

## Winter 2015 "Spotlight" on Doug McLarty



*Scheherazade*, 2009, 41.5" x 41.5", digital print.

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**Spotlight: Featured Artists at the Ohio Governor's Residence** is a program created by Ohio's First Lady Karen W. Kasich which celebrates Ohio artists by showcasing a sampling of their artworks in the Residence foyer. The program enhances the ongoing partnership between the Ohio Governor's Residence and Heritage Garden and the Ohio Arts Council (OAC). Since 1985 the OAC has assisted in placing artwork by Ohio artists and Ohio cultural institutions in the Governor's Residence and throughout the Governor's offices, in the Vern Riffe Center for Government and the Arts. The "Spotlight" program offers quarterly exhibitions at the Governor's Residence highlighted by opening receptions. Artists are selected by Mrs. Kasich with assistance from the OAC. All Ohio artists are eligible to submit their work for consideration. Ohio artists interested in applying should contact OAC Individual Artist Program Director, Ken Emerick ([ken.emerick@oac.state.oh.us](mailto:ken.emerick@oac.state.oh.us)) for details. To be eligible for the program the artist cannot be a student enrolled in a degree-granting program and must be a resident of the State of Ohio.



**About the Ohio Governor's Residence and Heritage Garden:** The house has been the official residence of ten Ohio chief executives and is a showcase of our state's artistry, culture, industry, and landscape. The Ohio Governor's Residence and Heritage Garden is a unique and historic home that represents Ohio to a diverse range of visitors. The Ohio Governor's Residence offers a living exhibition of Ohio history, industry, and craftsmanship, while the Heritage Garden strives to educate visitors on the importance of conserving and preserving the natural beauty of our state. To schedule a free tour of the residence call 614/644-7644 or [residence@governor.ohio.gov](mailto:residence@governor.ohio.gov).

#### **About the Ohio Arts Council:**

The Ohio Arts Council is a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences to strengthen Ohio communities culturally, educationally, and economically. For more information: [www.oac.state.oh.us](http://www.oac.state.oh.us)



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## **SPOTLIGHT: FEATURED ARTISTS AT THE OHIO GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE**

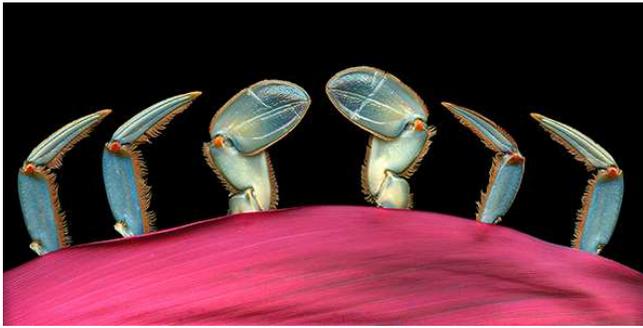


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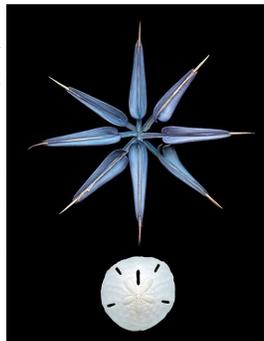
*Toucan Island*, 2010 18" x 24" digital print

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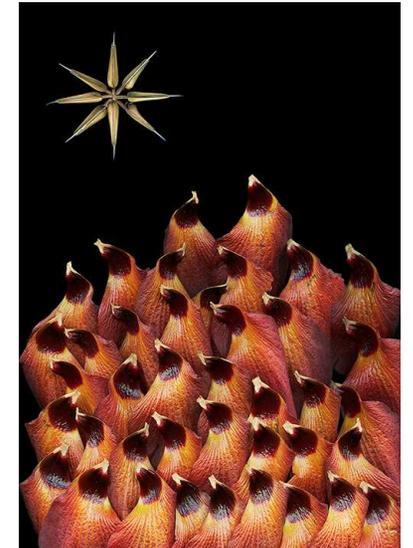
## Spotlight: Featured Artists at the Ohio Governor's Residence Featured Works by Doug McLarty



(above) *Interchange*, 2008,  
24"x 18" digital print



(top right) *Vortex d'Hibiscus*, 2012,  
28" x 28" digital print



(right) *The Way Home*, 2011,  
38" x 29" digital print

You can find Doug's work on his website:  
[www.signaturefocus.com](http://www.signaturefocus.com)