time for Aides: 2:00 pm | (Library) |
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| Duty Aide: Captain Walter L. Domina. U | SMC |

The following Social Aides will attend:

First Family Participation: Mrs. Ford

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| Event Reception |
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| Group National Symphony's 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Bus. Committee for |
| DATE/TIME the Arts Awards June 10, 1976 Contact Pat Howard Phone 2927 |
| Contact Pat Howard Phone 2927 |
| Number of guests: Total 225 Women x Men x Children (a few) |
| Place State Floor |
| Principals involved Mrs. Ford |
| Participation by Principal yes (Receiving line) yes (?) |
| Remarks requiredno |
| Background On the evening of June 9, 1976 and through midday of June 10, 1976 the Nat |
| Symphony Orchestra's Board of Directors and National Trustees will be he for the annual presentation of awards honoring corporations for outstanding support programs for the fine extrements and the performing arts in the calendar year of 1975. |
| Social: Guest list 'yes (Pat Howard will distribute list) |
| Invitations no Programs no Menus no |
| Refreshments yes (coffee, iced tea and tea pastries) |
| Entertainment no |
| Decorations/flowers yes |
| Music yes |
| Social Aides ves |
| Dress Business Suits - Short Dresses for the Ladies Coat checkif neede |
| Other (DRR) |
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| Photographers yes |
| TV Crews no |
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| Support: Microphones no PA Other Rooms no |
| Recording no |
| Lights no |
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| Parking South Grounds |
| Housing |
| Other (Risers, stage, platforms) |
| Project Co-ordinator Pat Howard Phone 2927 |
| Site diagrams should be attached if technical support is heavy. |

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 9, 1976

MRS. FORD:

Event:

Reception for the National Symphony's 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards

Date/Time:

June 10, 1976

3:00 p.m.

Place:

State Floor

Number of

Attendees:

Approximately 215 guests

Principals:

Mr. and Mrs. David Lloyd Kreeger

(Mr. - President of the National Symphony)

Mr. and Mrs. John Connor

(Mr. - Chairman, National Trustees of the National Symphony and Chairman of the Board of Allied Chemical

Corporation)

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Blinder

(Mr. - President of Esquire, Inc.)

Mr. Goldwin McLellan

(President, Business Committee for the Arts)

Schedule of

Events:

3:00 p.m.

Your guests will arrive through the Southeast Gate and will enter the White House through the Diplomatic Reception Room. They will be escorted to the State Dining Room where they will be

served refreshments.

NOTE: Coffee, iced tea and tea pastries

will be served.

3:05 p.m.

After your guests have arrived, Maria Downs will escort you via elevator to the Blue Room where you will receive your guests from a position along the

west wall.

-2- Reception for the National Symphony's 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards

The principals, Mr. and Mrs. Kreeger; Mr. and Mrs. Connor; Mr. and Mrs. Blinder; and Mr. McLellan, respectively, will be first through the receiving line.

3:40 p.m.

After the receiving line concludes, you may wish to join your guests for refreshments or you may wish to bid farewell and return to the Family Quarters.

NOTES:

Marine Corps String Ensemble will be positioned in the Grand Hall.

Social Aides will be present.

There will be full press coverage.

A White House photographer will be present.

Background items are attached.

Guest list is attached.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The National Symphony's Board of Directors and National Trustees are hosting the 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards. These awards honor corporations for their outstanding contributions to the fine and performing arts. The Business Committee for the Arts Awards winners total 41 and these awards will be presented during the morning on June 10, 1976. The National Symphony will make one award presentation on June 9, 1976 and that will be their National Corporate Award to Mobil Oil Corporation.

Pat Howard

For immediate release Tuesday, June 8, 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

Mrs. Ford will host a reception Thursday. June 10 at 3:00 P.M. on the State Floor in connection with the National Symphony's 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Business Committee for the Arts Awards.

Invited guests include the Board of Directors and National Trustees of the National Symphony, the Board and members of the Business Committee for the Arts and the Judges of the 10th Annual Awards.

The "Business in the Arts" Awards honor corporations for their contributions to the fine and performing arts.

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When started: In 1966 by Arnold Gingrich, then editor, now founding editor of Esquire Magazine.

- when joined by BCA? In 1968 shortly after its formation as a national organization of businessmen dedicated to the concept of corporate support for and involvement in the arts.
- Who heads BCA? Goldwin A. McLellan has been president since its formation; the current chairman, in his third year, is Robert W. Sarnoff.
- How many Awards are given? There are 20 first-time awards presented each year. The number is increased if a company outside the United States wins or if a previous winner wins for a second or more time. This year's competition has 20 first-time winners plus one foreign-based company and an additional 20 companies in the return award category.
- What are the actual Awards? For the 5th year, Esquire and the Business Committee for the Arts have commissioned a young Greek sculptor, Demetrios Mavroudis, to execute an original award sculpture. This year's piece is an elegant bronze sculpture in the Italian tradition and is intended for display on a chief executive officer's desk. The sculpture is constructed in such a way that it can be rotated to captu different light sources.
- How are winners chosen? Through an international competition always conducted through the pages of Esquire Magazine and national publications of the Business Committee for the Arts.
- Who can nominate? Anyone, but only business firms may receive Awards.
- How many nominations are usually received? This year nominations were received for companies based in 39 states and 4 foreign countries.
- How many companies have won before? As of this 10th competition, 179 companies have won one Award and 48 have won more than one. 264 companies have been recognized with honorable mention. In all, companies honored in the competition were located in 177 cities, 48 states and 6 cities in England, Canada, Japan and South Africa.
- Who selects the winners? Screening committees narrowed the field of nominations down to a manageable number that are sent to an independen panel of distinguished arts and business leaders. Judges for this year's competition were: Barry Bingham, Sr., J. Carter Brown, David Lloyd Kreeger, Myrna Loy, Stanley Marcus, Lloyd E. Rigler, Glynn Ross, Julius Rudel, The Hon. Virginia Kilpatrick Shehee, Catherine Filene Shouse, Carl Spielvogel and George Weissman.
- Are there other honors? This year 20 companies will receive honorable mention.

Winners of the 1975 "Business in the Arts" Award for outstanding contributions to the arts during the past year.

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Aluminum Company of America, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Amoco Oil Company, Chicago, Illinois Atlantic Richfield Company, Los Angeles, California CBS Inc., New York City The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., New York City CIBA-GEIGY Corporation, Ardsley, New York Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., New York City Corning Glass Works, Corning, New York Deere and Company, Moline, Illinois Exxon Corporation, New York City Ford Motor Company Fund, Dearborn, Michigan General Electric Company, Fairfield, Connecticut International Business Machines Corporation, Ardsley, New York Kirkpatrick Oil Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Mobil Oil Corporation, New York City The Prudential Insurance Company of America, Newark, New Jersey Reader's Digest Association, Pleasantville, New York Jos. Schlitz Brewing Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Sears, Roebuck and Company, Chicago, Illinois *Xerox Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut

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41 CORPORATIONS RECEIVED ANNUAL "BUSINESS IN THE ARTS" AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARTS IN 1975

Twelve Award-Winning Corporations in the Tenth Annual Competition Each Gave Over One-Million Dollars to the Arts in 1975

NEW YORK, NEW YORK, JUNE 10 -- A Japanese broadcasting company, a manufacturing company in East Walpole, Massachusetts, an insurance company in Long Grove, Illinois, and a furniture company in High Point, North Carolina, were among the winners in the Tenth Annual "Business in the Arts" Awards announced today by the competition's co-sponsors, Esquire Magazine and the Business Committee for the Arts. The Awards to the winning companies were made this morning at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. The Awards, given to corporations for outstanding support programs in the fine and performing arts in calendar year 1975, included 21 first-time winners and 20 companies that have won at least once previously. Twelve of this year's Award winning companies each gave over one-million dollars to the arts in 1975.

Since 1966, when the competition was created, 217 companies have received Awards and 264 have received Honorable Mention. The companies honored in the competition were located in 177 cities in 48 states, and 6 cities in England, Canada, Japan and South Africa.

In announcing the 1975 Awards, Esquire's Founding Editor, Arnold Gingrich, and BCA's President, Goldwin A. McLellan, noted that the diversity of the arts projects initiated or supported by the corporations is as remarkable as the growth in the volume of corporate financial support. Winning projects included assistance in the preparation of an economic impact study of the arts in a single city, support for an ambitious overseas tour for the Metropolitan Opera Company, support for the creation of a major new dance work, and a bicentennial music program that included distribution of music and adjunct educational materials to over 29,000 schools in all 50 states and in U.S. territories.

In 1975, eleven American award-winning companies contributed over one million dollars each in support of a wide range of arts projects and one foreign company, Chubu-Nippon Broadcasting Company, Nagoya, Japan, made a grant of over two million dollars to the Metropolitan Opera Company to enable 325 artists and auxiliary personnel from the Met to travel to Japan for a three-week visit performing three different operas a total of 18 times in three Japanese cities.

The following is a list of companies that won Awards for the first time:

... American Fletcher National Bank, Indianapolis, Ind., for its extensive support of and involvement in a broad range of community arts programs including sponsorship of guest artists for the Indianapolis Ballet Theatre and Indiana Repertory Theatre; a continuing series of exhibitions in its headquarters building, and assistance in the production of a guidebook on significant, local architectual sites.

- ...Bird & Son, Inc., East Walpole, Mass., for its outstanding efforts in the field of historic preservation including a matching grant distributed to 115 groups in 45 states and a grant to the National Trust for Historic Preservation for the production of a definitive film on historic preservation.
- ...Chubu-Nippon Broadcasting Company, Nagoya, Japan, for its grant of over \$2-million to the Metropolitan Opera Company enabling 325 artists and auxiliary personnel from the Met to travel to Japan for a 3-week visit performing 3 different operas a total of 18 times in 3 Japanese cities.
- ...Citibank, N.A., New York, N.Y., for its continuing involvement with the Roundabout Theatre Company, facilitating that theatre's acquisition and renovation of a former movie house into a vital arts center serving over 200,000 people in the Greater New York area annually. Citibank also initiated a consolidated corporate drive for the Roundabout for both capital and program support with a pace-setting grant.
- ranging efforts on behalf of cultural activities in the Greater Philadelphia area by surveying the needs of area cultural institutions, assistance in the preparation of an Economic Impact Study of the cultural industry there, and the production of a multi-screen slide presentation explaining the fine and performing arts life in the area.
- ...Gulf Oil Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa., for its significant underwriting of public television in 1975 including the National Geographic series and the production of two specials made available to all PBS stations for use in the 2nd Annual Fund-Raising campaign. Gulf provided massive promotional assistance through its advertising firms and distributors nationally.
- ...Kemper Insurance Companies, Long Grove, Ill., for its support of the Lyric Opera Company of Chicago, including plant improvements for the Opera House, complete maintenance of a warehouse storing scenery and the retention of a year-round wardrobe mistress for 40,000 pieces of opera costuming. Additionally, Kemper maintains a sizeable corporate art collection and offers the services of its art curator and free exhibition space to community groups.
- ...Lincoln Savings Bank, Brooklyn, N.Y., for major sponsorship of the 30th Anniversary celebration of the New York City Center, the 50th Anniversary Gala for Martha Graham, an international painting exhibit at the New York State Theatre, and the American Ballet Theatre. Lincoln also has initiated a series of youth programs introducing them to various art disciplines and continued its program of providing free gallery space in branch offices for over 100 exhibitions.

- ... Oscar Mayer & Company, Madison, Wisc., for its unsolicited challenge grant of \$250,000 from the Oscar Mayer Foundation towards the Civic Center of Madison helping to assure the success of that city's 40-year struggle for a center for the arts.
- ...McDonald's Corporation, Oak Brook, Ill., for its sponsorship of the Spring Festival at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts providing 35 different events spanning many musical forms -- all free to the public.
- The Raymond D. Nasher Company, Dallas, Tx., for the conception and implementation of a cultural program in its development, NorthPark (Shopping Center) in Dallas, including sponsorship of "Summertop" a music festival featuring the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, full subsidization of the Dallas Repertory Theatre, and "Woodscrap Sculpture", a continuing children's program.
- The Norlin Foundation, New York, N.Y., for the establishment of a \$250,000 endowment fund enabling 7-10 composers a year to spend a 4-10 week residency at the MacDowell Colony (New Hampshire) for the purpose of creating new music.
- ...J.C. Penney Company, Inc., New York, N.Y., for its Bicentennial Music Celebration program which provided music and adjunct educational materials to over 29,000 schools in all 50 states and U.S. territories and utilized 1,740 Penney Store managers in presenting the gifts at the local level.
- ...Phelps Dodge Corporation, New York, N.Y., for its support of the creation of a new work, <u>The Scarlet Letter</u>, by the Martha Graham Dance Company and sponsorship of the exhibition, "Sculpture: American Directions 1945-75," mounted by the National Collection of Fine Arts of the Smithsonian Institution.
- ...Public Service Company of New Mexico, Albuquerque, for continuing and expanded support of the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra, Santa Fe Opera and the June Music Festival in addition to underwriting special radio programming and special symphony appearances in remote communities throughout the state.
- ...S&C Electric Company, Chicago, Ill., for its efforts to broaden the base of corporate support to the Chicago Symphony through its 'businessmen's approach' advertising campaign on the symphony's behalf. Attendant publicity generated substantially increased corporate giving to the Chicago Symphony and has served as a basis for other American symphony orchestras' corporate solicitation campaigns.

- ...St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, St. Paul, Minn., for its efforts in the development of corporate support for the arts in the St. Paul and Ramsey County area through an "Arts and Culture Task Force," a Visual Arts competition, development of a "Corporate Culture Involvement" catalog encouraging corporate participation and purchase of arts services from local art institutions, and development of an employee participation program bringing the arts to residents at their place of work.
- ...Southeast Banking Corporation, Miami, Fla., for its continuing support of the Coconut Grove Arts Festival, Metropolitan Museum and Art Center of Miami, Lowe Art Museum and the Dade County Library's Artmobile program, as well as total underwriting of the Second Biennial International Graphics Exhibition and the continuing provision of free gallery space to local artists throughout its statewide network of banks.
- ...Southern Furniture Market Center, High Point, N.C., for the inclusion of a \$1-million performing arts center in the company's recent enlargement of its facilities, and the subsequent donation of the center to the city of High Point. The center contains a 1,000-seat theatre, art galleries, meeting rooms, convention space, and office space for various local arts organizations.
- ...E.R. Squibb & Sons, Inc., Princeton, N.J., for its extensive exhibition program in its world headquarters building gallery highlighted in 1975 by "American Paintings: A Gathering from Three Centuries" (the first exhibition resulting from the National Collection of Fine Arts' Bicentennial inventory of privately-owned paintings executed before 1914) and "Alaska: The Great Land" a photography exhibition originated and organized by Squibb for the National Parks Foundation.
- ... United States Steel Foundation, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., for its \$1-million commitment to the Carnegie Institute for operating expenses in addition to its continuing arts support programs throughout the country, including 16-years' sponsorship of the Three Rivers Arts Festival, a voice and instrument competition in Northwest Indiana, and co-sponsorship of the "Poetry on Buses" program in Pittsburgh.

The following companies received "Return" Awards, having won for the second time or more:

... Aluminum Company of America, Pittsburgh, Pa., its second award, the first in 1970, for The Alcoa Foundation's sponsorship of "Modern Masters: Manet to Matisse," an exhibition relating key differences in modern art which toured to Australia; and for its continuing sponsorship of programs and facilities of local arts organizations in communities where the company has plants.

- ... Amoco Oil Company, Chicago, Ill., its second Award, the first in 1971, for its sixth consecutive year of sponsorship of the American College Theater Festival, including significant personnel involvement at the local, regional and national level.
- Award, previous ones in 1970 and '74, for its sponsorship of The Adams Chronicles and Music From Aspen series for public television, and the exhibition "American Art: The Philadelphia Achievement" at the Philadelphia Museum of Art; and for the Atlantic Richfield Foundation's support of the Free Public Theatre Foundation, Los Angeles, and the Philadelphia Civic Ballet.
- ... CBS Inc., New York, N.Y., its second Award, the first in 1974, for its pace-setting grant to the National Corporate Fund for Dance and assistance in that organization's corporate fund drive. 40% of CBS' philanthropic budget went to the arts in 1975.
- ... The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., New York, N.Y., its second Award, the first in 1969, for broad expansion of its arts support programs total dollars given more than doubled between 1972 and 1975 allocating 40% to community and ethnic arts organizations and 60% for larger, more established arts insitutions; a special grant in 1975 was made to the Whitney Museum of American Art for the exhibition, "200 Years of American Sculpture."
- ...CIBA-GEIGY Corporation, Ardsley, N.Y., its third Award, previous ones in 1967 and '71, for its continuing sponsorship of touring exhibitions mounted from its corporate art collection, its 'noon-hour' employee programs on the arts, and its on-going program with the National Gallery of Art researching the ten most widely-used pigments throughout history and its financial support of arts councils and symphony orchestras in the five states where the company has operations.
- ... Consolidated Edison Company of New York, New York City, its third Award, previous ones in 1971 and '73, for its leadership role in the Learning to Read Through the Arts program, sponsorship of an arts seminar and production of a catalog on Hispanic Arts Resources, and for its continuing sponsorship of the Community Holiday Festival at Lincoln Center.
- ...Corning Glass Works, Corning, N.Y., its second Award, the first last year, for the allocation of 54% of the Corning Glass Work Foundation contributions budget to the arts in 1975, highlighted by the continuation of historic preservation of downtown Corning, the creation of a new art museum in Corning, temporarily housed in a corporate building, and start-to-finish company involvement in the new Corning Area Public Library.

- ... Deere and Company, Moline, Ill., its second award, the first in 1968, for its "Deere Plan" adaptation of the Affiliate Artist program whereby the local arts council is the designated presentor of the artist; the company sponsors the full cost of the first year of sponsorship, then gradually decreases support, which in turn is picked up by other businesses in the area.
- ones 1971-74 consecutively, for its sponsorship of Theatre in America, Dance in America and Music in America series for public television, continuing sponsorship of Lincoln Center Out-of-Doors and the presentation of "Live from Lincoln Center," continuation and expansion of its Affiliate Artist Conductor-in-Residence program, and sponsorship of the radio presentation of 39 taped performances of the New York Philharmonic.
- ... Ford Motor Company Fund, Dearborn, Michigan, its third Award, previous ones in 1969 and '73, for its continuing support of symphony orchestras in 28 cities, 11 art museums, 12 united fund for the arts drives, 2 performing arts centers, 2 theatres, 3 arts festivals, and 5 arts foundations, and for the sponsorship of "Living Legends in Black," a photography exhibition by J. Edward Bailey III and for its financial assistance for the preservation of the Old Mariners Church in Detroit.
- ...General Electric Company, Fairfield, Conn., its second Award, the first in 1972, for its Re-entry and Environmental Systems Division's innovative exchange program with the Philadelphia College of Art providing lecturers in GE's disciplines to pertinent disciplines in the arts; the college, in turn, will offer classes in the fine arts to industrial employees at their place of work.
- ...International Business Machines Corporation, Armonk, N.Y., its fifth Award, previous ones in 1966, '72, '73 and '74, for its sponsorship of the exhibitions, "The World of Franklin and Jefferson" and "America on Stage: 200 Years of the Performing Arts," and for its continued support of public television for the production of An Eames Celebration and The Tribal Eye, a seven-part series on tribal art.
- ...Kirkpatrick Oil Company, Oklahoma City, Okla., its second Award, the first last year, for its contribution of over \$3-million to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation for the creation of a Center for Science and Arts, and for its continued support of the symphony, art center, arts council, theatre center, planetarium, and ballet company of Oklahoma City as well as the provision of computerized accounting services to various arts organizations in Oklahoma City.

- ...Mobil Oil Corporation, New York City, its fifth Award, previous ones in 1968, '70, '71 and '74, for its continuing sponsorship of the annual "Twelve Days of Christmas" Festival at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts featuring 40 free events and for its generous contribution to the Whitney Museum of American Art enabling the Museum to remain open on Tuesday evenings free to the public.
- ...The Prudential Insurance Company of America, Newark, N.J., its second Award, the first in 1974, for its sponsorship of Sing America Sing, a cavalcade of song, dance and legend at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, including a souvenir program as well as underwriting for a taped presentation on PBS of the program. Prudential also maintains a significant continuing support program to community-level arts organizations through its various division offices.
- ...Reader's Digest Association, Pleasantville, N.Y., its second Award, the first in 1968, for its sponsorship of twelve Affiliate Artist Appointments in six different states since 1972 relating religious communities to the arts and providing arts experiences for audiences generally isolated from the cultural mainstream.
- ...Jos. Schlitz Brewing Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, its sixth Award, previous ones in 1966, '67,'68, '70 and '71, for the introduction of the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival in addition to its continuing sponsorship of the Newport Jazz Festival and Milwaukee Lake Front Festival.
- ...Sears, Roebuck and Company, Chicago, Illinois, its third Award, previous ones in 1968 and '72, for The Sears-Roebuck Foundation film, U.S. Art-The Gift of Ourselves, demonstrating the evolution of American Art, and for the Foundation's continuing and increased participation in the Affiliate Artist program throughout the country.
- ... Xerox Corporation, Stamford, Conn., its third Award, previous ones in 1969 and '70, for its sponsorship of the American Bicentennial Theatre a season of ten American plays, both old and new in cooperation with the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Xerox also commissioned six new American playwrights to write plays for possible production and expanded its participation in the Affiliate Artists program.

The following companies received Honorable Mention Citations:

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The Stieff Company, Baltimore, Maryland
United Airlines, Chicago, Illinois (Joint Entry)
Western Tours-Grayline, Seattle, Washington (Joint Entry)
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Award winners were selected by a jury consisting of distinguished arts and business leaders: Barry Bingham, Sr.; J. Carter Brown;
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NEWS RELEASE

The National Symphony Orchestra will give a special bicentennial concert honoring recipients of the 1975 "Business in the Arts" awards on Wednesday evening, June 9 at 8:30 PM in the Kennedy Center Concert Hall. Also scheduled to be honored will be the National Symphony's 1976 Corporate Award winner, its National Trustees, corporations and individuals who have contributed \$100 or more to the 1975 Annual Fund, and the drive's volunteer leaders and workers.

Morton Gould will serve as guest conductor, planist David Bar-Illan the soloist. Included on the program of symphonic favorities will be the Washington premiere of Mr. Gould's American Ballads, a six-part work commissioned by the New York State Council on the Arts and the U.S. Historical Society, and which is based on well-known American songs.

"Business in the Arts" awards are given annually to corporations who have made cutstanding contributions to the arts during the year. Twenty-seven were honored by the Business Committee for the Arts in co-sponsorship with Esquire Magazine last year. Winners are chosen by an independent panel of distinguished arts and business leaders. David Lloyd Kreeger, President of the Mational Symphony is a member of this year's panel as J. Carter Brown, Director of the National Callery of Art and Catherine Filene Shouse of Wolf Trap Farm Park. Award ceremonies are scheduled for Thursday, June 10..

Morton Gould has become a familiar name in American music for his versatility as a composer of works such as American Salute, Fall River Legend, Latin American Symphonette and Spirituals for Orchestra. He has made many radio, television, and film appearances during his more than forty year career.

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SYMPHONY NATIONAL TRUSTEES TO ATTEND WASHINGTON MEETINGS

Twelve prominent American men and women, National Trustees of the National Symphony Orchestra, will arrive in Washington on Wednesday, June 9 for two days of meetings during which time they will attend a special concert in their honor by the National Symphony Orchestra, a White House reception, and a performance by the Metropolitan Opera at Wolf Trap Farm Park.

The twelve are members of a forty-seven member national board, formed by the National Symphony's local Board of Directors in 1973 to help further support and interest in the National Symphony throughout the country. The Trustees gather in Washington semi-annually to hear reports and meet with the Symphony's local board.

Attending the meetings will be: Ivan Chermayeff, New York City, internationally-known graphics designer; Mrs. Elton Hyder, Jr., Chairman of the Van Cliburn
Foundation of Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Henry Kimelman, Virgin Islands and
Washington, whose husband is a real estate business executive; Dr. Richard Levy,
New Orleans, who gave the portraits of Beethoven and Haydn which hang in the
Kennedy Center Concert Hall; Mrs. Frank Paxton, Shawnee Mission Kansas, whose
husband is a lumber and building executive; Robert B. Semple, Wyandotte, Michigan,
Board Chairman of ASF Wyandotte Corp., and President of the Detroit Symphony
Orchestra; Hon. Karl R. Bendetsen, Washington, corporate head of Champion
International; Mrs. Preston Davis, Columbus, Ohio, widow of the publisher and
owner of American Education Press; Noel Levine, President of Hygine Industries
of New York; Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, New York City; Mrs. Forrest E.
Mars, Sr., The Plains, Virginia, who serves as the Trustees Vice President;
and John T. Connor, Morristown, New Jersey, Allied Chemical Board Chairman,
and Chairman of the National Trustees.

Leonard L. Silverstein, Vice Chairman of the National Symphony Executive Committee acts as the Board of Directors liasion.



PROGRAM

The Business Committee for the Arts:

- 1) Helps to organize local, statewide and regional conferences to bring the art and business communities into close and fruitful relations with one another.
- 2) Publishes two newsletters—BCA News and Arts Business—books, pamphlets and other printed materials designed to provide current information on all aspects of the emerging alliance of business and the arts.
- 3) Conducts a nationwide campaign in all media to generate public interest in and appreciation of the arts, as well as understanding of their economic and other problems.
- 4) Counsels corporations interested in arts-support programs.
- 5) Counsels arts organizations on more effective ways to enlist corporate involvement in and support of their activities.
- 6) Publicizes examples of corporate involvement in the arts through its sponsorship, with Esquire Magazine, of the annual "Business in the Arts" awards competition and through an intensive, on-going public relations program.
- 7) Speaks for business in cooperative endeavors with governmental and private agencies concerned with the arts.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE FOR THE ARTS, INC.



The BUSINESS COMMITTEE FOR THE ARTS, INC. is a private, tax-exempt, national organization of business leaders created to encourage business and industry to assume a greater share of responsibility for the support, growth and vitality of the arts.

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HISTORY

A committee to stimulate corporate support of and involvement in the arts was first proposed by the Rockefeller Panel Report. The Performing Arts—Problems and Prospects, published in 1965.

The following year, David Rockefeller, then President of The Chase Manhattan Bank, in a speech before the National Industrial Conference Board's 50th Anniversary Dinner, elaborated the proposal. Essentially, he suggested an organization that would bring the arts and business communities into close and fruitful relations with one another.

Businessmen in every part of the country responded enthusiastically to Mr. Rockefeller's proposal and, as a result, a small group of business leaders prepared the groundwork for an organization that would put it into effect.

On October 15, 1967 the formation of the Business Committee for the Arts was announced by its first Chairman, C. Douglas Dillon. The heads · of nearly 100 of the nation's largest corporations accepted Mr. Dillon's invitation to become members of the Committee. The first meeting was held in January, 1968. Gifts from John D. Rockefeller 3rd and David Rockefeller and grants from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Old Dominion Foundation, the Ford Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation provided adequate funding for a three-year period in which to demonstrate the value of its programs to American business and industry. Currently, funding is provided by the members of the Committee, who are selected by invitation from the industrial and business leaders of the nation.

OBJECTIVES

The Business Committee for the Arts was organized to:

- 1) Obtain and interpret research and statistical analysis pertaining to support of the arts for the information and use of the business community.
- 2) Provide expert counseling services for business firms interested in initiating programs pertinent to the arts or expanding existing ones.
- 3) Maintain a nationwide program of public information to keep corporations informed of existing opportunities for support of the arts and to apprise the artistic community of what corporations are doing in this field.
- Assist cultural organizations to increase their effectiveness in obtaining support from business and industry.
- 5) Encourage the active participation of businessmen in groups concerned with the advancement of the arts.
- 6) Help raise the level of corporate support of the arts through its programs of activity.



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R B (RECEPTION)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FORD WILL GIVE A RECEPTION AT THE WHITE HOUSE THURSDAY AFTERNOON IN CONNECTION WITH THE NATIONAL SYMPHONY'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE FOR THE ARTS AWARDS.

SHE HAS INVITED THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND NATIONAL TRUSTEES OF

THE NATIONAL SYMPHONY.

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