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The 31st Annual Awards of the Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters (MIAL) were presented on June 5, 2010, at an evening banquet at the Mississippi Museum of Art in Jackson, Mississippi. William Ferris received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his life's work in the field of Southern Studies. A Special Achievement Award was presented for *The Passions of Walter Anderson: a Dramatic Celebration of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Artist*, a multimedia collaboration of Jimmyle Listenbee, Amanda Malloy, Kevin Malloy, Alex Mauney, Rhona Justice-Malloy, Jared Spears, and Michael Barnett.

Frederick Barthelme of Hattiesburg received the Fiction Award for his novel *Waveland*. Charles W. Eagles of Oxford accepted the Nonfiction Award for *The Price of Defiance: James Meredith and the Integration of Ole Miss*; and D.C. Berry of Oxford accepted the Poetry Award for *Hamlet Off Stage*. In the Visual Arts category, Charles Crossley of McComb won for *Charles Crossley: Textures, Shapes, and Forms of Spirits*. The Photography Award went to Michael Loyd Young of Missouri, Texas, for his book *Blues, Booze, and BBQ*.

In the Musical Composition Awards, Caroline Herring of Decatur, Georgia, won the Contemporary/Popular category for her CD *Golden Apples of the Sun*; and Shandy Phillips of Arlington, Massachusetts won the Classical/Concert category for "Sonata Number 2 for Violin and Piano."

MIAL President Mark Wiggs of Jackson presided at the Awards Ceremony, and Richard Howorth of Oxford, Mississippi, was the master of ceremonies. Each award winner received a monetary award and a Wolfe Bird, created by artist Elizabeth (Bebe) Wolfe of Wolfe Studio in Jackson, Mississippi.

Lemuria Bookstore in Jackson hosted an event the afternoon of the Awards Celebration that featured Caroline Herring, Michael Loyd Young, Charles Eagles,

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MIAL HONORS 2010 AWARD WINNERS



Award Winners:

Pictured (L-R): William Ferris, Caroline Herring, Charles Crossley, Michael Loyd Young, Shandy Phillips, Charles W. Eagles and D. C. Berry. Not pictured: Frederick Barthelme



Special Achievement Award:

Pictured (L-R): Amanda Malloy, Alex Mauney, Jimmyle Listenbee, Jared Spears, Rhona Justice-Malloy, and Kevin Malloy. Not pictured: Michael Barnett

1980	Literature.....Ellen Douglas Music.....Luigi Zaninelli Art.....Ed McGowin
1981	Literature.....Walker Percy Music.....James S. Sclater Art.....Ray Parrish
1982	Literature.....Ellen Gilchrist Music.....William Grant Still (posthumously) Art.....Valerie Jaudon
1983	Literature.....Ellen Douglas Music.....Patrick Houlihan Art.....George Wardlaw
1984	Literature.....Rebecca Hill Music.....Patrick Houlihan Art.....James L. Seawright, Jr.
1985	Literature.....Ellen Gilchrist Music.....Luigi Zaninelli Art.....William Dunlap
1986	Literature.....John Stone Music.....Samuel Jones Art.....Kenneth W. Marlow Photography.....Robert Townsend Jones, Jr. Special Writing Award.....Dorothy Abbott
1987	Literature.....Richard Ford Music.....David Caudill Visual Art.....Ke Francis Photography.....Birney Imes, III
1988	Literature.....Walker Percy Music.....Milton Babbitt Visual Art.....Zarah Maranian Photography.....Maude S. Clay Lifetime Achievement.....Eudora Welty
1989	Literature.....Larry Brown Music.....Paul Overstreet Visual Art.....Mildred Nungester Wolfe Photography.....Rita Dewitt Lifetime Achievement.....Walter Anderson (posthumously)
1990	Literature.....Rick Bass Music.....James S. Sclater Visual Art.....Randy Hayes Photography.....William Eggleston Special Achievement.....William Ferris Charles Reagan Wilson
1991	Literature.....Ellen Gilchrist Music.....Samuel Jones Visual Art.....Birney Imes, III
1992	Fiction.....Lewis Nordan Nonfiction.....Michael B. Ballard Visual Art.....Ron Dale Photography.....Maude S. Clay Music.....Luigi Zaninelli Career Achievement in the Performing Arts.....Jane Reid Petty

1993	Fiction.....Donna Tartt Nonfiction.....Chalmers Archer Clifton Taulbert Visual Art.....Jere H. Allen Photography.....Allen Frame
1994	Fiction.....Barry Hannah Nonfiction.....Willie Morris Visual Art.....Greely Myatt Photography.....Tom Rankin Music.....Douglas McConnell
1995	Fiction.....Beverly Lowry Nonfiction.....Mary Garrard Visual Art.....Sylvain Klaus Photography.....Birney Imes, III Music.....James S. Sclater Lifetime Achievement.....Franke and Bern Keating Citation of Merit.....ETV and Public Radio in Miss.
1996	Fiction.....Lewis Nordan Nonfiction.....David Herbert Donald Visual Art.....Charles Carraway Photography.....Milly Moorhead Music.....Laurence M. Oden Lifetime Achievement.....Lee and Pup McCarty
1997	Fiction.....Cynthia Shearer Nonfiction.....Stephen Ambrose Visual Art.....Valerie Jaudon Photography.....Marion Brown Music.....Mark Howell Poetry.....Paul Ruffin
1998	Fiction.....Wylene Dunbar Nonfiction.....Will D. Campbell Visual Art.....William Dunlap Photography.....Hubert F. Worley, Jr. Music.....Luigi Zaninelli Poetry.....Angela Ball Special Achievement.....Marion Barnwell
1999	Fiction.....Ellen Douglas Nonfiction.....Patti Carr Black Visual Art.....Jean Cappadonna-Nichols Photography.....Lucinda Devlin Music.....James Sclater Poetry.....John Stone
2000	Fiction.....Steve Yarbrough Nonfiction.....Edward Cohen Visual Art.....Paula Temple Photography.....Maude Schuyler Clay Music.....Luigi Zaninelli Poetry.....D.C. Berry Lifetime Achievement.....Leontyne Price Citation of Merit.....University Press of Mississippi
2001	Fiction.....Howard Bahr Nonfiction.....Jeff Durstewitz and Ruth Williams Visual Art.....Collier B. Parker Photography.....Eudora Welty Poetry.....Natasha Trethewey
2002	Fiction.....Barry Hannah Nonfiction.....Bobby DeLaughter Visual Art.....Sheila Stott Gourlay Photography.....John D. Lawrence Music.....Michael Kimber Poetry.....Brooks Haxton

2003	Fiction.....Brad Watson Nonfiction.....Minor Ferris Buchanan Visual Arts.....Gwendolyn Magee Photography.....Jack Kotz Music.....Samuel Jones James Sclater Poetry.....Natasha Trethewey Lifetime Achievement.....Mimi Garrard and James Seawright
2004	Fiction.....Tom Franklin Nonfiction.....Christopher Maurer Visual Arts.....Wyatt Waters Music.....Logan Skelton Poetry.....Ann Fisher-Wirth Lifetime Achievement.....Shelby Foote
2005	Fiction.....Margaret McMullan Nonfiction.....Timothy B. Smith Visual Arts.....Sam Gilliam Photography.....Gretchen Haien Music.....Justin Sharp Poetry.....Brooks Haxton
2006	Fiction.....Tom Bailey Nonfiction.....Suzanne Marrs Visual Arts.....Thomas Nawrocki Photography.....Robyn Moore Music.....Andrew Owen
2007	Fiction.....Richard Ford Nonfiction.....Jere Nash and Andy Taggart Music.....Samuel Jones Photography.....Debra Ferguson Poetry.....Natasha Trethewey Visual Arts.....William Dunlap Lifetime Achievement.....Morgan Freeman & Myrna Colley-Lee
2008	Fiction.....Margaret McMullan Music.....Albert Oppenheimer Nonfiction.....Joseph Crespino Photography.....Talbot Easton Selby Poetry.....Angela Ball Visual Arts.....Carlyle Wolfe Lifetime Achievement.....Ellen Douglas
2009	Fiction.....Howard Bahr Music (Classical).....Steve Rouse Music (Contemporary).....3 Doors Down Nonfiction.....Douglas A. Blackmon Photography.....Jane Rule Burdine Poetry.....Brooks Haxton Visual Arts.....H. C. (Chris) Porter Lifetime Achievement.....Marshall Bouldin III Elizabeth Spencer
2010	Fiction.....Frederick Barthelme Music (Classical).....Shandy Phillips Music (Contemporary).....Caroline Herring Nonfiction.....Charles W. Eagles Photography.....Michael Loyd Young Poetry.....D. C. Berry Visual Arts.....Charles Crossley Special Achievement .. <i>The Passions of Walter Anderson</i> , a creative collaboration Lifetime Achievement Award.....William Ferris

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MIAL members are encouraged to make nominations to honor the artistic achievements of living Mississippians (current residents or former ones with continuing, significant ties to the state). Judges will consider only work shown, published, or performed in **2010**. Members may nominate more than one individual in any category. One page of comments may be included in support of nomination. Nominations should include place and date of birth. Please make additional copies of this form if needed.

ONLY MIAL MEMBERS MAY NOMINATE.

Award Categories:

- **VISUAL ARTS** (painting, sculpture, drawing, print, graphic arts, etc.) Eligible are up to 15 pieces first publicly shown or published in 2010. Submit CD, slides, prints, or published work.
- **PHOTOGRAPHY** (color, black and white, combination) Eligible are up to 15 photographs first publicly shown or published in 2010. Submit CD, slides, prints, or published work.
- **FICTION** (novel, short story collection, etc.) Eligible is work first published in 2010. Submit author's name, publisher, title of publication, and date of publication.
- **NONFICTION** (any literature that is not fictional) Eligible is work first published in 2010. Submit author's name, publisher, title of publication, and date of publication.
- **POETRY** Eligible are up to 15 poems published individually for the first time in 2010, or a collection of at least 15 poems published in book form for the first time in 2010 (poems in the collection may have been first published earlier than 2010). Submit complete tear sheets or publication.
- **MUSIC COMPOSITION-CONCERT** (song, opera, composition, instrumental music, etc.) This award is for works first published or performed publicly in 2010. Submit evidence of initial performance or publication (book, CD, tape, score) in 2010.
- **MUSIC COMPOSITION-POPULAR** (blues, country music, jazz, rock, etc.) Submit published scores or the commercial recording first released in 2010.

DEADLINE: Nominations must be postmarked on or before January 15, 2011. Attach the artist's representative work (slides, photographs, CD's, books, etc.). Please mail the nomination to the appropriate address according to the awards category entered.

POETRY

Noel Polk
26 Lakes Blvd.
Starkville, MS 39501

MUSIC COMPOSITION - POPULAR

Mark Wiggs
917 Arlington St.
Jackson, MS 39202

VISUAL ARTS

George Bassi
% Lauren Rogers Museum of Art
565 N. Fifth Avenue
P. O. Box 1108
Laurel, MS 39441-1108

NONFICTION

Marion Barnwell
850 Fairview St.
Jackson, MS 39202

PHOTOGRAPHY

JoAnne Prichard Morris
801 Arlington St.
Jackson, MS 39202

MUSIC COMPOSITION - CONCERT

Martha Hitch
2027 Barry Cove
Oxford, MS 38655

FICTION

Dorothy Shawhan
217 South Leflore
Cleveland, MS 38732

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AWARD CATEGORY: _____ MEDIUM: _____

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NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

NOMINEE'S ADDRESS: _____

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NOMINEE'S DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: _____

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2011 AWARDS GALA
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
JUNE 4, 2011

Chairman Sandra Shellnut and her committee members, Courtney Blossman and Scott Naugle, are well underway in making plans for the 32nd Annual Awards Gala in Ocean Springs on **June 4, 2011**. Mark your calendars and look forward to another memorable evening as we celebrate the talent of Mississippi in a community known for its art.

Memorial

At the fall board meeting, MIAL board members honored longtime board member, Samuel William Long, who died July 31, 2010. Mr. Long had served on the MIAL board since 1996 and had been category chair, membership chair, and a two-term president. He will be sorely missed for his counsel, his enthusiasm, his knowledge of the arts, and his strong support for the mission of this organization. Will Long made an art of life.

—Mary McKenzie Thompson

Contributions received in memory of Will Long:

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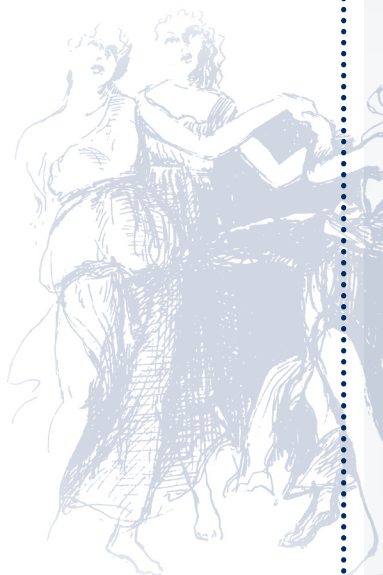
MIAL Board of Governors Meeting



Members of the MIAL Board of Governors attending a recent meeting at the MS Museum of Art in Jackson are: Pictured (1st row, L-R): Gwen Magee, Margaret Robbins, Leila Wynn, Ann Abadie, Bridget Pieschel, David Beckley, Jan Taylor; (2nd row, L-R): Marjorie Selvidge, Peggy Prenshaw, Mary Thompson, Dorothy Shawhan, and Marion Barnwell (3rd row, L-R): Donzell Lee, Aubrey Lucas, Mark Wiggs, Swan Yeager, Noel Polk, Scott Naugle, Peter Halverson, and Courtney Blossman.

Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters Endowment Fund Established

At the fall Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters Board of Governors meeting, Finance Chairman Aubrey Lucas proposed the establishment of an MIAL Endowment Fund. By establishing this endowment fund, the Board of Governors hopes to see the continued recognition of Mississippi artists, writers and musicians for generations to come. A committee consisting of Chairman Lucas, Treasurer Jan Taylor, and Mark Wiggs will oversee this Endowment Fund. The Board of Governors also voted that the first monies contributed to this endowment fund will be Memorial Contributions received in memory of long-time board member, Will Long. Chairman Lucas also encouraged members of the Board of Governors, as well as interested members of MIAL, to remember the MIAL Endowment Fund in our wills. For information on contributing to this fund, please send inquiries to MIAL, P. O. Box 2346, Jackson, Mississippi 39225-2346 or to margaret.robbs@att.net.



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and William Ferris, who performed, read, spoke, and signed their works. A two-time MIAL award winner, Angela Ball, also read from the works of her colleagues, Frederick Barthelme and D.C. Berry, at the event. Later in the afternoon the annual Membership Meeting of MIAL was held in the Community Room of the Mississippi Museum of Art.

Award Sponsors for 2010 were Ann and Dale Abadie, Poetry; Jack Kotz, Photography; Ella and Aubrey Lucas, Visual Arts; the family of Keith Dockery McLean, Musical Composition (Classical); *The Mississippi Quarterly*, Fiction; Nan and Mike Sanders, Musical Composition (Popular); and Leila Wynn, Nonfiction. The Gertrude C. Ford Foundation sponsored the poster of winners.

Among the founders of the Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters were Noel Polk, Aubrey Lucas, William Winter, Cora Norman, and Keith Dockery McLean. MIAL's juried competition is unique in Mississippi. All judges are chosen from outside the state and are prominent in their respective fields. Only members of MIAL may nominate candidates in the awards categories, but membership is open to all. To find out more about joining MIAL and supporting the arts in Mississippi, go to the Institute's website at www.ms-arts-letters.org.



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2010-2011 Officers elected at the annual Membership Meeting prior to the June 5 Awards Banquet are:

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MIAL Call for Nominations

Nominations are due January 15, 2011, for this year's awards. Members only are allowed to nominate individuals for awards. MIAL welcomes new members, and anyone may join. Please see the Membership and Nomination form in this newsletter or visit our website at www.ms-arts-letters.org. For more information contact Margaret Anne Robbins, Executive Secretary, 662-523-0899.

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