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CENTER FOR ARTS-INSPIRED LEARNING AWARDED 2018 GOVERNOR’S AWARD FOR ARTS EDUCATION IN OHIO

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Center for Arts-Inspired Learning (CAL) has been named the 2018 Governor’s Awards for the Arts in Ohio winner for Arts Education. Presented annually by the Ohio Arts Council (OAC) and Ohio Citizens for the Arts (OCA), the arts education category recognizes significant contributions through leadership and creativity to advance arts education in Ohio’s schools and community organizations.

“The 2018 Governor’s Awards winners are true innovators and leaders in their communities. They exemplify Ohio’s creative and forward-thinking spirit,” said OAC Executive Director Donna S. Collins. “On behalf of the Ohio Arts Council, I congratulate this year’s group of individuals, organizations, and businesses on earning our state’s most prestigious artistic and cultural achievement.”

Since its beginning in 1971, the Governor’s Awards has recognized individuals and organizations who have been vital to the growth and development of Ohio’s cultural resources. The public is invited to submit nominations in seven awards categories and the Governor’s Awards Selection Committee, comprised of six OAC board members and three members selected by the OCA Foundation, reviews the statewide submissions and recommends the winners.

CAL Executive Director Marsha Dobrzynski said “Center for Arts-Inspired Learning was founded on the belief that all students deserve an education that includes the arts and our entire team works relentlessly to provide meaningful and creative learning experiences for Northeast Ohio youth. It is an honor to receive the Governor’s Award and I’m thrilled for our dedicated staff and teaching artist partners to have their efforts recognized at this level.”

CAL will receive its award at the 2018 Arts Day & Governor’s Awards for the Arts in Ohio luncheon and ceremony on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at noon at the Columbus Athenaeum in Columbus, OH. Award winners will receive an original work of art by Ohio artist Carol Stewart. Additional information on the Governor’s Awards is available at www.oac.ohio.gov/governorsawards.

The Center for Arts-Inspired Learning ignites student learning, creativity, and success through the arts. As one of the largest of 32 affiliates in the national Young Audiences Arts for Learning network, the Center for Arts-Inspired Learning works with more than 80 professional teaching artists to bring innovative, arts-integrated learning experiences to Northeast Ohio students in grades Pre-K-12. Reaching nearly 206,000 children annually, CAL’s arts education programs, workshops, and residencies close learning gaps, teach creative thinking and problem solving, and help students succeed in school, in their first jobs, and beyond. Learn more at www.arts-inspiredlearning.org

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