

## In fiscal year 2020, Lake Region Arts Council awarded the following grants:

### Artist Quick Start Grants

Individual Artists may apply for \$750.

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Ruth Hanson	Otter Tail County	\$750
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Hanson's artistic pursuits include pen and ink, paint and brush, water color and gouache, and batik watercolor. The funding will be to purchase a mat cutter to assist her with matting and framing new works for future exhibits.

Chanda Kraft	Douglas County	\$750
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Kraft will be creating a new collection of watercolor and oil paintings for next year's Art de Tour. The funding will be to purchase supplies for the new work. She will be working on larger landscapes to convey a stronger impact for her audience.

Mee Lee	Grant County	\$750
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Lee began her work as a weaver, creating large sculptural images. She progressed to collages, incorporating her dyed fabrics and stitching. She has discovered painting on canvas and is incorporating the same themes and inspirations in her most recent work.

Kim Larson	Clay County	\$750
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Larson will be attending the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators Annual Conference in Los Angeles, August 2020. It is the most-well-attended conference by those who produce children's literature, from picture books to young adult novels. It offers nine keynote speakers and seventy-two workshops given by highly acclaimed published authors and instructors. The funding will cover the registration fee and additional virtual expenses.

Mary Loecken	Otter Tail County	\$750
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Loecken's specialty is the art of painting porcelain. Her funding will be to learn more about luster painting, opaque, transparent, and iridescent colors. She will study with Nancy Bergen, renowned luster artist for ten hours of instructions.

Jarred Morrow	Otter Tail County	\$750
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Morrow is a musician and a luthier, a craftsman who builds string instruments. His goal is to continue to perfect his skills by upgrading his tools. His next projects will be; a mandolin, banjo and guitar..

### Career Development Grant

Individual Artists may apply for up to \$1,200

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Cindy Herfindahl	Clay County	\$1,200
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Herfindahl is transitioning back to her artistic career after retiring from successful career as a cake decorator. Her BA in Visual Arts will serve her well as she begins a study in microscope images. Her grant is to purchase the equipment, microscope and digital camera, to discover the intricacies of the world around us. .

**Career Development Grant  
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**Individual Artists** may apply for **up to \$1,200**

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Guz Holley	Clay County	\$1,200
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Holley will be working with a master musician Gao Hong to learn a traditional song on the Pudong pipa. The solos "Mother-in-Law Arguing with Daughter-in-Law" has been passed down through seven generations and is at high risk of disappearing from the modern repertoire. He will work virtually one on one with his mentor to perfect the performance.

Dwight Irish	Otter Tail County	\$1,200
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Irish will be returning to his work as a bronze sculptor after retiring back to Minnesota bring three different sized blast furnaces with him from Oregon. In his early years, he created a variety of large bronze sculptors gaining hands on experience while pursuing his MFA. Now that he has time to create again, his grant is to purchase the Colloidal silica needed to cast molds for new bronze sculptures.

Deborah Krook	Becker County	\$534
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Krook will continue her studies of needle felted wool animal sculptures through classes with leading experts throughout the country. She is pursuing trainings in Texas and Ohio (when classes become available again) to perfect her techniques including creating an armature, building up anatomy, blending colors for realistic fur, applying long fur and inserting glass eyes. Her goal is to take her artistic creation to the next level.

Each year one artist is awarded \$5,000 to recognize and honor their accomplishment. (2020 Music and Visual Arts)

**McKnight Fellowship**

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Kenyon Williams	Clay County	\$5,000
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His Fellowship Project for the coming year is to create a program of works for percussion duo featuring Williams and his former student, Shota Miyazaki, who is currently a free-lance percussionist in Tokyo, Japan. Fellowship funds would be used for a two-part project: Part one would be to fly Mr. Miyazaki to Moorhead for a week of rehearsals and touring performances of the LRAC area in the late spring of 2021. Williams will perform in local Minnesota Performing Arts Centers, public libraries, public schools, and universities. The second part of the project would occur in the early summer of 2021 (May/June). Fellowship funds will be used to fly Williams to Japan for two weeks to present joint duo performances in Tokyo and Osaka with Mr. Miyazaki, as well as to pursue applied training in Japanese taiko drumming fundamentals. Ultimately, the Fellowship will allow him to pursue two goals simultaneously: exploring and sharing with audiences both in our own region and abroad an innovative program of works for percussion duo, as well as giving me a chance to pursue studies in the "home" of Taiko, Japan.

**Individual Artists** are awarded funds to enhance art access, art education

**Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants**

and art cultural heritage in the LRAC region

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Paulette Friday	Douglas County	\$21,280
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Friday will write narratives to work with storytellers and select historic music for musicians and members of the Alexandria High School chorus to produce a historical story and song production commemorating the 100th anniversary of the implementation of the 19th Amendment- women's right to vote. The ordeal of women's right to vote was fraught with every strong emotion known to man (woman.) A story and music production depicting the good, the bad, and ugly of women's fight for the vote will be a fantastic way for audiences to be educated and entertained in this year of commemoration. Anniversary commemoration, election year, great historic stories and songs, talented artists= an entertaining and educational experience to be enjoyed by the whole community. Tentative Dates are Summer 2021.

**Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants  
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**Individual Artists** are awarded funds to enhance art access, art education and art cultural heritage in the LRAC region

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Sue Kalseim	Otter Tail County	\$3,470
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Kalseim is incorporating alcohol inks for making beautiful jewelry. Unlike any alcohol ink jewelry out there (on glass or ceramic) she developed a process of painting designs on yupo paper and affixing it to pre-cut wooden shapes adding embellishments to make beautiful jewelry. Alcohol inks are an acid-free, highly-pigmented, and fast drying medium to be used on non-porous surfaces. Kalseim will be touring the region in the coming year offering workshops to a variety of students of all ages (children, adults, and seniors). Her workshops include how to choose color combinations, the use of different tools unique to this medium examples: dotting tools, straws, q-tips, felt pads, and plastic rectangles and will give the students the opportunity to add embellishments such as charms or other metal shapes to enhance the jewelry.

Su Legatt	Clay County	\$1,200
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Legatt will to host a series of pot-luck style community engagement events that examine the shifting cultural and social dynamics throughout the state of Minnesota. Dish, a creative research project, focuses on sharing, collecting, and disseminating personal stories, memories, associations, and experiences about life in Minnesota and its evolving social and cultural landscape. The funds will purchase audio recording devices to assist with future events, whether they are large group or intimate exchanges, at various locations; local cafes, stores, outdoor festivals, and parks.

David Stoddard	Otter tail County	\$2,960
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Stoddard will purchase equipment to update his recording studio's capacity to compose for film/soundtracks for regional and potentially national productions. He will able to compose and fully exploit the sonic possibilities of a modern film/video composing platform. This will expand his abilities as a composer to reach a broader audience and to collaborate with local and regional film makers.

Brad Wegscheid	Otter Tail County	\$7,316
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Wegscheid will create the "Scribbletastic Fun-O-Matic Command Post" to travel to various events and generate spontaneous, creative, multi generational, interaction and pop-up art fun. The trailer will be used as a work space and as a transport to 7 destinations during summer of 2020. The SFOMCP provides many fun shaped free standing blank dry erase spaces and markers which can be used to explore and create art. In addition to free standing shapes, the trailer's shell and lined interior will also be available to drawing for the public.

**Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants**

**Non profit arts organizations, public institutions and other non profit groups** are awarded funds to enhance art access, art education and art cultural heritage in the LRAC region.

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City of Breckenridge	Wilkin County	\$10,000
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City of Breckenridge will host a festival with the creation of a painted mural on the flood wall at the headwaters of the Red River. The design for the mural would be bold and brightly colored like a mosaic with added elements of local significance and history so as to attract attention and create some community pride. The mural will be designed by Shawn McCann, a Wahpeton native and current Twin Cities resident. McCann is an award winning artist and a past NEA grant recipient whose work has been featured twice at the LA Times Festival of Books as a accomplished illustrator. The festival will sponsor musical groups performing for public audiences in multiple locations. Those locations include a performance at the site of the newly created mural with a dedication of the mural, performances on the lawn of the community center, at the old city hall archway on 5th Street, and the Earthen Stage in Welles Park. Original dates for the festival were summer 2020.

## Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants Organizations, (continued)

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Andria Theater	Douglas County	\$17,670
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The Andria Theatre will present a touring production of the “Lion in Winter” under the direction of Sharon Thalmann. This small cast history play will provide an exciting challenge for regional actors and audiences. The situation is fictitious but the characters and historical facts are quite real. The play is set at Christmas, 1183, in the court of King Henry II of England and his Queen, the infamous, Eleanor of Aquitaine. This show features 7 intriguing, real life, characters in a very complicated and darkly amusing family situation. The throne is up for grabs and so is the truth.

Central Lakes Symphony Orchestra	Douglas County	\$3,750
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CLSO will sponsor an artist residency with the Lyra Trio, from the Fargo Moorhead Symphony. The residency will include a lecture on “Women in Classical Music—Past and Present” for the Senior College of West Central Minnesota. That evening, Senior College students will be invited to attend a “teaching rehearsal” as the Trio prepares for the Triple Concerto. CLSO will host an afternoon tea where the Trio will share their stories of lives as women in the arts and perform in an intimate setting. The Trio will perform with CLSO at the Classical Masterworks concert featuring Mozart’s “Haffner” Symphony No. 35 and Beethoven’s Triple Concerto. The Lyra Trio will be the guest artists for the Beethoven selection. (Artist Residency was rescheduled for Winter 2021)

Central Square	Pope County	\$7,763
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Central Square will purchase a set stage risers to use at Central Square in order to enhance the staging abilities of their venue. With the variety of artists that perform at Central Square, the set risers will provide a versatile option with three different levels for staging each event. The set includes matching steps, velcro skirts, and folding risers to for a professional appearance and easy storage.

Central Square	Pope County	\$10,590
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Central Square will install a professional sound system to surrounds the public with brilliant sound. Their auditorium is known for being one of the best acoustical venues in Minnesota with over 1,000 seats, and a quality sound system will enhance the audience’s experiences. Professional sound equipment will improve the access to smaller, regional talent requiring it to perform a quality live show. In addition, training will be provided to the staff to assist with running the equipment for smaller ensembles.

Central Square	Pope County	\$6,850
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Central Square will install new main entrance doors for their facility that are both approved ADA accessible and energy efficient. The new doors will be equipped with an automatic door opener which is controlled by an ADA approved wall mounted hands-free button. In addition, the new doors will be equipped with ADA approved panic bars for safe and easy egress. The entry doors will be for the east entrance off the parking lot.

College for Kids and Teens	Clay County	\$1,352
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College for Kids & Teens will be offering scholarships to provide financial assistance to attend the summer camp program offered at MN State University Moorhead. Since the inception of the program, the goal has always been to promote education and fun throughout the summer. The Arts courses offered in College for Kids are taught by talented teachers and artists in the community who share their knowledge and expertise with those they are instructing. For the summer 2020, tentative plans are to teach the courses online.

## Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants Organizations, (continued)

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DanceBARN Collective	Otter Tail County	\$8,661
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DanceBARN Collective will host the sixth year of the DanceBARN Festival to bring 20 professional dancers to the community. The Youth Camp that will bring 15 young dancers ages 11-18 to Battle Lake to have a quality dance experience in and with the community. With both events, they engage their community through free events, community classes, performances, and a Screendance Festival that exposes our community and visitors to dance films from all over the world. (Summer Youth Camp is tentatively August 2020 and Adult Dance Festival is summer 2021.)

Elbow Lake Arts Advisory Council	Grant County	\$5,260
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ELAAC will sponsor more art activities for children by offering Summer Art Camp after their first success camp in 2019. There will be seven weekly sessions through June and July for children ages 8-15 with an emphasize on the seven elements of art (line, shape, color, value, form, texture and space) through various mediums and approaches. The grant monies will pay for the teachers and renewable supplies for this second year. The artistic development, exposure and experience across all ages, but particularly for children, is an essential part of human development. (Summer Camp has been postponed until summer 2021.)

Evansville Arts Coalition	Douglas County	\$6,900
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Evansville Arts Coalition will sponsor the holiday classic, "Dickens by Candlelight," on December 6, 2020. Dickens by Candlelight is a unique theater experience that envelopes the audience interactively with the words of Charles Dickens famous "Ghost Story of Christmas". The performance features three versatile actors; each one playing multiple characters. The troupe will work with high school students the following Monday to provide a theater master class.

Fergus Falls Center for the Arts	Otter Tail County	\$21,000
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FFC4TA will present nine concerts and artist residencies in an eclectic season with the grant paying a portion of six events. AC4TA will sponsor Luca Stricagnoli, Italian guitarist prodigy, Sons of Mysterio, Reggae ensemble, Mandy Harvey, award winning deaf musician, John McAndrew, Singer/Songwriter, Goitse, Irish ensemble, and Le Vent Du Nord, French Canadian ensemble. They will go to students, elderly, veterans, and persons with special abilities in and around the community. AC4TA connects artists and audiences by providing the best possible arts experiences that inspire creativity, curiosity, imagination, and learning

Frazee Vergas Public School	Becker County	\$10,000
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Frazee-Vergas Public School will sponsor an educational residency from the Copper Street Brass ensemble to provide tools for students to become lifelong musicians with a love of music. The two-day residency will be February 2021 at Frazee-Vergas High School for band students from 6th grade to high school seniors, as well as younger elementary and kindergarten students to encourage future band participation; reaching a total of more than 300 students.

Historic Holmes Theatre	Becker County	\$19,020
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After last year's successful pilot season, HHT will continue developing this series by curating a second season of "Backstage at the Holmes." The season would feature Minnesota Music Coalition's Nooky Jones, and Minneapolis based bands Her Crooked Heart, Jeremy Messersmith, Chris Koza, Graveyard Club and The Galactic Cowboy Orchestra. These groups range in music from Synth rock, ART-ROCK (a type of rock music and poetic lyrics blended with derivatives of classical and jazz music), female four-part vocal harmonies, melancholic songs, to neo soul. The initial concept will remain the same with the front curtain drawn, the stage effectively becomes a small music venue able to hold approximately 75 people and staff will continue to include an on-site manager/audio/lighting technician/volunteers.



**Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants Organizations, (continued)**

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Ulen Hitterdal School	Clay County	\$2,765
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Ulen Hitterdal School will sponsor a writer residency program for the community featuring author Marcie Rendon on February 12 and 13, 2020. Rendon has written two mystery novels and two children's novels which center on the Native American identity as well as the intersectionality of being Native American and female or of being Native American and a child and all the opportunities and challenges that go along with those identities. The residency will be part of their "Community Reads" event featuring daytime classes for students and an evening artist talk/book discussion for the public and book clubs.

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<b>Project Grants</b>	<b>Arts Organizations and Public Institutions up to \$3,000, 20% match</b>
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DanceBARN Collective	Otter Tail County	\$2,560
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DanceBARN Collective will host the workshop, "Dance and Music Unite: A Collaborative Workshop" with music/dance master teacher, Tom Kanthak. This two and a half day workshop with Tom Kanthak will explore in depth the intimate relationship between dance and music. Workshop participants, including musicians and dancers, will experience Dalcroze Eurhythmics, Applied Dance Theory, dance technique master classes, talk back and Q and A sessions, and an open improv session. Musicians will also have the opportunity to participate in playing for modern dance technique classes, a dance musician seminar, and a public improv jam session. Dancers will have the opportunity to experience Dalcroze Eurhythmics, participate in exploratory Dance Theory classes based in the Hanya Holm technique, and take master classes with live music. Potential dates are now Fall 2020.

Detroit Lakes Community Education	Becker County	\$2,975
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DL Community Education will present a month long summer musical theatre day camp ages 5th -10th grade, and conclude with three public performances of the junior version of "Singin' in the Rain" at the Historic Holmes Theatre in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota. Students will be involved in all aspects of musical theatre, create friendships, and gain confidence in performing. Returning this year is Director, Kendra Gilsdorf, who offers a wealth of theatre production knowledge and experience. Gilsdorf acts, sings, stage manages, directs—returns again with her team of music director (Nick Larson, music major at Concordia), and choreographer (Hope Hanson, award-winning student dancer) for another successful summer production. Original performance dates were scheduled for June 2020; revised dates are yet to be determined

Henning Landmark Center	Otter Tail County	\$2,487
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Landmark Center will sponsor Artist Stephen Henning for a 6-days training in Oil Pastel Painting at the Henning Public School including 4 class periods accommodating approximately 60 students. Each student will learn some basic techniques working with Oil Pastels while focusing on critical observation, general drawing skills, light and shadow, color theory, and composition. A one-day adult workshop will also be offered at Henning Landmark Center focusing on a basic introduction to Oil Pastels, creation and completion of an original piece of art. A public exhibit of completed work will be displayed at Henning Landmark Center following the workshops. (The workshop has been postponed until October 2020.)

Henning Landmark Center	Otter Tail County	\$2,225
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Landmark Center will sponsor an artist residency with Artist Ellen Jean Diederich who will conduct a 4-day adult Watercolor Painting workshop August 11-14, 2020. In addition, Diederich will offer a 1.5 hour Watercolor Painting workshop for 10 children at Henning Landmark Center on August 10, 2020. These workshops will be available to anyone in the surrounding communities at a reduced fee making it accessible to all. All supplies and materials will be included with the workshop fee. Be sure to contact Henning to confirm the August dates.

**Project Grants (continued)****Arts Organizations and Public Institutions up to \$3,000, 20% match**

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Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County	Clay County	\$2,000
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HCSCC will exhibit the stellar Quilt National 2019 exhibition of 32 award-winning art quilts and pay a curator, Vicki Borgart, to install the exhibition at the museum at the Hjemkomst Center in Moorhead, MN to run July 1 - Sept. 30, 2020. Not your grandma's bed-top Sunbonnet Sue traditional quilts, these quilts are modern works of art in fiber. Each a unique creation of its artist's boundless imagination, extraordinary skill, and tangible patience, the individual works represent the finest examples of the traditional 3-layer format while taking the traditional image of quilt and exploding any pre-conceived notions the visitor brings.

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County	Clay County	\$3,000
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HCSCC will electronically receive an exhibition from the West-Telemark Museum in Norway called Red River Girl which focuses on the art of Orabel Thortvedt who spent her lifetime writing about and illustrating the stories of her family's immigration to the US. Using her sketchbooks which are filled with pencil sketches, ink drawings, watercolors, and paintings, researchers from both museums have developed the exhibition of text panels and images depicting how Orabel's art illustrates the detailed narrative of her family's trip from Telemark to Houston County, MN and Clay County where they settled. Funds will be used for printing and mounting the panels the exhibition to be displayed at the Hjemkomst Center October of 2020 through March of 2021.

MSUMoorhead Percussion Ensemble	Clay County	\$2,770
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MSUMoorhead Percussion Ensemble will host a Day of Percussion and Mass Drumline event featuring three guest artists, Dr. John Wooten (famed marching percussion pedagogue), David Stanoch (a Minneapolis-based touring a recording drumset artist), and Orlando Cotto (a "double threat" Afro-cuban percussionist and renowned classical marimbist) During this day-long event, the guest artists will present clinics and masterclasses from a wide variety of percussion disciplines for hundreds of attendees, both students and adults from throughout the region.. The Day will begin with a special three-hour long "mass drumline" event along with afternoon clinics and performances including Afro-Cuban percussion, solo marimba recital, and snare drum technique. The Day will conclude with an open to "all ages" salsa dance lesson followed by a grand finale public concert featuring guest artists Orlando Cotto and David Stanoch performing with the MSUM "Fuego Tropical" Steel Drum and Salsa Ensemble as they perform a selection of sizzling Afro-Cuban salsa and Trinidadian musical hits/ Day of Percussion is scheduled for November 7, 2020.

MSUMoorhead Performing Arts Series	Clay County	\$2,326
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The MSUM Performing Arts Series will educate, entertain and inspire Moorhead and area residents by bringing Flamenco Vivo -Carlota Santana, an authentic Spanish flamenco group (dancers and musicians), for a public performance and a flamenco dance workshop for senior citizens. These events will take place on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020 on the Hansen Theatre stage in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts. Flamenco Vivo - Carlota Santana is a group of dancers and musicians that perform works from Andalucía, the Southern region of Spain known as the "cradle of flamenco." The troupe will lead a flamenco workshop for senior citizens through the City of Moorhead's Senior Connections program.

New Rivers Press	Clay County	\$2,530
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New Rivers Press will print and publish a new manuscript, "You May Have the Suitcase Now" by Beadelaine Pierre. The book will be distributed to libraries in the region through the Northern Lights Library Network. A study guide will accompany the book for area book clubs and individuals with discussion topics. Pierre documents her journey as a Haitian born immigrant to Minnesota. "I am Haitian born and raised and now live in Minnesota with my two children. I count myself among many Haitians who never dreamed of making the United States their home, yet after nine years I still remain tempted by its promises. The following manuscript contains essays through which I grapple with my wars relating to memories, homes, languages, and identities." Beadelaine Pierre

**Project Grants (continued)****Arts Organizations and Public Institutions up to \$3,000, 20% match**


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New York Mills Cultural Center	Otter Tail County	\$2,470
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NY Mills Cultural Center will sponsor an artist residency with global multi-instrumentalist Todd Green in NYM/Perham: Todd will perform a concert on March 14, 2020, featuring original music inspired by many different cultures in the Middle East, Central Asia, Far East and South America on over 30 acoustic string, flute and percussion instruments from these regions. During the week of March 10 through 14, Green will provide show and tell educational programs and master classes for various students of all ages and seniors in the two communities. Todd Green's artistic mission statement perfectly explains the overall purpose of their project: "To help break down the barriers that divide us by experiencing other cultures through their music."

Ulen Hitterdal School	Clay County	\$1,270
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Ulen Hitterdal School will sponsor an artist residency program with printmaker artist, Cameron Peterson, who creates linoleum cuts, monotypes and mono prints. The residency will include classes for K - 6 grade students, discussing how printmaking is done, displaying his art and art of related artists, demonstrating the designing and cutting of blocks, and how to create different effects of this art form. Peterson will also work with 7-12 grade art classes. These students will be able to create their own art pieces using printmaking blocks and art supplies. He will demonstrate and instruct on how to attain a variety of effects, and how he makes specific choices. The public will be invited to view his work along with other printmakers and to listen to an artist talk. This event is tentatively scheduled for October 14 and 15, 2020.

Ulen Hitterdal School	Clay County	\$2,969
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Ulen Hitterdal School will present the musical "Mama Mia", working with professional choreographer Matthew Kasper to improve the students' dance skills. A portion of the grant funds will cover the rental of a commercial roll drop to present the tropical island atmosphere. In addition, grant funds will assist with the sound equipment rental to enhance the public's audio experience. This production was originally scheduled for April 2020 and is now tentatively rescheduled for July 31, and August 1, 2020.

Underwood Community Education	Otter Tail County	\$2,000
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Underwood Community Education will provide an artist residency for students to learn about theater, music and stage production with Prairie Fire Children's Theatre for a week long residency for completing grades 2 through 12. At the end of the week, the students would present two performances of "Peter Pan" for the public. Two theater artists would work with students to learn about stage presentations, voice projection, movement, staging, and back stage behavior. The event has been postponed until Spring 2021.

***Many of the organizations have postponed or cancelled their regular public activities during their 2020 season due to the COVID 19 Pandemic. LRAC has continued to provide basic Operating Support to the arts organizations.***

**Operating Support Grants****Arts Organizations apply for up to 10 % of expenses, \$6,000 maximum**


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Arts Of the Lakes Gallery	Otter Tail County	\$6,000
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The grant will fund a portion of the part time administrative employee for the 2020 season. AOTL has become an Arts destination for tourists and summer people, as well as community members. The Gallery, Art & Craft Affair, and Studio Tour are part of AOTL's annual arts programming along with workshops, exhibits, and monthly art programs and demonstrations -- all open to the public. The gallery is open daily during summer months and Fridays and Saturdays most of the year.

**Operating Support Grants (continued)****Arts Organizations apply for up to 10 % of expenses, \$6,000 maximum**

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Central Lakes Symphony Orchestra	Douglas County	\$3,450
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The grant will invest resources in three key staff members, Artistic Director, Executive Director, and Digital Media Coordinator, to support organizational growth and sustainable leadership by offering competitive. Throughout its 43 orchestra and chamber concerts in school and church venues throughout the community over the last decade, Central Lakes Symphony Orchestra has remained faithful to its original mission: to provide high quality music performed by local amateur and volunteer professional musicians in collaborative and inter-generational settings. In each of its seasons, CLSO organizes a "collaboration concert" to partner with other arts organizations from across the state in addition to its regular season of performances.

Evansville Arts Coalition	Douglas County	\$1,370
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This grant will fund a portion of the utilities for the coming 2020 season, including insurance and electricity. Evansville Arts Coalition provides an intimate venue for professional musicians who bring quality performances to their audiences. Regular concerts include the First Friday performances, Open Mike nights, and special events through the year. EAC provides artistic opportunities for all with their gallery, workshops, photography club, and other activities.

Fargo Moorhead Choral Artists	Clay County	\$5,870
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The grant will fund a portion of the salary of Artistic and Managing Director for their 2020 Season. FMCA provides a musical outlet for the finest choral musicians in the region. The singers come from many walks of life and are dedicated to performing choral music with artistry and precision to enrich and enhance the artistic communities within Minnesota and North Dakota. FMCA rehearses weekly on Tuesday evenings from September to April, and annually performs three subscription concerts, a benefit concert, and a free family holiday concert.

Gooseberry Park Players	Clay County	\$6,000
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The grant will fund a portion of the salaries of the Co Artistic Directors for the 2020 season. Gooseberry Park Players is 6+ week summer theatre program that provide young people, ages 11 to 18, with a unique educational and multi generational summer theatre experience. The program provides an opportunity for them to participate in the entire scope of a theatrical production. It provides young people with opportunities to develop creative outlets through the experience of drama. This year's production "Beauty and the Beast" is a classic story adapted by Disney.

Grant County Prairie Wind Players	Grant County	\$4,200
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The grant will pay a portion of the annual insurance premiums, utility, and event management system expenses for Prairie Wind Players 41st season. PWP has presented a range of theatrical performances including larger musicals, smaller cast comedies and dramas, improvisational arts, free 'open mic' events, and other special/custom performances only seen at Roosevelt Hall. With partnerships with other regional artists and organizations, their theatrical season provides a variety of concert events featuring artists of many genres.

Henning Landmark Center	Otter Tail County	\$6,000
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The grant will fund a portion of both the Director's salary and the utilities for the coming year. Landmark Center is located in a historic 103 year old home, serving as an arts retreat center, gallery and workshop venue, and a historic museum. Art projects have included Watercolor painting, Oil Painting, Rosemaling, Quilting, Hand stitching, Glass Blowing, Ceramics, Blacksmithing & Bladesmithing, woodworking, Reading group, Writers group, Kids Art Camp, and more.

**Operating Support Grants (continued)****Arts Organizations apply for up to 10 % of expenses, \$6,000 maximum**

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Lakes Chamber Music Society	Douglas County	\$2,800
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The grant will fund the music director's salary during the upcoming 2020 season and the office rent for the year. Festival of the Lakes is an annual classical chamber music concert series presented by the LCMS, the performances involve some of the most talented professional musicians in Minnesota and other parts of the US and Canada. A typical concert season includes three to four concerts.

New York Mills Cultural Center	Otter Tail County	\$6,000
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The grant will to pay a portion of the insurance and utilities and staff time for the Cultural Center's continued commitment to bring unique arts opportunities and artists to rural Minnesota. The Cultural Center hosts artists of all art disciplines from all over the world in their Arts Retreat artist residency program. The Center also presents 100+ events annually that reach approximately 7,000 people. These events include concerts, theatrical performance, gallery shows and receptions, workshops, festivals, readings, and artist pop-up events. Both the Great American Think-Off and the annual Kalevala Puppet Pageant have a long standing history of exceptional programming.

Perham Center for the Arts	Otter Tail County	\$3,730
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The grant will pay a portion of building insurance for the Perham Center for the Arts. The Perham Center for the Arts was founded in 2011 and is housed in the former St. Stanislaus Church building in Perham, Minnesota. PC4TA promotes arts education, appreciation and experiences for the community and surrounding region while strategically preserving a landmark headquarters and hub of arts activity such as concerts, touring performances, exhibits, workshops and a summer arts festival.

Phelps Mill County	Otter Tail County	\$5,410
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The grant will cover a portion of the manager and assistant manager's salaries for the 2020 36th annual Phelps Mill Festival in rural Otter Tail on July 11-12, 2020. The Festival combines high-quality arts and crafts for shopping, daily musical entertainment, and hands-on art activities for both children and adults attracting 20,000 each year (weather dependent). Festival grounds can accommodate up to 150 artists and there will be about 100 artist booths. Performances by regional musicians take place through the day at the stage area.

Prairie Renaissance Cultural Alliance	Stevens County	\$2,910
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The grant will to purchase and install track lighting in the gallery exhibit area and front windows to better showcase the art and items on display for both the retail sales gallery (Prairie Art and Gifts) featuring work by local and regional artists, and a small exhibition space. PRCA provides arts education, with a full roster of arts programming, artist exhibits; Art Share classes for all ages, and Prairie Arts Camp for children; hosting receptions for exhibitions, sponsoring both poetry and prose author readings, and occasionally organizing musical events.

Red Willow Arts Coalition	Douglas County	\$2,735
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The grant will fund the program director's salary for the upcoming 2020 season. RWAC will mark its eleventh season of concerts in 2020, producing fifteen weekly Thursday evening concerts in addition to a patriotic Independence Day concert. The concerts are held on the Douglas County Courthouse north lawn, and attract weekly audiences from 500 to well in excess of 1000. The children's play area and wide variety of genres provides an entertaining experience for the whole family.

**Operating Support Grants (continued)****Arts Organizations apply for up to 10 % of expenses, \$6,000 maximum**

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Terrace Mill Foundation

Pope County

\$2,900

The grant will cover a portion of the annual insurance premium and monthly utilities during their 2020 season. Terrace Mill's arts activities include a Saturday evening outdoor concert, the annual Children's Musical workshops and productions, and the annual Fall Festival.

The Rourke Art Gallery Museum

Clay County

\$6,000

The grant will cover a portion of the annual insurance premium during their 2020 season. The Rourke has been dedicated to showcasing regional talent with artistic excellence serving as the primary consideration in programming. The most celebrated artists in the region are regularly included in The Rourke's exhibition schedule. The Rourke is home to permanent collections which have grown to include over 5,000 works. The Permanent Collections of The Rourke Art Gallery Museum run the gamut from important regional art and major 20th and 21st century artists and movements to artifacts representing diverse global cultural traditions dating back from over 1,000 years ago to the present day.