



REGION 2
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Region 2 Arts Council Awards \$22,823 in Arts Learning Grants

On January 19, 2021 the Region 2 Arts Council Board of Directors granted \$22,823 in Arts and Cultural Heritage funds to the schools and non-profit organizations listed below. These grants support high-quality arts education that develops knowledge, skills, and understanding of the arts for the benefit of Minnesotans of all ages across our five-county region.

Headwaters Music and Arts of Bemidji was awarded \$2,973 to establish a production club for area youth to learn video, audio, and graphics production.

Clear Waters Life Center in Clearbrook and Gonvick was awarded \$3,000 to offer two outdoor workshops, one teaching creative sidewalk design and poured cement creations, and another teaching found object sculpture welding and design.

Northern Light Opera Company of Park Rapids was awarded \$3,000 to provide a 3-week children's theater camp, NLOKids, in collaboration with Pine Point School in Pine Point MN.

Bemidji State University Center for Extended Learning was awarded \$2,000 to provide 15 writers from our region access as auditors to the virtual Minnesota Northwoods Writers Conference, as well as a scholarship for one local writer to attend a full workshop.

Bagley Area Arts Collaborative was awarded \$3,000 to offer a series of three photography workshops hosted by Lowell Wolff, as well as a series of photo sessions with photojournalist Monika Lawrence to capture the stories of 10 area artists.

The Northern Artist Association of Bemidji was awarded \$2,850 to offer, in partnership with Gallery North, free art classes supplemented with video tutorials and Do It Yourself Kits.

Bemidji Community Theater was awarded \$3,000 to hire professional puppeteer Ezra Bartsch to video tape the construction of a large reindeer puppet to be used for outreach activities, as well as in an upcoming production of Frozen Jr. in 2022.

Bemidji Sculpture Walk was awarded \$3,000 to create a series of YouTube video lessons, targeted to students in grades 7 to 12 and adult artists, about how to get started creating a metal sculpture, including equipment needs, materials, techniques and local resources to assist in development.

Region 2 Arts Council Arts Learning Grants are made possible by the voters of Minnesota thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.