

**GRANT AWARD FORM**

**Grant Award Form:** Please complete the Project Questions below and include this page in your Final Report materials submitted to the address below.

The information provided in question #1 - 5 should be the same as the information on your Urbana Arts Grant Agreement with the City.

**1. GRANTEE:** Name of Applicant or Primary Contact:

Lori Caterini

Address:

306 Davidson Dr # 7, Champaign IL

Project Title:

River of Leaves

61821

**2. TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED:** \$ 1,140.00

**3. TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED TO DATE:** \$ 570.00

**4. GRANT PERIOD:** July 20, 2009 through Sept 25, 2010.

**5. EXPENDITURE DEADLINE:** Sept 25, 2010.

**6. DATE OF PROJECT COMPLETION:** Nov 11, 2009.

**Return to:**

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Lori Caterini  
*River of Leaves*  
Post Project Evaluation  
Urbana Arts Grant Report

Brilliant yellow ginkgo leaves filled the north section of crane alley for one day. Just as we finished the installation in the early morning an architect walked through them on the way to work. He said "It's like a carpet." Through out the day people found joy in an intensified ordinary experience. The appreciation of the leaves connected people to other everyday pleasures. I bought breakfast at Mirabelle. A baker asked me about the project and showed me a view of cypress trees at the end of the alley and suggested I photograph it. He said the trees looked magical under Bunny's neon lights at night. Later a friendly beagle jumped and frolicked in the leaves. Children (and adults) played in the leaves. Some people came more than once to see the leaves at different times of day. I estimate about 100 to 150 people spent time in the alley enjoying the leaves. Many more saw it as they passed by the alley or walked through it as part of their daily routine.

People connected with the project at each stage. University landscapers spared our leaves despite orders not to vary their mowing schedule. Home owners were intrigued. One woman got on the roof of her garage to sweep leaves down for us. As rain threatened a landscaper volunteered his crew to help us quickly gather a perfect circle of leaves from a huge tree. A bus driver who had never heard of installation art looked forward to seeing the leaves on her route. Friends volunteered trucks, vans and labor to help transport leaves to a temporary holding site for storage prior to installation. People lent us rakes and tarps.

Grant funds paid for the equipment, materials and labor that made the project possible. These include truck rental, fuel, leaf bags slide film and processing and other miscellaneous expenses. Most essential was the crew. The project was accomplished with 7 paid crew member including myself and 6 volunteers. The crew raked and meticulously separated ginkgo leaves from leaves of other kind and color. The crew also transported the bagged leaves to a temporary storage site. All aspects of this project from the meticulous gathering and sorting of leaves; the guerrilla installation beginning at 5 am and clean up and removal of leaves from the alley could not have been accomplished with out a paid crew. We loaded and unloaded more than 100 bags of dense, heavy ginkgo leaves on to trucks twice in a 24 hour period. (Despite this one crew member said he missed the leaf project after it was over.)

So many delicate golden fan shaped ginkgo leaves out of context created a striking dreamlike effect. Without funding from the city this labor intensive project would not have been possible. Support by the City of Urbana gives me the opportunity to develop as a community artist and the confidence to undertake larger projects.

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**LABOR**

Volunteer Support  
Crew @ \$10/hr

Stanley Patterson	\$62.50
Rayman Franks	\$120.00
Melissa Mason	\$160.00
Anthony Rolly	\$55.00
Gabe Stanton	\$110.00
Keihly Moore	\$95.00

**Subtotal**            **\$602.50**

Volunteer Support  
Artist @ \$5.44/hr

Lori Caterini	\$315.82
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**Total**                **\$918.32**

**MATERIALS**

Truck rental	\$43.92
Gas	\$21.00
Gas	\$21.08

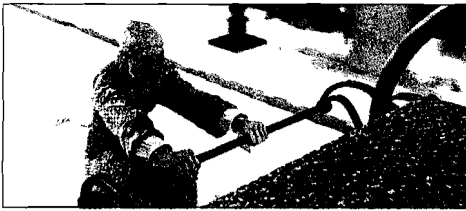
Slide film	\$17.22
Slide Processing	\$33.00

Leaf Bags	\$73.15
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Yard waste	\$8.00
Tarp	\$4.31

**Total**                **\$221.68**

**GRAND TOTAL**    **\$1140.00**



**Wild rides**

Richard J. Leskosky review's Disney's "A Christmas Carol," and Chuck Koplinski weighs in on "2012" in this week's E3 magazine. **Section inside.**



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**Herman withdraws as contenc**

Former Urbana-Champaign chancellor says 'this just isn't the right time' in bowing out

By **PAUL WOOD**  
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URBANA — Richard Herman, former chancellor at the University of Illinois' Urbana campus, removed himself from consideration as the next president of New Mexico State University on Tuesday.

"We just decided it wasn't the right thing at this time. (Wife) Susan and I thought they were very gracious people doing some wonderful things, but this just isn't the right time," Herman said Wednesday.

Herman, who resigned last month after weeks of reports about admis-

sions favoritism at the University of Illinois, declined to comment about whether he was interested in any other university positions, or whether search committees had contacted him.

"I'll just take it one day at a time," Herman said.

According to a New Mexico State University press release, Herman said his decision is based on other obligations that will prevent him from continuing as a candidate.

He expressed his good wishes for NMSU's future successes.

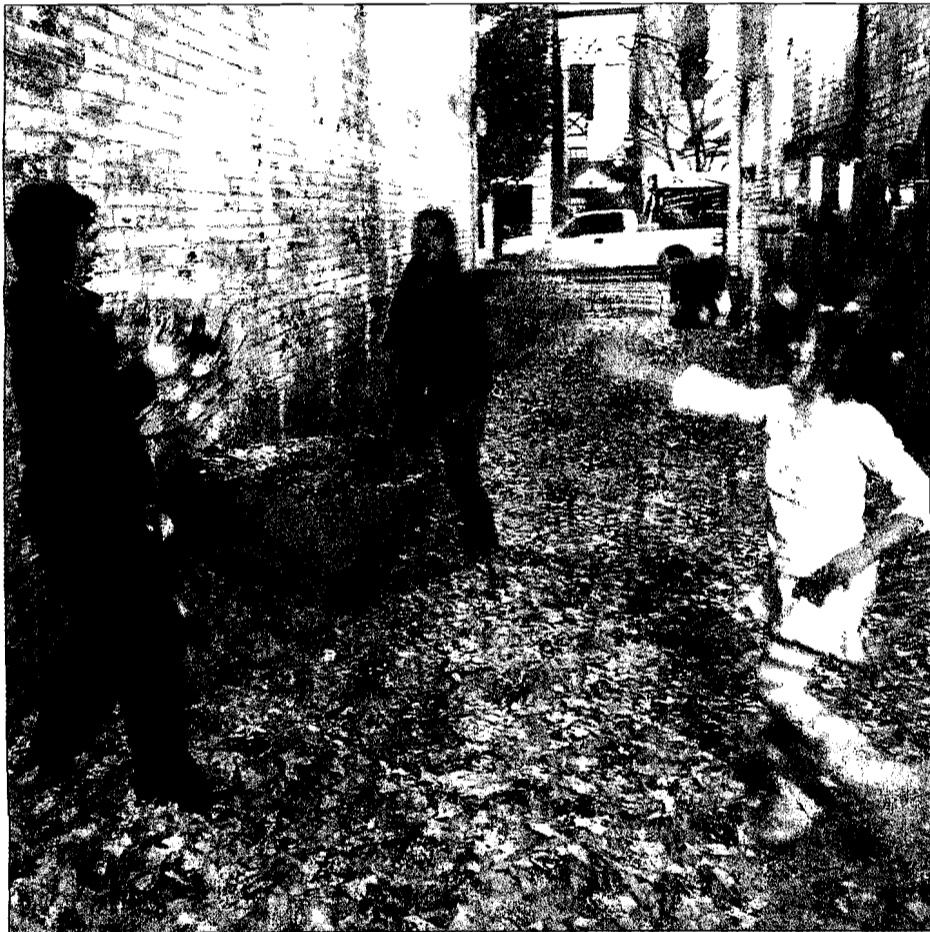
"I understand and respect Dr. Herman's decision," NMSU Board of Regents Chairman Blake Curtis said in the press release. "We have a pool of fully qualified candidates and our selection process will continue as planned. On Nov. 19 we have a special Board of Regents meeting scheduled. It is our intent to announce our next president at that time."

Herman told The News-Gazette he has nothing but the highest regard for Provost Robert E. May and the UI Board of Trustees in Springfield.

Herman visited the UI campus and held student press forums on Nov. 10 and 11 as UI chancellor in 2008.

Four candidates remain, according to

**Golden splash of fall**



Robert K. O'Daniell/The News-Gazette

From left, Stephanie Gabel of Champaign, Ryann Elder of Urbana and Veronica Gabel, 6, daughter of Stephanie, play in leaves Wednesday in Crane Alley in downtown Urbana during the second annual 'River of Leaves,' a one-day event by Champaign artist Lori Caterini. This year, the alley was filled with ginkgo leaves.

**ILLINOIS STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**

**Leader: Fi for your h**

Real estate lawyer warns those who worry foreclosure is imminent not to just sit around

By **DON DODSON**  
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CHAMPAIGN — For heaven's sake, do something. That's the advice the president of the Illinois State Bar Association gives to those who have gotten word — or just suspect — that their home faces foreclosure.

"Be proactive. Call somebody. You've got 10 months before you're really in trouble. You've got a lot of time to do something," said John G. O'Brien, a real estate attorney from Arlington Heights who founded the Illinois Real Estate Lawyers Association.

More than half the time, homeowners never even call the lender to discuss the problem and try to work something out, he said.

"Don't be that lamb walking silently to the slaughter," he said.

It's probably no surprise that O'Brien recommends the first call be made to a real estate lawyer who can help develop a course of action.

If you don't think you can afford a lawyer, call your local bar association or a legal

**Tips to h a forecl**

- Contact lender if you're aware
  - Open an escrow account
  - Know your rights by reading the deed and the state foreclosure laws
  - Understate the value of your home
  - Contact a housing counselor
  - Prioritize your bills
  - Consider selling your home
  - Avoid foreclosure services you can't afford
- Source: U.S. Housing and U



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assistance for you. They may be affordable all over the state.

Next, call the lender to establish the problem. Ask what the lender has any kind of loan modification program. There are many programs backed by the federal government that can help. The HOPE for Homeowners Act can help. The "rent to own" program can give you time to get your feet back on the ground but stay in it as long as possible.

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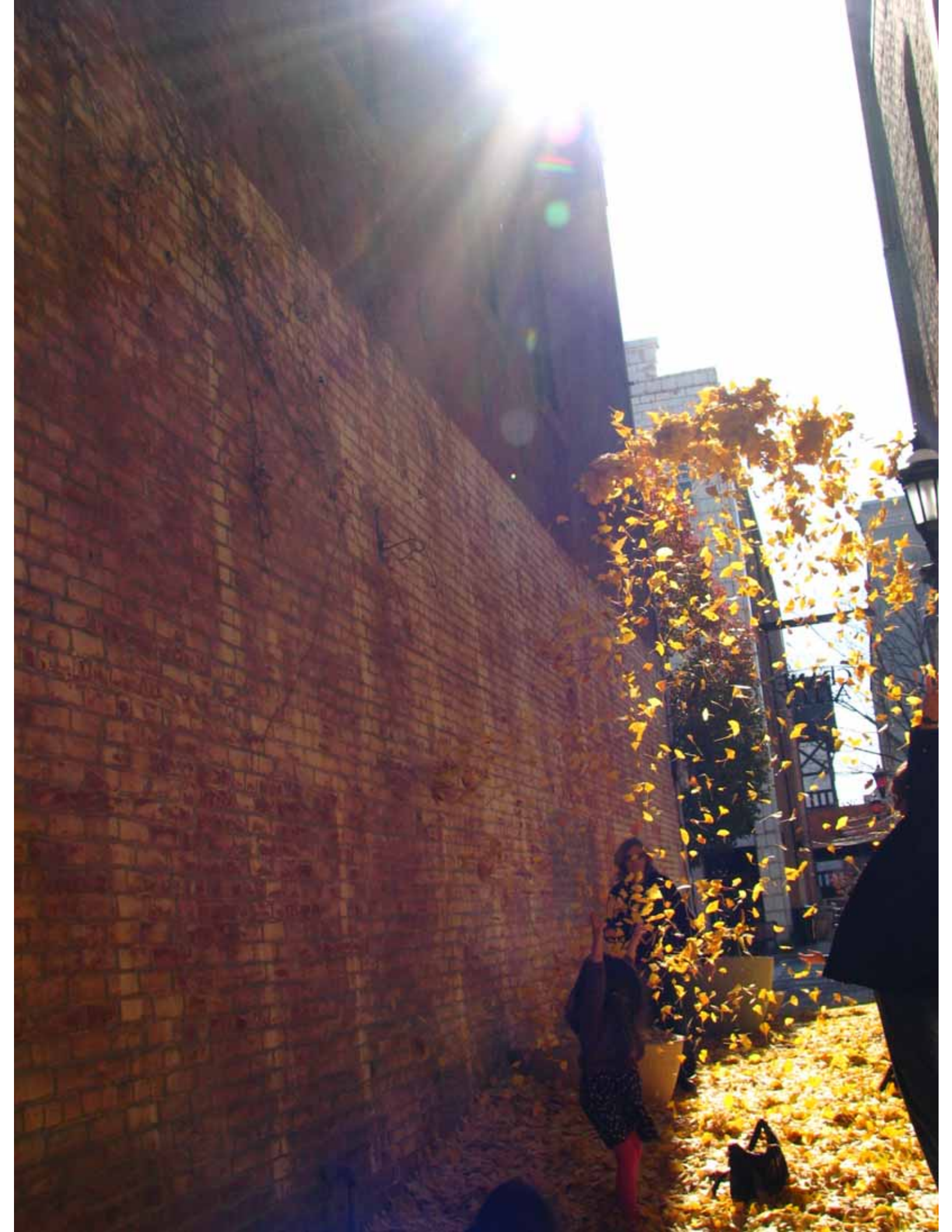












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