

## Roland Park artist to be honored nationally

*Mary Ann Mears to receive Distinguished Service award*

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Artist Mary Ann Mears, of Roland Park, will receive one of eight 2009 Distinguished Service to the Arts awards from the National Governors Association next week.

Mears, a former member of the Maryland State Arts Council and founder and Chair Emeritus of the Arts Education in Maryland Schools Alliance, is also an advocate for quality arts education in Maryland public schools.

Nominated by Gov. Martin O'Malley, Mears will be honored at the association's annual meeting in Biloxi, Miss. She will be the first Marylander to receive the award.

The awards, established in 1980, recognize contributions that improve quality of life and bring distinction to a state.

Ellen Kullman, chief executive officer of DuPont, has been named 2009 Business Leader of the Year Award by Loyola College.

Kullman will be honored at the annual Sellinger School of Business and Management award dinner Nov. 19 at the Renaissance Harborplace Hotel.

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