

Note to state arts agencies from Judilee Reed, Executive Director, LINC
(Leveraging Investments in Creativity)

LINC's work was featured during three NASAA sessions at Assembly 2008:

- Creative Communities briefing session
- Artist Space Development briefing session
- Helping Artists Find and Keep Health Care workshop

Here I highlight information and free materials available through LINC's website, lincnet.net.

Newly re-launched, lincnet.net contains descriptions of our **Creative Communities** program and our local partners' work, as well as helpful tools and information resources related to **artist space** projects and **health insurance and health care** options for artists.

Please reach out to us to request free copies of research publications and other materials, and to provide us with feedback. We look forward to hearing from you! In the meantime, here are some ways to stay informed and get involved.

Artist Health Insurance and Health Care

During the quiet afternoon of the last day of the conference, Jim Brown from the Actors Fund and LINC previewed some of its new **National Artist Health Insurance Initiative** resources designed to help organizations connect the artists they serve with affordable health care and health insurance options.

Please visit the [Health Insurance for Artists](#) section of LINC's website to learn more about developing affordable health care guides for your constituents; setting up local workshops in your community; and connecting artists to health care resources through the Access to Health Insurance/Resources for Care database ([AHIRC](#)), which contains more than 6,000 links to health care and insurance resources. Provided by the Actors Fund for America, one of LINC's major partners, AHIRC is a service of the Actors Fund's [Health Insurance Resource Center](#).

In coming months, LINC will also be offering **free** postcards, brochures, drop-in ads, and other PSAs to state arts agencies for distribution to constituents. These tools, designed primarily to connect artists with AHIRC, will be accessible through LINC's website and in hard copy format upon request. Please contact Robert Carabay at rob@lincnet.net for more information about this program.