



2014 R2AC Artist Mentor Grant Awards

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The Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment, passed by Minnesota voters on November 4, 2008, has made it possible for the Region 2 Arts Council to award \$7,003 in Artist Mentor Grants to young artists in our region.

Region 2 Arts Council Artist Mentor grants were awarded to eight 8th-12th grade student artists to mentor with a professional artist or to attend a camp or workshop in their arts discipline.

Gwenfrewi Burger, a Beltrami County 11th Grader at Interlochen Arts Academy, MI, received \$600 to study cello performance at “Cello; an American Arts Experience” in Northfield, Minnesota.

Skylar Fynboh, a Hubbard County 10th grader at Nevis High School, received \$1,000 to study guitar with mentor Lou Samsa.

Emily Kivi, a Beltrami County 11th grader at Bemidji High School, received \$1,000 to study with mentor and BSU Faculty member, Eric Olson.

Madisyn Rick, a Beltrami County 11th grader at Bemidji High School, received \$403 to study dance at Just for Kix Summer Camp in Brainerd.

Alyssa Daken, a Beltrami County 10th grader at Kelliher High School, received \$1,000 to study computer-assisted illustration with mentor Nicholas Jackson.

Sophia Ramirez, a Beltrami County 8th grader at Bemidji Middle School, received \$1,000 to study music composition with mentor, Andrew Green.

Benjamin Larson, a Beltrami County homeschooled 11th grader, received \$1,000 to study piano with mentor, Dr. Paul Wirth.

Nikita Graves, a Beltrami County 8th grader at Bemidji Middle School, received \$1,000 to study drawing with mentor, Nicholas Jackson.

The next **Artist Mentor Grant** deadline is December 1, 2014

Applications are available in the Region 2 Arts Council Office, 426 Bemidji Avenue, Bemidji, MN 56601. Call 751-5447 or 1-800-275-5447 or go to r2arts.org for more information.