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## Museums and Cultural Affairs Department

### **PRESS RELEASE**

### *China's Minister of Culture to Speak in El Paso*

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As part of MCAD's Art Talk series which has brought nationally art recognized luminaries in art to El Paso, MCAD and Adair Margo, Chairman for President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, welcome the honorable Sun Jiazheng. The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities and The City of El Paso Museums and Cultural Affairs Department (MCAD) invite you to an Art Talk with the Minister of Culture of the People's Republic of China, the honorable Sun Jiazheng.

The talk will take place on Friday, February 1, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., at the El Paso Museum of Art located at One Arts Festival Plaza El Paso, Texas 79901. Continental breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Please call (915) 532.1707 to RSVP.

#### **Bio:**

Born March 1944 in Siyang, Jiangsu Province, China, Mr. Sun Jiazheng has served as Minister of Culture, PRC and Secretary, Leading Party (CPC) Group, Ministry of Culture from March 1998 to the present. Before assuming this position, Mr. Sun was Minister of Radio, Film and Television and Secretary, Leading Party (CPC) Group, Ministry of Radio, Film and Television. Beginning in 1978, Mr. Sun served successively as Secretary, Nanjing Municipal Committee of the Communist Youth League, Jiangsu Province; Secretary, Jiangsu Provincial Committee of the Communist Youth League; Member and Secretary-General of the Standing Committee of the CPC Jiangsu Provincial Committee; Secretary of CPC Xuzhou Municipal Committee, Jiangsu Province; and Deputy Secretary of CPC Jiangsu Provincial Committee.

A graduate of the Department of Chinese Language and Literature, Nanjing University, Mr. Sun Jiazheng is currently member of the 15<sup>th</sup> Central Committee of The Communist Party and was alternate member of the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> CPC Central Committee.



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