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**2008 Diamond Award Winners Announced**  
**Awards Presented January 29, 2009 at the**  
**New Redwood Shores Library**

Belmont, CA-Each year the Diamond Awards are presented to give recognition to individuals and organizations for their artistic achievements and contributions to the arts in San Mateo County. Awards are given in nine categories. On January 29, the 2008 Diamond Awards will be presented to **Taylor Mallory** (Ray Lorenzato Young Artist Award), **David Martin** (Arts Educator), **Studio S Broadway Academy of Dance** (Arts Organization), **Mitchell Sardou Klein** (Individual Artist), **Lynne Flodin** (Arts Volunteer), **Arabella Decker** (Donor Support), **John Anagnostou & Fox Theatres** (Local Business Support), **The Redwood City Redevelopment Agency** (Government Support), and two awards for Special Recognition will be presented to **Regina and Brad Lewis** of San Carlos and **Ruth Waters** of Redwood Shores.

The 7th Annual Diamond Awards will be held from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday evening, January 29 at the beautiful new **Redwood Shores Library**, Community Room at 399 Marine Parkway in Redwood City. Get [Directions to The Redwood Shores Library \(via Google Maps\)](#)

The public is welcome to attend the full evening of events including a reception, silent auction and presentation of Diamond Awards. There is no cost to attend. Please call the Peninsula Arts Council to RSVP at (650) 591-2101 as space is limited.

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Restaurant, Bach Dancing & Dynamite Society, Hiller Aviation, San Carlos Children's Theatre, Theatre Works, Kepler's, Marriott San Mateo, Wax Museum, The Fish Market, Music at Kohl Mansion, See's Candies, Cyn Stern, Carole Fulmer, Beate Amler, San Mateo County Convention & Visitors Bureau - As Fresh As it Gets," , The San Mateo County Film Commission, Little Fox Theatre, New Kapakokia, Jigsaw Java, Inc;, Vinyl Room, Darlene Hampton, Doris Stirm, Lisa Huffman-Chapin Court Salon.

The Peninsula Arts Council is located at the Twin Pines Art Center in Belmont. It is a non-profit organization serving San Mateo County to enhance opportunities for arts experiences and artistic expression for all ages, promotes resource sharing and collaboration, and advocates for the arts through activities, a Web site and cultural calendar, and a regular schedule of exhibitions in three gallery spaces and special events.

The Peninsula Arts Council provides a vital link between local arts organizations and the San Mateo County Arts Commission, and the California Arts Council.

We look forward to seeing you at the Diamond Awards!

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