MCACA MINIGRANTS: Round 1 2019 FUNDING PLAN

PROFESSIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Lansing Art Gallery
Project: Lansing Art Gallery & Education will send executive director Barb Whitney to the 2019 Americans for the Arts Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
Award: $1,500

Total 2018 Professional or Organizational Development Awards: $1,500

ARTS PROJECTS

Clinton County Arts Council
Project: The Clinton County Arts Council will beautify the underpass located on the Fred Meijer CIS Trail in St Johns, by involving community groups, organizations, juvenile probation, 4H groups and more. One side of the underpass allows for eight, 8’x10’ sections available to the groups. The other side will allow for two large artists’ murals. The groups will select a historical artist to research and develop a piece. The artist will work with each group, teaching them the importance of prep work, scaling a mural and the work and materials it involves.
Award: $3,000

Lansing Concert Band
Project: The Young Person’s Introduction to the Band is a 60-minute, fast-paced symphonic band concert, designed to introduce 3rd-5th grade students to the sights and sounds of the traditional American Concert Band. The 2019 concert theme will be “Music All Around Us,” featuring musical excerpts which demonstrate the many ways in which music is involved in our daily lives (tv shows, movies, sporting events, etc.). The students will also learn the names and sounds of each instrument of the concert band. The music will be enhanced by a colorful slide presentation, resulting in a “multi-media” experience.
Award: $2,239

Meridian Community Band
Project: The Red Cedar Festival is a one-day event in which ten Michigan community concert bands perform a brief public concert which is followed by a post-concert clinic. The clinics are presented by college/university-level conductors who provide valuable insight and teach techniques for improving musicianship. Visiting artists present master classes for featured instruments. The Festival provides networking opportunities for musicians. Audiences enjoy the presentation of a wide variety of both contemporary and traditional band literature. All events are admission free to the public.
Award: $3,000
Pinecrest Elementary
Project: Pure Winds woodwind quintet will collaborate with the fourth grade students of Pinecrest Elementary to produce and create a musical staged reading of Trinka Hakes Noble’s book “The Legend of Michigan.” This will be the result of a four week residency between Pure Winds and the fourth grade students of Pinecrest Elementary.

Award: $4,000

REO Town Commercial Association
Project: The REO Town Thrift Store Gala is an event celebrating the reuse and repurposing of cast off clothing through burlesque, aerialism, magic and pageantry. Now in its sixth year, the event has grown from a quirky experiment to one of REO Town’s most successful events.

Award: $2,000

Total 2018 Arts Projects Awards: $16,239
MCACA MINIGRANTS: Round 2 2019 FUNDING PLAN

PROFESSIONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Crystal Gause
Project: With this grant, Crystal will fund an educational trip to Currents New Media Festival in Santa Fe, NM. As an independent arts curator working and creating in Lansing, she integrates technology and cutting edge art into her exhibitions. As a leading voice in New Media, Currents presents interactive installations, workshops, multimedia performances, VR and AR environments, animation, experimental documentary, robotics and 3D printing. She will garner an updated look at the field and bring new and refreshing ideas back to Lansing.

Award: $900

Green Bow Music
Project: Grant funds will go towards creation of new video content to advertise the different musical compositions and musical genres that The Tia Imani Hanna Project will create. These will be placed on two new websites. One for Green Bow Music and One for The Tia Imani Hanna websites. The purpose to introduce the two new websites being created in 2019 with video newsletters and personal invitation featuring the new videos.

Award: $600

Lansing Symphony Orchestra
Project: The Lansing Symphony Orchestra (LSO) is using grant funding to support one staff member, Anastasia Bonotto, to attend the Essentials of Orchestra Management Seminar (Essentials) taking place July 8 through 18th, 2019 in Los Angeles California. The Essentials of Orchestra Management seminar is presented by the League of American Orchestras and is an intensive ten-day seminar “that prepares orchestra professionals to be effective administrators and leaders.” The seminar is led by some of the best professionals in the field: successful orchestral musicians, executives, and leadership experts.

Award: $1,500

MICA
Project: MICA's mission is to serve as a catalyst for community development through quality arts programming. This organization has demonstrated its ability to produce successful projects over the years. Much of the urban revival on Turner Street is due to the time and dedication of numerous volunteers over the past thirty years. To continue to providing quality arts programming and community development projects, the board seeks to hire a grant writer to strategically seek out resources and obtain funding to sustain existing and proposed projects.

Award: $1,500

Total 2019 Professional or Organizational Development Awards: $4,500
ARTS PROJECTS

Bath Charter Township
Project: The Bath Public Arts Committee (BPAC) is planning a community art project that encourages participation in completion of a mural that will be displayed in a prominent location within a local park. BPAC will offer assistance at local events, however will rely on the community’s efforts to complete the mural. The mural’s theme will be drawn on a “canvas” by a local artist and participants will be invited to fill in the open areas with patterns or colors which will create an overall visual masterpiece. Upon completion, the mural will be mounted to all four sides of the park’s restroom facility.
Award: $821

Communities In Schools of Michigan
Project: CIS of Michigan will partner with a local artist to bring a project based learning opportunity to 8th grade students at J.W. Sexton High School. Students in an 8th grade math class will create a large mural in the Sexton cafeteria through collaborative artistic and mathematical instruction. The mural itself will have multiple messages embedded within it that are mathematical and motivational. This project aims to build and strengthen students math literacy all while providing curriculum that excites and engages students to increase the likelihood of students overall academic success.
Award: $1,470

DreamWorld Studios for the Arts
Project: DreamWorld Studios for the Arts is seeking funding to continue our partnership with three Lansing Schools (Willow Elementary, Mid Michigan Leadership Academy, Sexton High School) as it implements the third season of DANCE Project between January 2019 and October 2019. DreamWorld’s DANCE Project 3.0 is geared toward youth and artist from underrepresented communities/backgrounds, with the objective to positively influence participants’ academics, attendance, behavior (self-esteem), and overall arts experience.
Award: $870

Holt Community Arts Council
Project: With grant funds, Holt Community Arts Council will hold their free Music in the Garden summer series of four free open-air concerts in Delhi Township. Concerts will take place on the evenings of July 11, July 18, July 25, and Aug. 1. The arts council takes great care to select professional musicians who represent a variety of cultures and genres.
Award: $2,000

Lansing 5:01
Project: With these funds, Lansing 5:01 will fund Bridge Fest, a riverside festival to highlight local music and artists. Attendees can explore the lively Lansing arts and culture scene through a robust Lansing-based artisan village while witnessing live art installations with chalk artists and muralists and enjoying local eats. As the sun goes down, participants can join under the Shiawassee Bridge for a free concert featuring top-notch Michigan musicians. Targeting young professionals, this festival educates them on the vibrant arts and culture community in Lansing. The festival is free and open to the public.
Award: $3,600
Total 2019 Arts Projects Awards: $8,761