On December 18, 2019, the Region 2 Arts Council granted $6,000 in Arts and Cultural Heritage funds through the Anishinaabe Arts Initiative (AAI) Program, which is governed by the AAI Council. The Cultural Traditions in the Arts Grants awarded support the creation, production, and presentation of high quality arts activities that represent the diverse ethnic and cultural arts traditions in our state and arts projects and programming specifically meant to build bridges between Minnesotans through arts and culture.

**Bemidji State University** was awarded $3,000 to hire award-winning Native American flute player, Jan Michael Looking Wolf to provide a two-part public flute instruction workshop and an interactive live performance.

**Headwaters Music & Arts** was awarded $3,000 to hold a five day music performance and songwriting workshop for fiddle, viola, guitar, cello, bass and ukulele players with a cultural/historical focus on Minnesota’s frontier era of the mid 1800’s.

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