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#### ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

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# GLOBAL ARTS SOCIETY CORPORATION

**ARTICLE 1:** 

NAME

The name of this Corporation is GLOBAL ARTS SOCIETY. CORPORATION

NO6000000542

ARTICLE II:

**STATUS** 

The Corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the General Non-profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida and is a Corporation not for profit. The Articles of Incorporation are hereby amended to reflect the specific purposes of the corporation and to comply with the regulations of the Internal Revenue Code, Section 501©, et. seq.

**ARTICLE III: PRINCIPAL OFFICE** 

The principal office for the transaction of business of this Corporation is to be located at 2511 E. Third Street, Panama City, Bay County, Florida 32401.

**ARTICLE V:** 

**DURATION** 

The duration of this Corporation shall be perpetual.

**ARTICLE VI:** 

**PURPOSES** 

This corporation is formed for purposes which are exclusively charitable, educational and scientific, as further spelled out below:

# A The specific and primary purposes are:

- (1) To provide artistic outlets to underserved communities and artistic vision to underserved causes, thereby making the arts accessible to everyone, regardless of race, religion or socioeconomic status.
- (2) To raise the level of awareness amongst residents and non-residents in areas of cultural history, racial diversity, positive community activities, partnerships, and to build bridges of cooperation amongst the citizens of the community.
- (3) To engage diverse audiences producing bold and life affirming work base on creative expressions, which join cultures and communities through movement, while validating the voice of individuals, promoting physical, mental and emotional health through the arts.

- (4) To raise the economic, educational and social levels of the residents of the community, including members of the minority communities who are substantially unemployed, underemployed or whose income is below federal poverty guidelines, to foster and promote community-wide interest and concern for the arts as a means of addressing the social and educational problems of said residents to the end that (a) educational and economic opportunities may be expanded, (b) sickness, poverty, crime and environmental degradation may be lessened, (c) racial tensions, prejudice, discrimination, and economic inequities may otherwise be eliminated, (d) and living conditions may be improved.
- (5) To mentor youth and develop educational programs which will reduce illiteracy, improve the likelihood of graduation, and reduce the dropout rate for children who reside in or have ties—to the subject areas outlined above.
- (6) To develop and implement programs which will reduce juvenile crime and delinquency while encouraging positive self-esteem and community enhancement, including hosting events, seminars, workshops, musical programs, sport competitions and other activities designed to improve the living conditions of residents and the community as a whole.
- (7) To develop programs which will encourage area residents to improve their personal health—through preventive checkups, health fairs, workshop information and such other appropriate methods.
- (8) To aid, support and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual and no substantial part of the organization's activities shall be for the purpose of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
- (9) To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attaining of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly, and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others; whether persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, departments or governmental entities or municipalities.
- B. In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing charitable, educational and scientific purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:
- (1) To solicit, collect and receive money and other assets, and to administer funds and contributions, received by grant, gift, deed, bequest or devise, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights and services of every kind and description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell or otherwise dispose of any money, securities, property rights or services so

acquired for the purposes above mentioned.

- (2) To borrow money, and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations, for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired or for any of the purposes of the corporation, and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed, indenture agreement of other instruments of trust or by other lien upon assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights or privileges of the corporation.
- (3) To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, notes, debentures, shares or preferred and common stock, and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, and property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the corporation's Board of Directors shall deem advisable and as may be permitted by law.
- (4)To provide advice, support, credit, funds, capital, gifts, and all other lawful forms of assistance, financial and otherwise, to or for use in business enterprises owned, or destined to be owned by said residents or groups.
- (5)To furnish management, administrative and other business advice, support, training and technical assistance to said residents and groups in order to enable them to develop necessary skills to successfully improve the quality of their lives.
- (6)To encourage and voluntarily assist said residents and groups to organize, create, acquire, obtain financing, own, manage and operate business enterprises through workshops and information dissemination.
- (7)To obtain information and conduct research, studies and analyses of the problems of said community, and prepare and publish reports, as to any and all matters that may be of use in furthering the purpose of this Corporation, including information, research, studies, analyses and reports as to markets, products, services, skills, sources of financing and any and all other matters.
- (8)To conduct educational and other efforts to eliminate prejudice and discrimination in the business, housing and financial communities and to foster the establishment of sound and constructive relationships between the local governments, business, religious, education and financial communities and said residents and groups seeking to improve their environment.
- (9)To aid, support and assist by gifts, contributions, loans, investments and other lawful forms of assistance to other persons or organizations where such assistance will further the primary purposes of this Corporation.
- (10)To conduct educational activities designed to provide instruction or training of said residents and groups for the purpose of improving or developing their capabilities, language and job skills, and the instruction of the public on subjects useful to said residents and groups and beneficial to the community's overall improvement.

(11)To mentor youth to remain in school, to serve as positive role models, to prepare and encourage young people to pursue higher education, professional and technical careers and to contribute positively to their communities.

(12)To engage in the activity of operating business ventures for the purposes of fostering the arts through strategic programming and activities which will provide residency arts programs, professional development for artists, teachers and students, creative development for artists, and public performances that broaden the cultural perspective of audience members and participants for the charitable purpose of furthering the improvement and restoration of the within communities.

(13)To engage in any and all other activities which will directly or indirectly improve the cultural, educational, and economic conditions of said residents and groups.

(14)To exercise all other rights and powers conferred upon corporations formed under the General Nonprofit Corporation laws of the State of Florida, provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers, including those specifically mentioned herein, that are not in furtherance of the specific and primarily charitable, educational and scientific purposes of the Corporation.

C. All of the foregoing purposes and powers shall be exercised exclusively for the charitable and educational purposes in such manner that the Corporation shall qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as the same may be amended from time to time.

### ARTICLE VI: RESTRICTIONS

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as the same may be amended from time to time.

## ARTICLE VII: INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of the subscribers of this corporation and initial Board of Directors who shall serve until the election of their successors are:

Daveron Rosier-Critten, President

1305 Wisconsin Avenue

Panama City, Florida 32405

Destiny Young, Vice-President

1204 Parker Drive

Panama City, Florida 32401

Karin Robinson, Treasurer

902 Joan Lane,

Panama City, Fla. 32404

Miriam Williams, Secretary 924 Florida Avenue, Unit 60

Panama City, Fla. 32401

The manner in which Directors shall be chosen and removed from office, their qualifications, powers, duties, compensation, if any, tenure of office, the manner of filling vacancies on the Board, and the manner of calling and holding meetings of the Board of Directors shall be as stated in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

#### A. Members

The authorized number, if any, and qualifications of members of the Corporation, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of members and their liabilities for dues and assessments and the method of collection, and the termination and transfer of membership, shall be as set forth in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VIII: CORPORATE MANAGEMENT

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by the officers of the Board of Directors who shall be elected at the first general meeting. They shall thereafter serve in this capacity until their successors are qualified and elected as spelled out in the corporate Bylaws.

## ARTICLE IX: REGISTERED AGENT

The initial Registered Agent of this Corporation and her business address is: Destiny Young, 2511 E. Third Street, Panama City, Florida 32401.

# ARTICLE X: NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

The Corporation is formed solely for charitable, educational and scientific purposes. The corporation is not organized, nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit, and it will not distribute any gains, profits, or dividends to the directors, officers or members thereof, or to any individual, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation in order to implement its specific and primary purposes to such employees or consultants. The property, assets, profits, and net income of the Corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable, educational and scientific purposes and no part of the profit or net income of

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the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual.

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# ARTICLE XI: WINDING UP AND DISSOLUTION

Upon winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment or provision for payment of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed to an organization and used exclusively to accomplish the primary purposes for which the Corporation is organized. If the Corporation holds any assets in trust, those assets shall be disposed of in such manner as may be directed by the decree of the Circuit Court of the county in which the Corporation's principal office is located, upon petition by the Attorney General, or by any person concerned about the liquidation in a proceeding to which the Attorney General is a party.

# ARTICLE XII: ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

These Articles may be amended, subject to the Florida statutes, so long as such amendments are made in writing and filed with the Secretary of State, Division of Corporations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned, being named above as the Directors, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this <u>5</u> day of March 2014.

Daveron Rosier-Critten

President

Miriam Williams, Secretary

Dest ny Young

Karin Robinson, Treasurer

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# **Certificate of Registered Agent**

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I, Destiny Young, hereby agree to serve in the capacity of Registered Agent of the Global Arts Society, Inc. and further affirm that I am duly qualified and will comply with all requirements as contained in the Florida General Corporation laws.

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Registered Agent

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Date