



Region 2 awards \$5,592 in Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grants

On February 10, 2021, the Region 2 Arts Council awarded \$5,592 through the Anishinaabe Arts Initiative (AAI) Program, which is governed by the AAI Council. These grants support and promote traditional and contemporary Native American artists in our region.

Grant recipients include:

Wendy Jourdain, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians was awarded \$1,000 to purchase materials to sew and bead a traditional Men's Ojibwe Woodland Outfit made out of leather, fabric, beads, feathers, and bone.

Faye Neeland of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was awarded \$953 to purchase screen printing equipment and supplies to recreate her paintings on t-shirts and other clothing.

Roselynn Jones, a descendent of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Pillager Band of White Earth Reservation, was awarded \$992 to create and design graphic works of art for a variety of mediums that include jewelry, apparel, decals, and house ware.

Wayne Reyes Jr. of the Bad River Band of Chippewa Indians was awarded \$1,000 to purchase tools, materials, and equipment to create traditional carved pipes and regalia pieces.

Ronald Turney Jr. of the White Earth Nation was awarded \$1,000 to create a traditional Ojibwe bandolier bag using a blend of birchbark, porcupine quills and hair, sweetgrass, woven cedar, and black velvet.

Bambi Goodwin of the White Earth Nation was awarded \$647 to purchase and install a new venting system in her home ceramic studio to eliminate toxic fumes when firing.

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Current AAI Council members are Debra Warren, Genny Lowry, Bernice Mitchell-Diver, Delana Smith, Mary Ringhand, David Ben White, and Kent Estey