



## **Individual Artist Grants Awarded in FY2017**

Region 2 Arts Council (R2AC) awarded \$18,000 through the Individual Artist Grant Program to individual artists in Beltrami, Hubbard and Lake of the Woods Counties in FY2017. The purpose of this grant is to stimulate new artistic endeavors in the region by providing project assistance to regional artists who are seriously committed to their work and to the advancement of their artistic careers. The Individual Artist Grant Program is supported by a grant from the McKnight Foundation.

**Cynthia Hamilton, Williams**, received \$1,721 to create traditional moccasins and mukluks.

**Mary Knox Johnson, Bemidji**, received \$2,000 to research and write about local gangsters for her book, *Gangsters Among Us*.

**Vicki Morrison Goble, Baudette**, was awarded \$2,000 to produce a promotional website and music samples.

**Scott Knudson, Bemidji**, was awarded \$2,000 to purchase and build a computer system for video editing.

**Joe Morgan, Park Rapids**, received \$2,000 for the creation of fine furniture to sell at art shows.

**Peter McKenzie, Redby**, received \$2,000 for skill training in audio production and song writing.

**Les Sanders, Bemidji**, was awarded \$2,000 to teach master level woodcarving classes and purchase woodcarving tools for that purpose.

**Anne Washburn, Hines**, received \$2,000 to create "Expressions of the Animals," a series of drawings and paintings for exhibition.

**Terry Honstead, Tenstrike**, was awarded \$2,000 to purchase a computer to help market her artwork.

**Fran O'Brien, Bemidji**, received \$279 to help fund lessons in piano & voice at Headwaters School of Music and rent space at Rail River Folk School for practice and rehearsal time with other local musicians.