



Region 2 Arts Council and Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Council award \$7,703 to individual artists

On January 12, 2022, the Region 2 Arts Council's Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Council awarded \$7,703 to enrolled tribal members or descendants creating art in our region. The Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Grant program is supported by a grant from the McKnight Foundation to fund costs associated with the exhibition, performance, or production of a creative work, purchase of materials or equipment to create works of art, educational opportunities in the arts, and proposals for projects or opportunities to enhance the career of an individual artists that are enrolled tribal members or descendants residing in the Minnesota counties of Becker, Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Hubbard, Itasca, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, or Roseau.

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

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

Deanna Croaker of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was awarded \$1,000 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 \$1,000 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 \$1,000 to purchase materials and supplies to continue painting.

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

Nancy Kingbird of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was awarded \$990 to purchase supplies and equipment needed to work with local women in creating culturally based art projects to help them reflect on themselves as Anishinaabe people.

Mikeal Archambault of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was awarded \$1,000 to improve his skills as a painter to assist in his personal goal of becoming a career artist.

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