Young Artist Grants Awarded FY2017

Region 2 Arts Council (R2AC) awarded $6,000 in Young Artist Grants for in FY2017. This grant was designed to fund student artists in 8th-12th grade to attend an arts camp, class, or workshop or to study one-on-one with an artist mentor or instructor. The funds are used to create opportunities for arts access, arts education, and the arts and cultural heritage activities that build bridges between Minnesotans and are made available through an appropriation by the Minnesota State Legislature Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund passed by Minnesota voters on November 4, 2008.

**FY2017 recipients included:**

**Sierra Charwood** of Bemidji received $474 to attend Headwaters School of Music & the Arts’ 2017 Fiddle Camp.

**Josibeth Aguilera** of Bemidji was awarded $600 to study painting on silk with painter and batik artist Mary Therese.

**Quinn Knott** of Bemidji received $600 to study woodcarving and wood burning techniques with woodcarver Les Sanders.

**Allison Koos** of Bemidji was awarded $600 to study graphite and colored pencil drawing techniques with artist Anne Washburn.

**Korben Ward** of Bemidji received $600 to study guitar techniques with musician Lou Samsa.

**Zachary Schueller** of Laporte received $600 to study trumpet with Paul Loxtercamp.

**Joshua Schueller** of Laporte received $600 to study violin with Dr. Dina Neglia-Khachatryan.