



Broward County is rolling out the red carpet for some very special guests this winter. From January 11-13 I will be extending a warm welcome, on behalf of the entire County Commission, to the board of directors of Americans for the Arts and the leaders of the United States Urban Arts Federation, the Arts Education Network, the Public Art Network and the Emerging Leaders Network.

During their visit, the Broward County Cultural Division will offer special tours to introduce these leaders to our cultural attractions. We welcome this opportunity to demonstrate the depth and breadth of our local cultural community and thank Americans for the Arts' Chair Steven Spiess and President Robert Lynch for choosing to hold the important national meeting of arts leaders here.

As 2007 begins, I am honored to have been chosen by my colleagues on the County Commission to serve as Mayor for the current year. I look forward to working with the Broward Cultural Council and the Cultural Division to develop new and creative ways to support the many diverse artists and cultural organizations in our community.

One final note: Congratulations to the Cultural Division on the 20th anniversary of *Cultural Quarterly*. This magazine represents us well – and we are always proud to share it with our residents and visitors alike. ★

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