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Art of the State: Pennsylvania 2006
Applications Now Available; Deadline March 20
June 10 – September 10, 2006

Harrisburg, PA – The 39th annual *Art of the State: Pennsylvania 2006* exhibition opens June 10, 2006 at The State Museum of Pennsylvania. This prestigious showcase for the talent, creativity and diversity of Pennsylvania's established and emerging artists is cosponsored by The State Museum of Pennsylvania and The Greater Harrisburg Arts Council.

Art of the State is a highly competitive, juried art exhibition open to state residents in five categories: painting, works on paper, photography, sculpture and craft, and juried by distinguished judges from around the Mid-Atlantic region. The Greater Harrisburg Arts Council annually presents cash awards totaling more than \$5,000, and The State Museum offers a \$2,000 Purchase Award. Applications are available by calling the Museum, 717-783-9904; the Greater Harrisburg Arts Council at 717-238-5180, or by going to The State Museum website, www.statemuseumpa.org, and downloading an application.

Jurors for 2006 are:

Painting and Works on Paper:

Susan Fisher Sterling
Chief Curator, Deputy Director for Art and Programs
National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington D.C.

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Three-dimensional, Craft and Sculpture:

Doris Noguera-Rogers
New Jersey Artist, Curator, Educator
Juror, PA Council on the Arts

Awards Juror:

Michael A. Tomor, Ph.D.
Executive Director
Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art

As in previous years, dates of the exhibition will cover the summer months, opening on Saturday, June 10 and closing on Sunday, September 10 to coincide with Harrisburg's Annual Gallery Walk.

The State Museum of Pennsylvania, located at 300 North Street, Harrisburg, is one of 25 historic sites and museums on the Pennsylvania Trail of History® administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. Individuals who need special assistance should call (717) 787-8778 or the Pennsylvania TDD relay service at (800) 654-5984. For more information on other exhibitions, events and programs at The State Museum, click on www.statemuseumpa.org.

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