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### **Manitoba Arts & Culture Week**

We would really appreciate receiving copies of any media coverage that you notice (outside of Winnipeg) that refers to Manitoba Arts & Culture Week. Check to make sure that your community events are on the Arts & Culture website:

[www.mbartsculture.ca](http://www.mbartsculture.ca)

### **Best Arts & Cultural Reporting Award**

We received 19 submissions from community newspapers for this Mb Community Newspaper Association award that we sponsor annually. The award will be decided by 3 avid newspaper reader volunteers within our membership. The winners will be announced at the MCNA awards dinner in May.

### **Staff News**

As you already know Karen Wardle is leaving her position as our Visual Arts Program Coordinator after exactly 3 years. We are so sorry to see her go, but thank her for staying with us so long – I believe the longest in this position! Her last day is February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

We have hired Dana Kletke, who is one of the artists in our current touring exhibition "Crafting Contemporary Art"! She started with us today. So much more to come...

### **2007 Visual Artist Directory**

Check out our new directory with 12 artists who can deliver workshops and/or exhibitions for your visual arts programming at

[www.communityarts.mb.ca/visual\\_arts\\_program\\_directory.html](http://www.communityarts.mb.ca/visual_arts_program_directory.html)

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### **OTHER**

#### **2007 JUNO Nominations from Manitoba**

The 36<sup>th</sup> annual Juno Awards will take place on April 1 in Saskatoon. Four Manitoba artists have been nominated:

**The Duhks** – Roots & Traditional Album

**Wailin' Jennys** – Roots & Traditional Album

**Doc Walker** – Country Recording

**Starfield** – Contemporary Christian/Gospel Album

**Susan Aglukark** – Aboriginal Recording

For a complete list of nominees and winners for the 2007 JUNO Awards, please visit [www.junoawards.ca](http://www.junoawards.ca).

#### **Winnipeg Folk Festival's Young Performers Program**

The Winnipeg Folk Festival is looking for talented musicians aged 14 to 24 for its Young Performers Program.

**When:** July 5-6, 2007 (the first two days of the Winnipeg Folk Festival)

**Where:** In Winnipeg and at Birds Hill Park

**What it is:** An unforgettable musical experience!

One day of mentoring and workshops with professional musicians who will be performing at the Festival. The next day, the Young Performers themselves get to perform for a Festival audience.

**Info:** [www.winnipegfolkfestival.ca](http://www.winnipegfolkfestival.ca) or call 231-0096

That's it for now. Stay warm!

Lydia Giles

**Manitoba Arts Network**