

Contact information for the Georgia Department of Economic Development, including the Commissioner, key staff, the board and the advisory board. The head of this state agency prepares and submits the Department's budget including that of the Georgia Council.

## **Georgia Department of Economic Development**

The Georgia Council for the Arts was relocated from the Governor's Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to the Georgia Department of Economic Development in 2011. This list includes the citizens of Georgia appointed by the Governor, those employed in the administrative offices, and those who serve on the Board or as Advisors to the Board. These are the individuals who plan the budget of the Department, advise the Governor on the GCA's funding and work with key legislative committees for approval.

Communications advocating for an increase or full restoration of state arts funding should be directed to Commissioner Chris Cummiskey or to Board Chair Charles Tarbutton. However, if you know members of the board or advisory board, a good word or a convincing argument in support of state support for the arts can help. The GCA budget is determined in the fall of each year according to the existing process and becomes an element of the budget the Governor submits to the General Assembly in January. Now is the time to advocate on behalf of the arts.

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