



Arts Grants Awarded in Beltrami County

Region 2 Arts Council (R2AC) awarded \$155,274 to arts organizations, non-profits, institutions of higher learning, and individual artists in Beltrami County in FY 2022.

Blair Treuer, a Bemidji textile artist and storyteller was awarded a \$6,000 R2AC Artist Fellowship.

Joe Holt, a Bemidji singer/songwriter was awarded a \$6,000 R2AC Artist Fellowship.

Doyle Turner a Bemidji singer/songwriter and member of the White Earth Nation was awarded a \$5,000 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Fellowship

Bemidji Chorale was awarded \$3,000 in annual operating support through the 2-year Community Art Support Grant.

Bemidji Community Theater was awarded \$7,000 in annual operating support through the 2-year Community Art Support Grant.

Bemidji Sculpture Walk was awarded \$4,000 in annual operating support through the 2-year Community Art Support Grant.

Bemidji Symphony Orchestra was awarded \$7,000 in annual operating support through the 2-year Community Art Support Grant.

Northern Artist Association was awarded \$5,000 in annual operating support through the 2-year Community Art Support Grant.

Bemidji Symphony Orchestra was awarded a \$2,500 Arts Project Grant to hire a consultant to assess their current fundraising and help develop fundraising ideas, methods and new tools.

The Northern Artist Association in Bemidji was awarded a \$2,500 Arts Project Grant to host a series of summer art workshops in a variety of genres for young people aged 8 through 18.

Bemidji Symphony Orchestra was awarded a \$2,500 Arts Project Grant to stage a concert featuring Bemidji's own Brass Quintet on Eric Ewazen's Concerto for Brass Quintet and Orchestra

titled "Shadowcatcher" as well as the entire orchestra performing Florence Price's Symphony No. 4 in D Minor.

Bemidji Community Theater was awarded a \$2,500 Arts Project Grant to engage a professional puppeteer to work with children to create a performance piece using puppets to represent children's viewpoints about the covid pandemic from various cultural perspectives.

Doyle Turner of the White Earth Nation was awarded a \$1,000 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant to attend the Steve Seskin Songwriting Seminar at the Bluebird Café in Nashville.

Nancy Beaulieu of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was awarded a \$913 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant to create handcrafted artisan soaps using earth friendly natural ingredients and packaging.

Deanna Croaker of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was awarded a \$1,000 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant to photograph lakes within Ojibwe territory to use in creating custom cabochons to be incorporated into her jewelry collections.

Flora Jones of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians was awarded a \$1,000 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant to teach classes on how to sew star quilt baby blankets with young people in the community.

Clem May of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians was awarded a \$1,000 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant to purchase materials and supplies to continue painting.

Jerrilyn Graves of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians was awarded an \$800 Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant to purchase supplies and equipment to create beadwork jewelry and art pieces for sale.

Bemidji Community Theater was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Learning Grant to provide internships to young people new to theater and mentor them in stagecraft skills.

Headwaters Music & Arts was awarded a \$4,673 Arts Learning Grant to host a week-long fiddle camp for area string musicians.

Bemidji Woodcarvers Club was awarded a \$2,771 Arts Learning Grant to host a 2-day class with artist Rhonda Smith on artistic techniques and applications using colored pencils as a medium.

Charles Alberti of Bemidji was awarded a \$2,000 Individual Artist Grant to support the creation of a booklet depicting imagery that embraces the relationship of music to wavelengths and frequencies of color.

Nicholas Jackson of Bemidji was awarded a \$1,841 Individual Artist Grant to assist in the creation of art videos that explore artist life, techniques, creativity, and encourage fellow artists.

Kathy Gustafson of Bemidji was awarded a \$1,700 Individual Artist Grant to assist in the creation and publication of a wildlife coloring book for both children and adults.

Alyss Mountain of Bemidji was awarded a \$2,000 Individual Artist Grant to create a collection of beaded portraits of historical leaders from her community as a way to make beadwork more appealing to younger generations.

Les Sanders of Bemidji was awarded a \$1,629 Individual Artist Grant to purchase supplies and materials to offer arts workshops to teach adults and youth intermediate and advanced art skills.

Mary Overlie of Bemidji was awarded a \$1,000 Individual Artist Grant to assist in the recording and production of a debut album with her new band, Augmeanted.

Headwaters Music & Arts in Bemidji was awarded a \$2,730 Arts Access Grant to host a community book reading and related activities based on "One Goal: A coach, a Team, and a Game That Brought a Divided Town Together" written by award-winning author Amy Bass.

Bemidji Community Theater was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Access Grant to mount a full stage production of The Wizard of Oz.

The Northern Artist Association in Bemidji was awarded a \$4,110 Arts Access Grant to offer free art classes at Gallery North including video tutorials and materials packets for those attending remotely.

Pride Support Network in Bemidji was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Access Grant to host Bemidji Pride, a celebratory, interactive, one-day event featuring artists of multiple genres enhancing the lives and visibility of LGBT2S+ individuals, families, and allies in the Bemidji community.

Red Lake Middle School was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Access Grant to engage resident artists Lady Midnight and Dexter to work with all seventh grade students to write lyrics to a song, record the song, and create a music video.

Mask & Rose Women's Theater Collective in Puposky was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Access Grant to produce "Water From Snow," an original musical by Minnesota artist Janet Preus, in a concert showcase format, garnering audience feedback and leading to full production.

The Boys & Girls Club of Bemidji was awarded a \$5,997 Arts Access Grant to collaborate with the Neilson Spearhead Center to offer teens the opportunity draw and paint local birds with artist Mary Therese and take part in creating a public mural.

The Watermark Art Center in Bemidji was awarded a \$5,007 Arts Access Grant to host It's Only Clay, a high quality, national art exhibit and community workshop with this year's guest artist and juror Delores Fortuna.

The Bemidji Senior Center was awarded a \$2,000 Arts Access Grant to offer eight two-hour sessions with artists Les and Kathy Sanders to teach watercolor pencil and acrylic poured paint techniques.

The City of Bemidji Parks & Recreation Department was awarded a \$5,645 Arts Access Grant to host a Summer Theater Day Camp for youth in collaboration with Bemidji Community Theater.

Bemidji Dance Academy was awarded a \$5,996 Arts Access Grant to offer a bi-monthly series of family dance parties focusing on multigenerational family-friendly movement and dance activities.

The Bemidji Symphony Orchestra was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Access Grant to mount a concert featuring Dr. Scott Sandberg performing Eric Ewazen's Classical Concerto for Tenor Saxophone and the orchestra performing Duke Ellington's Black Brown and Beige Suite and A Medley for Orchestra.

Bemidji State University Music Department was awarded a \$6,000 Arts Access Grant to host, in collaboration with the Silent Voices Project, a chamber music festival featuring recent compositions by womxn composers.

Beltrami County Historical Society in Bemidji was awarded a \$3,062 Arts Access Grant to produce Depot Days!, an annual history celebration showcasing local musicians.

Lainey Searles of Bemidji was awarded a \$600 Young Artist Grant to study violin with Dr. Eric Olson.

Harris Barry of Bemidji was awarded a \$600 Young Artist Grant to study guitar with Lou Samsa.

Helen Bartlett of Bemidji was awarded a \$600 Young Artist Grant to study vocal performance with Dr. Jennifer Olson.

Maggie Loxtercamp of Bemidji was awarded a \$600 Young Artist Grant to attend Minneapolis Children's Theatre Company summer camp and to study vocal performance with Dr. Jennifer Olson.