



Agenda Item Number: 2009-2-11A

## BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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**Meeting Date:** February 12, 2008

**Department:** Commission **Staff Contact:** Robert Doucette, Jr., District 5  
Sherrri Olsen, 1% for Public Art Program Administrator

**TITLE:** Arts Board Appointments

**ACTION:** Motion to approve the appointment of Myrna Smyer representing District 5 to the Bernalillo County Arts Board.

**SUMMARY:**

Bernalillo County Code Chapter 18, Article II created the Arts Board. The Board is comprised of 10 members whose terms shall be for three years. The intent of this Board is to promote and encourage private and public programs to further the development of public awareness of and interest in the arts and cultural properties, to increase employment opportunities in the arts and to encourage the integration of art into the architecture of County structures.

Commissioner Michael Brasher, District 5, requests the appointment of Myrna Smyer who will serve a 3-year term ending February 12, 2011. Ms. Smyer in 1998 founded "ONCE UPON A THEATRE, a touring theatre company dedicated to improving the education of the children in our area. Ms. Smyer also taught for 21 years at Sandia Prep, where she created the drama program and Chaired the Fine Arts Department. She has also lectured, directed and taught theatre classes and workshops in many states. She served as New Mexico Arts Commissioner from 1999 through 2002. She's currently a member of the Mayor's Film, Digital Media and Theatre Advisory Board, Youth Theatre Directors' Forum and on the Board of Directors of the Albuquerque theatre Guild.

**ATTACHMENT:**

1. Resume
2. Roster