



# Association for Public Art

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## **Tyler School of Art Recognizes the Association for Public Art's Executive Director**

**Penny Balkin Bach, Executive Director of the Association for Public Art, will receive the inaugural Tyler Tribute Award this Saturday.** The award recognizes Bach's contributions to public art in Philadelphia, and is presented in conjunction with Tyler School of Art's Annual Student Exhibition. Bach will accept the award Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Tyler School of Art's new building located at 2001 N. 13th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19122. The award presentation begins at 6:00 pm.

As the Executive Director of the Association for Public Art (formerly the Fairmount Park Art Association), Bach has worked with artists, architects, civic leaders, city agencies, community groups and cultural organizations to commission, preserve, promote and interpret public art in Philadelphia. Bach's current activities include the exploration of innovative approaches to public art and its audiences, the creation of opportunities for newly commissioned work, advocacy for responsible stewardship of public art, and the promotion and interpretation of art in public places. She has written extensively about public art and the environment, including her book "Public Art in Philadelphia," published by Temple University Press. Bach is a BFA graduate of the Tyler School of Art and received her MA in Visual Communications and Social Organization from Goddard College and an honorary Fine Arts degree from the Moore College of Art & Design.

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