R2AC 2010 Arts Project Grant Awards

Region 2 Arts Council (R2AC) awarded $31,370 in 2010 through the Arts Project Grants Program, designed for organizations and schools to create or produce an arts project or event. The grant recipients included:

**Northern Light Opera Company, Park Rapids,** received $1,880 to present a one-act opera buffa, “The Apothecary” by Franz Joseph Haydn on January 21-23, 2011.

**Depot Preservation Alliance, Baudette,** was awarded $2,000 to plan and host a grand reopening to celebrate the renovation of the 1932 former Canadian National Depot in Baudette, MN as a center for the arts, culture, history, housing and commerce.

**Schoolcraft Learning Community, Bemidji,** received $915 to present their Winter Concert at the Bemidji High School Performing Arts Center at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 2010, showcasing both the choirs and orchestras.

**St. Mary’s Mission School, Red Lake,** was awarded $3,000 to teach elementary school students weaving techniques to create art, which reflects how they see themselves in their culture and in relation to others.

**Minnesota Folklore Theater, Akeley,** received $3,000 to produce a community collaboration of “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat”

**Peacemaker Resources, Bemidji,** was awarded $3,000 to produce “Act Up”, an original and interactive theater production featuring Schoolcraft Learning Community elementary and middle school students.

**Red Bridge Film Festival, Park Rapids,** was awarded $1,500 to assist in funding the fourth annual Red Bridge Film Festival, which brings a visiting filmmaker, and six unusual films to Park Rapids, MN.

**Paul Bunyan Playhouse, Bemidji,** was awarded $2,445 to host "Positive Kids Performing Art" to conduct an acting/improvisation drama camp for local school children during spring break.

**Headwaters School of Music and Arts, Bemidji,** was awarded $2,270 to hire local artist Jane Freeman to conduct a four-day workshop that explores realism in watercolor.

**White Earth Tribal & Community College, Mahnomen,** received $1,500 to host internationally known performance artist, James Luna, as an artist in residence.

**Bemidji Community Arts Council Inc., Bemidji,** was awarded $1,500 to secure the Northern Clay Center exhibit “Six McKnight Artists” with special guest artists Leila Denecke and Marko Fields.

**Headwaters School of Music & Arts,** received $1500 to fund a series of music and art performances presented at Lake Bemidji State Park’s Amphitheater.
Pequana Playhouse, Baudette, was awarded $1,500 to assist in offering a children’s theater workshop production of “Snow White and the Seven Dwarves.”

Bemidji - First City of Arts Studio Cruise, Bemidji received $1,500 to assist in funding a self-guided tour for the general public of working artists in Bemidji at their studio locations, October 22-24, 2010.

Vital Communications, Bemidji was awarded $1,200 to assist in funding an original student production presented to Bemidji High School students and community.

Minnesota Folklore Theater, Akeley was awarded $1,295 to present the “High School Version of GREASE” as part of their Children's Theater.

North Country Museum of the Arts, Park Rapids was awarded $1,365 to fund a live performance by nationally acclaimed country singer and song-writer Darden Smith.