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Dear Mr. Rosen:

Your letter requesting information on state awards to resident artists has been forwarded from the Governor's Office to me, and I apologize that you have not received a response from someone in Texas earlier.

The Texas Legislature selects both a State Artist and a Poet Laureate each biennium. The Poet Laureate this year was selected from open nominations by a Committee of the Legislature, and the guidelines for selection of the State Artist are currently being discussed.

Beyond that, the Texas Commission on the Arts and the Texas Arts Alliance co-sponsor the biennial Texas Arts Awards for Distinguished Contributions to the Arts. Artists are eligible to receive awards in two of eight categories, Creativity and Professional Artist.

Should you wish any further information on either of these awards, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Sandra Gregor
Information Coordinator

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