

**NBC4 Veteran News Anchor Jim Vance  
to Appear at 2015 Arts Awards  
Fairfax Sculptor Jonathan Fisher Creates Custom Designs  
for Arts Awards.**



*Fairfax County, VA* – On Friday, October 30, 2015, the Arts Council of Fairfax County will present the 2015 Arts Awards to **Earle C. Williams** (Jinx Hazel Arts Award); **Rebecca Kamen** (Arts Achievement Award); **Vienna Jammers** (Emerging Arts Award); and **Richard Hausler** of Insight Property Group LLC (Arts Philanthropy Award).

Long-time news anchor Jim Vance, who may be most familiar to Washington area viewers as *News4 at 6* anchor and former *News4 at 11* anchor, will be the master of ceremonies at the 2015 Arts Awards.

Jim Vance, an award winning journalist and TV news anchor, joined the News4 team in 1969. He has co-anchored *News4 at 6* with his broadcast partner Doreen Gentzler for more than 25 years, and *News4 at 11* for more than 40 years providing special reports on a wide variety of issues. His reporting has taken him all over the United States and to countries including El Salvador, South Africa and Vietnam.

Vance has been honored by many national and local journalism organizations, including being inducted into the National Association of Black Journalists Hall of Fame and being named “Washingtonian of the Year.”

**“We are absolutely delighted to have long-time NBC4 news anchor Jim Vance appear at the Awards. For over 4 decades Vance has been using his journalistic art to empower and enlighten his viewers and we are excited to have him join the celebration,”** said Rich Goldberg, Arts Awards event Chair.



Each year, the Arts Council commissions a Fairfax County artist to create a work of art for the awards ceremony. Sculptor Jonathan Fisher was chosen to design custom awards for the 2015 Arts Awards. His miniature wooden “globes” are abstract interpretations of shapes and forms that occur in nature or the built environment.

Fisher, who lives in Great Falls, Virginia, is a 2009 recipient of the Arts Council's Strauss Artist Grant and has been building wooden sculptures since 1956. His art works have been displayed in major office buildings in Northern Virginia, as well as in solo exhibitions in Great Falls, Middleburg, and Reston. To see more of Fisher's artwork, visit the websites of the Washington Sculptors Group at [WashingtonSculptors.org](http://WashingtonSculptors.org) or Great Falls Studios at [GreatFallsStudios.com](http://GreatFallsStudios.com).

**“Jonathan Fisher’s sculptures are small abstract structures that, in microcosm, reflect the growth and dynamism that is Fairfax County. His work is perfect symbolism for the dynamic contributions made by this year’s awardees,”** said Linda S. Sullivan, President and CEO of the Arts Council of Fairfax County.

The 2015 Arts Awards will be held On October 30, 2015 at the Fairview Park Marriott, located at 3111 Fairview Park Drive, in Falls Church, Virginia 22042. To obtain more information or purchase tickets, visit <http://artsfairfax.org/artsawards>

**Who:** Four awardees announced; Earle C. Williams; Rebecca Kamen; the Vienna Jammers; and Richard Hausler

**What:** 2015 Arts Awards

**When:** October 30, 2015, from noon to 2:00pm

**Where:** Fairview Park Marriott, 3111 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church, VA 22042

**Why:** To celebrate outstanding achievements, leadership, and support to the arts in Fairfax County.

**Tables and individual tickets to the event can be purchased by visiting our website at <http://artsfairfax.org/artsawards> or contacting Janay Turner, Business Manager, of the Arts Council of Fairfax County, at [artsawards@artsfairfax.org](mailto:artsawards@artsfairfax.org) or (703) 642-0862 x2.**

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Sculptor Jonathan Fisher designed the artwork for the 2015 Arts Awards.

*NOTE: High resolution photos are available upon request.*

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### About the Arts Council of Fairfax County

Founded in 1964, the Arts Council of Fairfax County, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization designated as Fairfax County's local arts agency. It is the only umbrella organization serving and representing all forms of art in Fairfax County. The Arts Council of Fairfax County is the voice of the arts, dedicated to fostering dynamic and diverse local arts, ensuring that arts thrive by providing vision, leadership, capacity building services, advocacy, funding, education, and information.

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