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South Arts Awards \$44,756 to Alabama Arts Organizations

Atlanta, GA – South Arts announces a total of \$44,756 awarded to Alabama arts organizations for fiscal year 2011-12 in fee support to present touring artists. Through the Regional Touring program, the National Endowment for the Arts and the South Arts partner to offer nonprofit presenting organizations fee support to present artists from outside of their states. Touring support is awarded for theatre, music, opera, musical theatre, and dance projects that contain both a public performance and an educational component. Alabama grant recipients, programs funded, and amounts are:

- Alabama Dance Council, Brazz Dance Theater \$6,125
- Alabama Folklife Association, Drive By Truckers \$3,883
- Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame, Nick Colionne \$2,243
- Legacy 166, Kennedy Center Theater for Young Audiences on Tour \$3,533
- Mobile Museum of Art, Wood & Strings Theatre \$ 2,850
- Princess Theatre Center for the Performing Arts, Barter Theatre \$3,908
- University of Alabama-Birmingham, Project Bandaloop \$5,363

Blocked-Booked Tours

- Alabama Dance Council, Evidence, A Dance Company Block-Booked Tour, \$5,668
- Arts Association of East Alabama, Pilobolus Block-Booked Tour, \$5,854
- University of Alabama-Birmingham, Ailey II Block-Booked Tour, \$5,329

Presenting organizations from South Arts' nine-state region competed for a total of \$425,409 supporting 103 projects in Regional Touring funding.

About South Arts

South Arts, a non-profit regional arts organization founded in 1975, creates partnerships and collaborations; presents, promotes and produces Southern art and cultural programming; and advocates for the arts and arts education. Working in partnership with nine state art agencies- Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina,

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and Tennessee- South Arts builds on the South's unique heritage, and enhances the public value of the arts in our communities by promoting and supporting the arts in the South, enhancing the artistic excellence and professionalism of Southern arts organizations and artists, and serving the diverse population of the South. For more information, visit www.southarts.org.

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