CODA Arts Leadership: New Directions Conference 2007 Itinerary

Admission is free to the general public.

*REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED for Rhodes students, faculty or staff.

Thursday 25 October 2007 (All Sessions in 051 Barret Library, Rhodes College)

<u>8-9:15am: Registration and Breakfast</u> CODA Fellows and Rhodes staff welcome conference attendees; Breakfast buffet in the 'Middle Ground'

9:15-9:30am: Welcome and Introduction

Tim Sharp, Director, Rhodes College Center for Outreach in the Arts; John Weeden, Assistant Director, Rhodes College Center for Outreach in the Arts

<u>9:30-10:00am: Session 1: Arts Community Partnerships</u> Presentation on how arts organizations impact communities through partnerships: Cathy Wilson, Director of Graduate Studies in Education, Memphis College of Art; Karleen Gardner, Curator of Education, Memphis Brooks Museum.

<u>10:00-10:30am: Session 2: Arts Leadership Education Nationwide</u> Presentation on how universities nationwide are engaging arts leadership: Silagh White, Director of ArtsLehigh, Lehigh University

10:45-11:45: Session 3: Creative Campuses and Community Impact

Panel discussion on how college campuses can make a difference in their city: Dr. Steven Tepper, Curb Center Vanderbilt University; Susan Schadt, President, ArtsMemphis; Ryan Fleur, President, Memphis Symphony Orchestra; Michael Ching, General and Artistic Director, Opera Memphis; Sanjit Sethi, Director of the MFA program at Memphis College of Art; CODA Fellows Andrew Whaley and Lauren Kennedy (both class of 2008).

<u>12noon-2:00pm: Lunch and Arts Groups Information Fair</u> Arts Information Fair and Lunch in Hyde Hall Local Arts Groups present information on events, opportunities and internships

1) Lantana Projects; 2) Voices of the South; 3) Memphis Media Co-op; 4) Opera Memphis; 5) Ballet Memphis; 6) Folk Alliance; 7) Recording Academy; 8) Heart of the Arts; 9) Memphis Symphony Orchestra; 10) ArtsMemphis; 11) Brooks Museum; 12) Playhouse on the Square

2:15-3:15pm: Session 4: Overview of the CODA Program

Presentation on CODA program history, motivation, impact and opportunities John Weeden, CODA Assistant Director and CODA Fellows Luke Branim, Crews Baggett, Andrew Whaley, Meghan Wilcox, Charlotte Ashford and Dan Frankel.

3:30-4:30pm: Session 5: Student Arts Advocacy

Presentation on specific advocacy activities students can control: Rebecca Borden, Manager of Professional Development, Americans for the Arts; Amy Fitterer, President, Student Advocates for the Arts, Columbia University.

4:45-5:45pm: Session 6: A Life in the Arts

Panel discussion on arts careers outlook and insight with local arts workers: Cookie Ewing, Artistic Director, McCoy Theatre; Jackie Nichols, Executive Director, Playhouse on the Square; David Lusk, Director, David Lusk Gallery (and Rhodes alumnus); Allison Smith, Director of Exhibitions, Gagosian Gallery; Anthony D. Lee, Artist; Jonathon Kirkscey, cellist, Memphis Symphony Orchestra.