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**UrbanArt Commission Announces Call for Public Art
as Part of New Park in Cordova**

Memphis, TN – The UrbanArt Commission (UAC) is seeking an artist to create a fun and unique public art enhancement for Countrywood Park, soon to be renamed Fletcher Creek Park. The neighborhood, at one point farmland, trees, and cotton fields, will be home to a beautiful 18 acre park housing a picnic meadow, walking trails, and Fletcher Creek running behind it. The top three residential priorities for the installation are for aspects that will promote community interaction, bringing people of all ages together, that will link with the environment, and that have an innovative educational aspect.

The budget for this artwork is \$50,000, and includes the artist's design fee, fabrication, installation, and all costs associated with the creation of the artwork, including travel if a non-local artist is selected. This project is open to artists who live in the tri-state area, which includes Tennessee, Arkansas, and Mississippi. A workshop will be held at the UrbanArt Commission office at 8 S. Third St., Suite 100 at 5:30 PM, Monday, April 7, and is open to all artists who wish to learn more about the project and its guidelines.

Application guidelines are available from the UAC and at www.urbanartcommission.org, and artists are encouraged to call the UAC with any questions regarding this project or the selection process. All proposals must be received by 4:00 PM on Wednesday, May 7, 2008.

The UAC was established in 1997 through the collaborative efforts of the Memphis Arts Council and the Shelby County Government. The mission of the UrbanArt Commission is to create a dynamic, vibrant, nurturing community through art and design. The UAC is funded in part by the City of Memphis, Greater Memphis Arts Council, Tennessee Arts Commission and the Hyde Foundation.