



The R2AC/McKnight Career Development Fellowship is an 18-month fellowship program providing the opportunity for career development experiences intended to add depth and advancement to the artistic career of established artists in all disciplines. In October 2011, R2AC awarded \$6000 to two established artists in Region 2.

Al Belleveau, a local sculptor and founding member of the Bemidji Sculpture Walk, was awarded \$6,000 to research cave paintings and other ancient representations of the human figure, study stone carving with sculptor Zoran Mosjilov, and gather stones in Canada to create 4 -5 large human forms from stones wrapped in steel.

Del Lyren, Department Chair and Professor of Instrumental Music at Bemidji State University, was awarded \$6,000 to study jazz improvisation including lessons on an Electronic Wind Instrument with professional saxophonist Jeff Coffin.



FY 2012 Fellowship Grant Recipients Del Lyren and Al Belleveau pose with R2AC Executive Director Terri Widman