

2024 Distinguished Service Award Recipients

These individuals have demonstrated support and the advancement of art education.

Shelli Long



"Shelli Long's list of responsibilities is extensive. In addition to her everyday duties, she serves as the staff liaison for the MEA/MAEA Art Acquisitions Show...Shelli will often stay late, later than the committee to ensure all the show tags are printed and displayed so the show can be ready for visitors when it opens." - D'Andra Clark

"Shelli shines. She fulfills her professional responsibilities but goes beyond the job description to ensure a quality outcome for the judge, the artists, the art, and the committee members. She is an organized, efficient, caring people person with a well needed sense of humor. Shelli is a treasured asset in the MEA and MAEA family. She deserves a collective pat on the back in the form of this award." - Joellyn Ellis

Margaret Black



"Margaret's attention to detail, careful record keeping, tax and financial participation, and interpersonal relationships have been incredible. Margaret was the perfect fit for MAEA at the perfect time. We treasure the continued mentorship she has given the new people in her old positions and to E-Board members." - Annie Howard

"We worked together directly to manage the behind the scenes work for the MAEA. Margaret worked countless hours to make sure things ran smoothly. From registering members, managing payments and finances to communicating with conference teams she completed the job without help from others. She also was an integral part of the entrance to the MAEA conference by organizing, greeting, and checking in with each guest teacher who attended." - Jacquelyn Whiteley

