



Region 2 Arts Council awards Arts Access Grants for Small Towns

On May 21, 2018 the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors awarded \$18,000 through their Arts Access Grants for Small Towns program. These grants offer funding for the creation, production, and presentation of high-quality arts activities, as well as projects that help overcome barriers to accessing high-quality arts activities, and are available only to regional towns with a population under 2,000.

The grant recipients in FY 2018 included:

Depot Preservation Alliance received \$6,000 to host *Baudette Depot's 4th Annual Bluegrass Festival* on August 4th 2018, incorporating live music, food, and music seminars. (Lake of the Woods County)

Farm By The Lake received \$6,000 to host thirteen concerts in June, July, and August, culminating in an *Annual Art Festival* with three additional musical performances. (Clearwater County)

Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians received \$6,000 to produce the *Honoring Our Ancestors Art Festival* on September 27 and 28, 2018. The Festival will include art demonstrations and performances, showcasing traditional and contemporary Anishinaabe arts. (Beltrami County)



These funds are made available through an appropriation by the Minnesota State Legislature Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund passed by Minnesota voters on November 4, 2008.