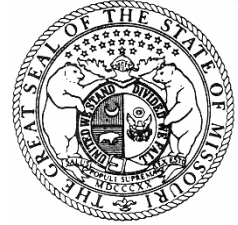


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## State Senator Maida Coleman Tapped for Special MAC Board

### *Missouri Arts Council Gains Valuable Trust Fund Trustee*

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Senator Maida Coleman, D-St. Louis, has earned appointment to the Missouri Arts Council Trust Fund Board of Trustees. Senate President Pro Tem Peter Kinder made the appointment after taking into consideration Coleman's legislative experience and her proven devotion to advancing the impact of the arts in the lives of all Missourians.

"I appreciate Senator Kinder's vote of confidence in my ability to well represent the Senate on this important and influential board," Coleman said. "I welcome the opportunity to help further the reach and mission of the Missouri Arts Council."

A state agency and division of the Department of Economic Development, the Missouri Arts Council (MAC) provides grants to nonprofit organizations to encourage and stimulate the growth, development and appreciation of the arts in Missouri. Through funds from the Missouri General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts, MAC provides grants to make possible quality arts programming to both large and small communities.

The MAC Trust Fund was established as a holding entity for grants, donations and other revenue. The trust fund's board of trustees makes funding allocation and investment decisions. Sen. Coleman serves on the bi-partisan, joint board of trustees with the state treasurer, a senate colleague, two Missouri House members and various MAC members.

"The Missouri Arts Council has long been a positive influence in teaching the culture and heritage of our great state through the fine arts," Coleman said. "It celebrates the contributions of artists from all walks of life and backgrounds and I'm proud to be associated with it."

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