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## Grand Canyon News Release

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### **Artist in Residence Program Initiated on the South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park**

**Grand Canyon, Ariz.** - The National Park Service announces the opportunity for participation in the Artist in Residence program on the South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park during the winter of 2007/2008. The Artist in Residence program offers professional artists (writers, composers, visual and performing artists) the opportunity to live and work for three weeks on the South Rim of Grand Canyon. Three residencies are available in November 2007 and January and February 2008. Exact dates will be determined after discussion with the selected individuals.

The broad vistas and overwhelming landscapes of the American West have inspired generations of artists. Their idyllic paintings, rough and tumble novels, sepia prints, and soaring musical scores prompted politicians to establish the national parks as an enduring heritage. A new generation of artists communicates with contemporary techniques and bold new mediums. These artists help frame our invaluable national heritage in enduring words and images for those who visit now, those who will come later, and for those who will know the parks only in this artistic legacy.

The willingness to share the participants' inspiration with others is a central tenet of the Artist-in-Residence Program. The resident artist will present public programs during the residency. These presentations will be based on the artist's work, experiences, and interests. The participating artist will also donate to the park an original work representative of his or her medium which embodies the values of Grand Canyon's interpretive themes.

The National Park Service provides housing and a stipend during the artist's stay. The program is funded, in part, by the Grand Canyon Association. More details and an application form are available on the

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park's website <http://www.nps.gov/grca/supportyourpark/07-08air.htm>. Applications must be postmarked by September 15, 2007. For additional information please contact Judy Bryan, Chief of Interpretation at 928-638-7760.

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