New York City

Americans for the Arts National Arts Awards

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Ellsworth Kelly and Ronald Lauder



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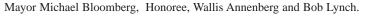
Marianne Lafiteau



Dana Hammond Stubgen and Dr. Patrick Stubgen

Jean Claude and Christo

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Yoko Ono and Nora Halpern

New Yorkers are culture crazy, so it was no surprise that The National Arts Awards for Americans for the Arts at Cipriani's 42nd street, the nation's leading nonprofit organizations for advancing the arts brought out illustrious philanthropists, politicos and artists. Mayors Bloomberg and Dinkins, the Annenbergs, Jo Carole and Ronald Lauder, Julie and Edward Minskoff, Yoko Ono, Felicia Taylor, Jeanne Claude and Christo, Larry Gagosian, Frank Stella, Kate Burton and Y & R actress and foster care advocate Victoria Rowell, LA philanthropist Eli Broad, and Jessye Norman were among those who came to honor Wallis Annenberg, Ellsworth Kelly, John Legend, Anna Deavere Smith, the Music Industry and NAMM, and the United States Conference of Mayors as they received special awards for their contribution to the arts.

Americans for the Arts promotes private and public support of the arts, including educating key decision makers. The non profit arts industry generates \$166.2 billion in economic activity every year resulting in \$29.6 billion in federal, state, and local tax revenues, and 5.7 million fulltime equivalent jobs.

Americans for the Arts, the nation's leading nonprofit organization for advancing the arts in America hosts the National Arts Awards - a celebration of national leadership in the arts. The National Arts honors individuals and corporations who enrich our country's cultural landscape through both magnificent artistry and philanthropic generosity that makes that artistry possible. With offices in Washington, DC, and New York City, it has a record of more than 45 years of service. Americans for the Arts is dedicated to representing and serving local communities and creating opportunities for every American to participate in and appreciate all forms of the arts.

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