

## REPORT OF THE ABINGTON CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Abington Cultural Council operates under the authority of the Massachusetts Cultural Council whose mission is "to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences in order to improve the quality of life for all Massachusetts residents and to contribute to the economic vitality of all communities." The FY2008 allocation for Abington was \$5,450.

The funds are used to support events and festivals, enhance the fine arts in local schools and enable artists and other creative individuals to implement unique projects for the community and preserve historic town documents and landmarks.

The following received grants from the local council:

- Abington Art Association
- Abington Early Childhood Center
- Abington Summer Concerts Committee
- Center Elementary School
- Friends of the Abington Public Library
- Fuller Craft Museum
- Historical Society of Old Abington
- North Elementary School
- North River Collaborative Family Network
- Saint Bridget School
- St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee
- South Shore Art Center
- Woodsdale School P.T.O.

An open house was held to honor Abington resident Nancy Reid who for many years worked to promote the arts in Abington and assisted with many town causes.

Abington residents are encouraged to submit applications and residents are reminded that the guidelines require that all funding must be acknowledged with the following statement: "This program is supported, in part, by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, as administered by the Abington Cultural Council."

Respectfully submitted,

- Anne Smith, Chair
- Maxine Barry, Publicity
- Carolyn Bates, Secretary
- Matthew Delaney
- Helene DiCarlo
- Ellen Harris
- Kathleen Kelley
- Lucile Furlong, Treasurer
- Elizabeth Slinger