

Engaging communities through  
international arts partnerships



## Mission and Programs

**CEC ArtsLink** is an international arts organization, whose programs encourage and support exchange among visual and performing artists and cultural managers in the United States and abroad. We believe that the arts are a society's most deliberate and complex means of communication, and that the work of artists and arts administrators can help nations overcome long histories of reciprocal distrust, insularity and conflict.

With solid expertise and lasting partnerships in 32 countries, CEC ArtsLink promotes communication and understanding through collaborative, innovative projects for mutual benefit. CEC was founded in 1962 to enable citizens of the United States and the Soviet Union to accomplish what their governments would not do – open doors, share ideas and build mutual trust. In today's transformed and complex world, citizen diplomacy is just as urgently necessary.

### **ArtsLink Awards**

Connecting artists and arts organizations through international projects and residencies

### **Open World Cultural Leaders Program**

Professional exchanges for contemporary Russian artists and arts managers

### **VisArt: Contemporary Issues in the Arts**

Responding to current cultural issues in Russia and Central Asia through collaboration, exchange, and professional development workshops

### **Arts Leadership Fellows**

Strengthening the arts infrastructure in Russia through advanced management training

### **Global ArtLab**

Reciprocal exchanges between US, Tajik and Kyrgyz artists and arts professionals

Afghanistan • Albania • Armenia • Azerbaijan • Belarus • Bosnia & Herzegovina • Bulgaria • Croatia  
Czech Republic • Estonia • Georgia • Hungary • Kazakhstan • Kosovo • Kyrgyzstan • Latvia  
Lithuania • Macedonia • Moldova • Mongolia • Montenegro • Poland • Romania • Russia • Serbia  
Slovak Republic • Slovenia • Tajikistan • Turkey • Turkmenistan • Ukraine • USA • Uzbekistan