



## **The City of York Pennsylvania**

50 W. King Street PO Box 509 York, PA 17405

www.Yorkcity.org

*Honorable Mayor C. Kim Bracey*

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**CONTACT: MAYOR'S OFFICE  
PHONE: 849-2221**

### **STATE OF THE CITY AWARD RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED**

Mayor Bracey's second State of the City Address will be held at the Central Market on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6 pm. The address will highlight the goals and accomplishments of 2011 and share the administration's goals for an exciting and prosperous 2012.

Mayor Bracey announced today the individuals that will be recognized with the Mayor's Award for the Arts and the White Rose Hall of Fame Award at the State of the City Address. "This year's awards will be presented to extremely successful and talented individuals in their respective fields. I am thrilled to announce that Jeff Koons, one of the world's most widely recognized contemporary artists is the recipient of the Mayor's Award for the Visual Arts. Dorothy King, playwright, poet, and educator is the recipient of the Mayor's Award for the Literary Arts. This year's Mayor's Award for the Musical Arts will be presented to the active members of the band LIVE, who achieved worldwide success with their 1994 album, "Throwing Copper".

Jeff Koons, Dorothy King and LIVE band members Chad Taylor, Patrick Dahlheimer and Chad Gracey will be present on April 12<sup>th</sup> to accept their awards from Mayor Bracey.

-more-

A reception will be held before the address at 5 pm at the newly renovated Marketview Arts building (former FOE building) on West Philadelphia Street. Proceeds from the event will benefit York City college bound art students. The public is invited to attend the reception and the address. Admission to the reception is \$10 and reservations are still being accepted by calling 849-2221. No fee is charged to attend the Mayor's address.

The recipients of the York Awards which will be presented during the State of the City reception are:

**York Humanitarian Award** – Dr. Bruce Bushwick and Dr. Gordon Zubrod; Barbers with a Heart Program

**York Unity Award** – Rebecca Moore, Community Organizer

**York Leadership Award** - Jessica Brubaker, President of the Board of Directors for Central Market

**York Entrepreneur Award** – Jeff Lau, Mudhook Brewery

**York Recreation and Parks Volunteer Award** – Brenda Welty and Jon Gordon, Reid Menzer Skate Park

**York Youth Leadership Awards** – For academic excellence in the field of art

Yesenia Acevedo – William Penn Senior High School

Z'Quan Steeps – Crispus Attucks Youth Build

Alex Shearer – York Catholic High School

Joshua Burns – New Hope Academy

A post reception will also be held at Marketview after the State of the City. Desserts from Central Market vendors will be featured along with wine and a specialty cocktail created for the event. Music and projection art will be provided by Aortic Valve.

###