

File Number 5813-565-8



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State of Illinois  
Office of  
The Secretary of State

Whereas, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
LITTLE BLACK PEARL WORKSHOP  
INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HAVE BEEN  
FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS PROVIDED BY THE  
GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION ACT OF ILLINOIS, IN FORCE  
JANUARY 1, A.D. 1987.

Now Therefore, I, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State of the State of  
Illinois, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue  
this certificate and attach hereto a copy of the Application of the  
aforesaid corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be  
affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois,  
at the City of Springfield, this 29TH  
day of DECEMBER A.D. 19 94 and of  
the Independence of the United States the two  
hundred and 19TH.



*George H Ryan*

Secretary of State

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SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE

Date 12-29-94

Payment must be made by Certified Check, Cashier's Check, Illinois Attorney's Check, Illinois C.P.A.'s Check or Money Order, payable to "Secretary of State."  
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Approved [Signature]

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TO: GEORGE H. RYAN, Secretary of State

Pursuant to the provisions of "The General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986", the undersigned incorporator(s) hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

Article 1. The name of the corporation is: Little Black Pearl Workshop

Article 2: The name and address of the initial registered agent and registered office are:



Registered Agent	Monica	Haslip
First Name		Last Name
Registered Office	4200	South Drexel Boulevard
Number	Street	(Do Not Use P.O. Box)
Chicago		Cook
City	Zip Code	County

Article 3: The first Board of Directors shall be seven in number, their names and addresses being as follows:  
(Not less than three)

Director's Names	Number	Street	Address City	State
See attached as Exhibit A.				

Article 4. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

See attached as Exhibit B.

Is this corporation a Condominium Association as established under the Condominium Property Act?  
 Yes  No (Check one)

Is this corporation a Cooperative Housing Corporation as defined in Section 216 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954?  
 Yes  No (Check one)

Is this a Homeowner's Association which administers a common-interest community as defined in subsection (c) of Section 9-102 of the code of Civil Procedure?  Yes  No

Article 5. Other provisions (please use separate page):

See attached as Exhibit C.

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NAMES & ADDRESSES OF INCORPORATORS

The undersigned incorporator(s) hereby declare(s), under penalties of perjury, that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Dated December 20, 19 94

### SIGNATURES AND NAMES

### POST OFFICE ADDRESS

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1. L. E. Tilly  
Signature  
Laura E. Tilly  
Name (please print)

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Name (please print)

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Name (please print)

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Name (please print)

5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Name (please print)

1. 14 West Erie Street  
Street  
Chicago IL 60610  
City/Town State Zip

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
City/Town State Zip

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
City/Town State Zip

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
City/Town State Zip

5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
City/Town State Zip

(Signatures must be in ink on original document. Carbon copy, xerox or rubber stamp signatures may only be used on the true copy.)

NOTE: If a corporation acts as incorporator, the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation shall be shown and the execution shall be by its President or Vice-President and verified by him, and attested by its Secretary or an Assistant Secretary.

The registered agent cannot be the corporation itself.

The registered agent may be an individual, resident in this State, or a domestic or foreign corporation, authorized to act as a registered agent.

The registered office may be, but need not be, the same as its principal office.

A corporation which is to function as a club, as defined in Section 1-3.24 of the "Liquor Control Act" of 1934, must insert in its purpose clause a statement that it will comply with the State and local laws and ordinances relating to alcoholic liquors.

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FORM NFP-102.10  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
under the  
GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT  
CORPORATION ACT  
of

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GEORGE H. RYAN  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS SERVICES  
CORPORATION DIVISION  
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62756  
TELEPHONE (217) 782-9522  
782-9523

(These Articles Must Be Executed and Filed in Duplicate)

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### EXHIBIT A TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### Article 3

Monica Haslip, Director  
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Chicago, Illinois 60653

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Englewood, New Jersey 07631

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Marina Del Rey,  
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Fairfield, Alabama 35064

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Washington, District of  
Columbia 20013

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Washington, District of  
Columbia 20005

Ardenia Brown, Director  
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## LITTLE BLACK PEARL WORKSHOP

### EXHIBIT B TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### Article 4

Little Black Pearl Workshop (the "Corporation") is an educational and charitable organization organized to provide educational opportunities in the arts for primarily African-American inner city children and youths. The purposes of the Corporation include: to promote the involvement of African-American children and youths in the arts; to provide education and enrichment programs in the arts; and to provide hope, creative activities, discipline and structure to disadvantaged youth, thus lessening the burdens of government, lessening urban problems and promoting urban programs.

The Corporation is organized for educational and charitable purposes as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and shall not be conducted or operated for profit and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or the influencing of legislation.

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### EXHIBIT C TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### Article 5

- a. In all events and circumstances, and regardless of any merger, consolidation, reorganization, termination, dissolution, or winding up of the corporation (voluntary or involuntary, or by operation of law), or amendment of the Articles of Incorporation:
- i. The corporation shall not have or exercise any power or authority expressly, by interpretation, or by operation of law (nor shall it directly or indirectly engage in any activity) which would prevent it from qualifying (and continuing to qualify) as a corporation exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of future United States Internal Revenue laws (hereinafter referred to as the "Code").
  - ii. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its individual members, directors, officers, or other private persons. However, the corporation may pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above to organizations exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.
  - iii. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; nor shall the corporation in any manner or to any extent participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- b. Upon the dissolution of the corporation and after (a) payment, satisfaction or discharge of all liabilities, or making adequate provision therefor, and (b) return, transfer and conveyance of all assets held upon condition requiring such return, transfer and conveyance, then all assets held for a charitable, religious, eleemosynary, benevolent, educational or similar use, but not held upon a condition requiring return, transfer or conveyance

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## Article 5 (Cont.)

thereof, and all other assets of the corporation shall be transferred, set over, assigned, conveyed and delivered to such organizations described in Section 501(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as the board of directors of the corporation shall designate. Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principle office has been located, for such purposes and to such organization or organizations as such Court shall determine, which are organized and operated for exempt purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of Code.

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