

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, the arts and humanities enhance the cultural life of individuals, families and communities across our state; and

Whereas, the arts and humanities engage us in civic life, improve our economy, stimulate tourism and influence the education of our children in profoundly positive ways; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Humanities Council is the state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities and promotes meaningful public engagement with history, literature, archaeology and other disciplines of the humanities; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Arts Council is the state agency for the support and development of the arts in Oklahoma, the state partner of the National Endowment for the Arts, and promotes access to the arts for all Oklahomans; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Humanities Council and the Oklahoma Arts Council have demonstrated a successful partnership to celebrate the cultural and historical riches of our state; and

Whereas, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by the White House, Congress, and thousands of arts and cultural organizations across the country;

Now, therefore, I, Brad Henry, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim October 2009, as

“Oklahoma Arts and Humanities Month”

in the State of Oklahoma, and call upon our citizens to celebrate the arts and humanities in our state and to participate in the rich, cultural opportunities they provide.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this ninth day of September, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and nine , and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred first year.

Brad Henry
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

M. Susan Lewis
SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR