



Dane County Awards \$115,193 in Grants to Local Arts Organizations

*Dane Arts Awards Grants Supporting Arts & Cultural Activities
Countywide with Public-Private Funds*

Dozens of local organizations that promote community arts, history, and culture are receiving Dane Arts grants, acting County Executive Patrick Miles and the Dane County Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission announced today. In cycle 1 for Dane Arts grants in 2024, 65 projects, five short orders, and four capital requests totaling \$115,193 were recently awarded.

“Dane County is proud to have an active community of local artists that we can help spotlight through the biannual Dane Arts grants,” acting County Executive Patrick Miles said.

“Congratulations to this year’s recipients. Their artistic expression is an important part of telling and inspiring the Dane County story of who we are as a community.”

The Dane Arts grants are funded by county dollars in conjunction with private donations from the Endres Manufacturing Company Foundation, the W. Jerome Frautschi Foundation, and the Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation.

“Dane Arts continues to support the incredible work of our creative economy, and I am amazed at the impressive artistic merit of Dane County,” Dane Arts Director Mark Fraire said.

Dane County’s Dane Arts will award over \$218,000 in public-private funds to nonprofit organizations, schools, individuals, and municipalities for arts, cultural, local history projects and other community arts programs offered countywide.

The next project grant deadline is August 1, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

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Grant recipients are listed below this announcement.

Dane County Arts and Cultural Affairs: 2024 Cycle 1 Grants

Arts in Education

American Players Theatre - 2024 Student Matinees & Workshops

Award: \$2,052

APT will perform student matinees of William Shakespeare “Much Ado About Nothing” and “King Lear” and Nathan Alan Davis “Nat Turner in Jerusalem,” for approximately 3,000 Dane County middle and high school students. Post-show discussions, study guides, and accompanying workshops with APT teaching artists will be provided to complement the theatrical experience.

Arts & Literature Laboratory, Inc. - ALL Arts Outreach 2024-2025

Award: \$2,061

Arts + Literature Laboratory’s ALL Arts Outreach Program focuses on removing barriers for youth, families, and seniors to access high-quality arts education.

Benjamin Fritz - Children's Film Academy of Madison Snow White Post Production

Award: \$1,478

Snow White is Children’s Film Academy of Madison’s second College Crew Series Production, with a cast of youth from Dane and Sauk County and Rockford, Ill. It was directed by UW-Whitewater senior Ryan Cuccia on location in Spring Green, Wisconsin.

Girls Rock Camp Madison - Girls Rock Camp Madison

Award: \$1,162

Girls Rock Camp Madison is a one-week day camp for girls/trans/non-binary youth; ages 8-18 where campers learn an instrument, write a song, form a band, record in a professional recording studio, then rock out in front of hundreds of screaming fans at a showcase. GRC Madison’s mission is to support a culture of positive self-esteem and collaboration among our campers while building community through music.

Madison Jazz Society, Inc - Madison Jazz Society School Residency Program: 2024-2025

Award: \$1,982

MJS School Residencies provide K-12 students and teachers access to high-quality jazz music experiences. Students learn from musicians who share their love of this unique and important American art form, offer hands-on music making opportunities, and share the significance of jazz and its relationship to the formation of other genres.

Madison Reading Project - Summer Reading Books & Art Summer Inspiration Kits

Award: \$1,370

The “Summer Reading Books and Art Inspiration Kits” project is a partnership with countywide neighborhood centers and social services organizations. They connect the community with free

books and literacy resources to ignite a love for reading that reflects and affirms the unique identities of young readers.

Madison Symphony Orchestra Inc. - *Symphony Soup 2024*

Award: \$1,961

Symphony Soup is a special way for students in kindergarten through third grade to learn about classical music through the experience of a live symphony concert.

Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center - *Lakeside Kids 2024*

Award: \$763

Monona Terrace organizes “Lakeside Kids,” an innovative program that provides cultural and arts-focused play activities that bring visual and performing arts to children ages four and up. Lakeside Kids is free to the public and is enjoyed by families of all income levels.

Opera for the Young - *Countywide school tour of a new production of the opera “The Magic Flute” by W.A. Mozart*

Award: \$2,095

Funding from Dane Arts will support the countywide school tour of OFTY’s new production of “The Magic Flute” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Teaching materials will include Tutorial Videos, a Student Handbook, a Teacher’s Guide about opera and “The Magic Flute,” and activities for integration of the opera into academic subjects.

Simpson Street Free Press - *Writing for Publication: The Arts and Local History in Dane County*

Award: \$922

SSFP’s coverage of local history and the arts engages students in the cultural mosaic that is Dane County. Young reporters explore history and the arts, and they tell stories in authentic youth voice. Young readers explore fascinating newspaper content that celebrates Dane County.

Dance

Dance Wisconsin - *Dance Wisconsin presents Revolution*

Award: \$1,649

Dance Wisconsin’s New Works production, Revolution, will be an evening of original choreography. Choreographers have been challenged to create pieces in styles of their choice put to pieces of music from different musical eras. This challenge will result in a program that will take the audience on a journey through musical time while showcasing the dancer’s skills in different dance styles.

Isthmus Dance Collective Inc - *Shifting Gears Bike Path Dance Festival 2024 - Artist Honoraria*

Award: \$1,873

The Isthmus Dance Collective is back Labor Day 2024 for its fourth Annual Shifting Gears Bike Path Dance Festival. Dozens of professional regional dance artists are slated to perform and teach interactive mini lessons at three beautiful parks along Madison’s bike paths: Brittingham Park, McPike Park, and Wirth Court Park.

KLJ Movement Inc. - *All that Glitterz, a KLJ Movement Dance Production*

Award: \$1,913

As a society, we enjoy the fruits of the result, witness the surface of experiences, and bystand between what we passively see. What happens when we see the process, the failures? All that Glitterz, a dance production by KLJ Movement, explores the famous saying through an abstract adaptation of marginalized communities' daily experiences.

Li Chiao-Ping Dance - *Summer Exploratory Experimental Dance Festival 2024*

Award: \$2,013

The 2024 SEED Intensive & Performance Festival is an opportunity for people of every age and ability to join the Li Chiao-Ping Dance community in a week-long celebration & exploration of movement, breath, and creativity. Offerings include a wide variety of movement classes, discussions, workshops, and two performances at the conclusion of the festival. Another exciting offering is the community workshop, where participants collaborate with Li Chiao-Ping!

Madison Contemporary Dance - *Voices Collaboration Project*

Award: \$2,021

The Voices Collaboration Project reaffirms Madison Contemporary Dance's dedication to building relationships within dance studio and street-style communities to create opportunities for artists and families in Dane County by creating new dance works by underrepresented artists, fostering connections among dancers from different backgrounds, offering no-fee classes, and hosting performances.

The Hitterz Collective LLC - *Fusion Concept USA Dance Qualifier*

Award: \$2,035

The Fusion Concept USA Dance Qualifier brings a world tour of the finest hip hop dance artists across the country and around the world to Dane County, supporting education and healing for all ages through this expressive art form.

UW Dance Exchange - UW Dance Department (UW Foundation) - *UW Dance Exchange*

Award: \$2,019

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Dance Exchange (UWDE) is an emerging dance engagement program deeply rooted in amplifying underrepresented cultural narratives through dance in community places. Our free and reduced fee programs, including 15-week artist residencies and single workshops, culminate in social events that prompt meaningful cultural exchanges.

Local History

Dane County Historical Society - *Racial Covenants - Traveling Exhibit*

Award: \$1,341

Racial land covenants were an insidious legal tool that prevented millions of African Americans from accessing the American Dream. House sales were restricted by race by inserting a single

sentence into a land deed. Find out more by visiting the Dane County Historical Society's traveling exhibit at a location near you.

Multidisciplinary Arts/Culture

ARTS for ALL Wisconsin, Inc. - *Veterans Arts Studio – Madison*

Award: \$1,189

ARTS for ALL Wisconsin Veterans Arts Studios offer creative arts experiences to increase arts opportunities for veterans, foster a sense of identity and belonging, deepen appreciation of both the new and the familiar, build confidence and a sense of accomplishment, and to contribute to a network of support for veterans.

Disability Pride Madison - *Disability Pride Festival 2024*

Award: \$2,075

The Disability Pride Festival celebrates the lives and civil rights of all people with disabilities. Through art and performance, it will share stories, break down and end internalized shame and stereotypes, and build a stronger, more inclusive community for everyone. The festival runs from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and has a performance stage, many exhibitors, children's programming, and adaptive athletics.

From The Front Row - *From the Front Row - A Live Concert Video Series (Episodes 3-6)*

Award: \$1,835

From The Front Row is a Madison-based live concert series and video program that showcases local Madison and Midwest musical artists in picturesque spaces, creating an event that is uniquely Midwest.

Katherine Kramer Projects - *Breath of Fresh Art*

Award: \$1,645

A Breath of Fresh Art is a multi-disciplinary performance and visual arts event taking place west of Verona in Primrose. It is held on the grounds of Primrose Retreat. Dancers, Musicians, Theater and Spoken Word artists, and Visual Artists will present their work in locations throughout the property.

LunART, Inc. - *LunART Festival 2024 "REBIRTH"*

Award: \$2,010

The mission of LunART is to support, inspire, promote, and celebrate women in the arts through public performances, exhibitions, workshops, and interdisciplinary collaboration; thus enriching the community and creating a welcoming space for learning and experimentation. The driving idea of LunART is to create a vibrant, safe space for all women where creativity is the queen.

Madison Children's Museum - *Roadshow 2024*

Award: \$2,033

Roadshow brings free, hands-on exhibits and arts programming to historically underserved children, families, and community groups throughout Dane County. From June through December 2024, the program will bring an interactive, arts-rich, and mobile MCM experience and distribute thousands of free MCM admission passes at 60 public community events.

Madison Circus Space - Wonder Circus - Madison Circus Space Spring 2024

Award: \$1,959

Madison Circus Space presents “The Wonder Circus,” a celebration of all things awe-inspiring, from the cosmos to the human experience, and featuring aerial and floor dance, juggling, and clowning. Three family-friendly performances will be available to the public.

Midwest Mujeres, Inc. – 2024 Yo Quiero Dinero: Our Stories Have Value, Midwest Mujeres' annual event

Award: \$1,814

Join Midwest Mujeres on Saturday, June 15 at the MyArts Theater for their annual “Yo Quiero Dinero” event, spotlighting the stories of women undervalued and marginalized by mainstream society. Dedicated to addressing the racial wealth gap, this empowering gathering will provide a platform for women to share their authentic narratives of economic survival, fostering understanding and solidarity within the community.

Neighborhood House Community Center - Madison Good Neighbor Gathering

Award: \$1,964

The Neighborhood House Community Center’s mission statement is to cultivate a sense of community through active lifestyles, embracing cultural diversity through the mediums of music and art, and providing avenues for youth to discover and engage within their local neighborhood and city. The Madison Good Neighbor Gathering will feature stage and circus performances from many cultures, hands-on learning experiences for school-age kids, local food trucks, a bouncy slide, and information tables from area organizations.

Oiñ Productions - Summer of Love and Community Connection 2024

Award: \$2,074

Summer of Love and Community Connection (SoL) is a multicultural and multidisciplinary festival comprising education, experience, wellness, and entertainment. On Saturday, August 24 in Leopold Park, participants will experience a variety of art forms including dance, music, circus, painting, and games. The day will culminate with live music and performances.

Rachel Werner - The Little Book WI Project: Edition #8 (“Identity”)

Award: \$1,423

The Little Book WI Project weaves together visual and literary arts focused on a central theme, providing a mechanism to spark “uncensored” public discourse by providing a platform for artists from a variety of disciplines, especially those who have encountered barriers to making their work accessible to a wider audience.

Sessions at McPike Park, Inc. - The Sessions in 2024: Los Tangueros, Street Bands, Mokoomba, and More

Award: \$1,476

The 2024 Sessions at McPike Park are seven evenings and four weekend afternoons of local, national, and international music, dance, and stand-up comedy. The free events enable the community to take in excellent artistic performances from near and far.

Social Justice Center - *The Human Show at Cafe CODA*

Award: \$1,279

The Human Show is a monthly interview/variety show hosted by Stephanie Rearick at Willy Street's Cafe CODA. It will feature interview guests from John Nichols to Alice Howard of Allied Community Coop, and music guests from Hanah Jon Taylor to young students showing their talents in a piano recital. The show is free, live, and livestreamed.

Music

Arts & Literature Laboratory, Inc. - *Madison Jazz Festival 2024*

Award: \$1,982

The Madison Jazz Festival is a 10-day celebration of jazz throughout Greater Madison, culminating with a headlining concert at the Memorial Union Terrace. Programs ranging from talks and film screenings to concerts, collaborative performances, and jazz jams occur daily from June 7-16, 2024.

Bach Dancing & Dynamite Society - *High Fidelity--Bach Dancing & Dynamite Society's 33rd Summer Chamber Music Festival*

Award: \$1,802

Bach Dancing & Dynamite Society combines musicians from around the country, meaningful traditional and new diverse repertoire, and delightful surprises to create a joyful summer festival of 12 concerts in three weekends in June. A special collaboration will feature Madison Youth Choirs and the Madison Choral Project.

City of Middleton Community Development Authority (CDA) - *Strollin' Middleton Jazz Festival 2024*

Award: \$1,801

Strollin' Middleton Jazz Festival increases the vibrancy of downtown Middleton and showcases the talent of its local jazz community. Music fans of all ages can sample a stylistically diverse range of live jazz music at locations throughout downtown and on the main stage at the new Stone Horse Green.

con vivo!...music with life - *con vivo! presents "Spring Romance"*

Award: \$1,122

con vivo!...music with life presents "Spring Romance," a performance of live chamber music on Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at First Congregational Church in Madison.

Dane Dances - *DANE DANCES! 2024*

Award: \$1,062

In its milestone 25th season in 2024, Dane Dances! continues to be one of the premier trademark summer activities in Dane County. It is also recognized as the most successful volunteer community effort at promoting racial and cultural diversity and bringing people of all ages, racial and ethnic backgrounds, and incomes together.

Friends of Allen Centennial Gardens, Inc. - *Summer Sundays: Jazz in the Garden 2024*

Award: \$1,955

Summer Days offers compact 75-minute jazz concerts, free on alternating Sundays June through August. Kicking off during the Madison Jazz Festival and covering a wide variety of jazz styles, this family-friendly outdoor series showcases the area's best local musicians in the inspiring natural surrounds of Allen Centennial Garden.

Grace Presents - *Grace Presents - Artist Honoraria and Technology Support for 2024 season*
Award: \$1,573

The Grace Presents concert series provides free monthly concerts, connecting Madison's diverse communities to local musical performances in the acoustically resonant historic Grace Church. Offering a range of musical styles reflective of Dane County's cultural diversity, these concerts feature exceptionally talented, locally-based musicians, and are free to enjoy either live in-person or via streaming from the safety of one's home.

Handel Aria Competition - *11th Annual Handel Aria Competition*
Award: \$1,215

The 11th annual Handel Aria Competition, promoting the performance and appreciation of Handel's vocal repertoire, will again captivate audiences. Founders Dean and Orange Schroeder are thrilled to offer the community this music for more than a decade. Audiences can also hear youth performing during the High School Singers Showcase.

Jazz at Five, Inc. - *Continued support for Jazz at Five*
Award: \$1,225

The Jazz at Five Summer Performance series begins in August. Join us at the top of State Street and enjoy their free neighborhood concert series for five Wednesdays starting August 7. Hosting a range of youth, local and national artists, come experience the sounds of summer in downtown Madison.

Just Bach - *Just Bach Season 7*
Award: \$1,088

Just Bach is a free monthly concert series celebrating the music of J.S. Bach. Founded to share the immense range of Bach's repertoire, musicians use performance conventions that were present when Bach lived, in order to bring the music to life in that style that (we think) Bach intended.

Kristin Redman - *Auricle 2024-2025*
Award: \$1,767

Auricle is a new music concert series focusing on experimental music and sound art curated by Phil and Cricket Redman. Through a mix of free and ticketed concerts held from September 2024 through May 2025, Auricle will connect Dane County audiences with local, national, and international musical innovators.

Kuumba Renaissance LTD - *Cool School—Saturday Music Dance & Arts for Kids*
Award: \$1,797

Cool School sessions are open to any youth ages 8 to 18 years of age. All sessions are free of charge. Those without instruments are encouraged to participate, as Cool School has some

instruments that were donated by members of our community. All ages and abilities are welcome.

Madison Bach Musicians, Inc. - *“French Baroque Masterworks” with guest violinist Marc Destrubé: Sept. 28 Outreach at Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestras, Sept. 28 & 29 concerts at Holy Wisdom Monastery*

Award: \$1,346

Madison Bach Musicians will open its 21st season with performances of French Baroque Masterworks on September 28 and 29 at Holy Wisdom Monastery. The September 28 concert will also be livestreamed for ticketed patrons—available on-demand September 28 through October 12. On Saturday morning, September 28, MBM will play an outreach event for students enrolled in Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestras.

Madison Choral Project - *Madison Choral Project's June 2024 Concert*

Award: \$1,804

The nonprofit Madison Choral Project, Wisconsin’s only fully professional choir, actively encourages connection through the music of our diverse world. On June 14, in Madison and streaming online, MCP celebrates ten years with Righteous Airs and Summer Flare, a singular opportunity to see seven regional conductors in one unique performance.

Madison New Music Ensemble - *The Madison New Music Ensemble Two Concerts in 2024 - 25*

Award: \$1,026

The Madison New Music Ensemble will present two concerts featuring the works of prominent international/national composers of contemporary concert music. The concerts will be held Saturday, October 5, 2024, and Saturday, April 5, 2025, at the Arts + Literature Laboratory. The concerts will mark the 5th season of performances.

Madison Opera, Inc. - *The Barber of Seville Student Matinee*

Award: \$1,898

Madison Opera offers a wide range of Youth Education Programs designed to share the magic of professional opera with students from across Dane County. One of the highlights in 2024 will be the Student Matinee of Rossini’s “The Barber of Seville” on October 30, 2024, at the Overture Center in Madison.

Madison Savoyards, Ltd. – *Patience*

Award: \$1,864

Madison Savoyards presents “Patience,” an operatic ode to the silliness of fads, fashion, and art for art’s sake, imbued with the brilliant music of Arthur Sullivan and biting wit of W.S. Gilbert. Live musicians, singers and dancers take the stage of the Bartell Theatre in downtown Madison August 2 through 12 to perform this rarely produced, poetic and aesthetic titillating tale.

Madison Youth Choirs - *Madison Youth Choirs' 2024 Spring Concert Series, “Unbroken”*

Award: \$1,973

On May 18-19, 2024 at the Verona Performing Arts Center, over 400 young singers of Madison Youth Choirs will present the spring concert series “Unbroken,” the culmination of their year-long study of musical improvisation and circle-singing techniques, inspired by their work with MYC’s Teaching Artist-in-Residence, Onome.

Middleton Community Orchestra - *2024-2025: MCO's 15th season.*

Award: \$1,939

Three concerts will take place in October, December, and February 2025, performed by outstanding amateur musicians from Dane County in collaboration with some of classical music’s brightest local stars. MCO’s 14th anniversary concerts are affordable and accessible community events perfect for audiences of ALL ages. General admission is \$20, and all students (including college age) are admitted FREE of charge. This project expands MCO’s reach by performing one concert at the new, downtown Hamel Music Center.

Music con Brio, Inc. - *Explor/ding Vibration for Cellos and Handpan in G Minor: Composing, Rehearsing and Performing a New Piece of Contemporary Music*

Award: \$1,123

The Madison Cello Ensemble will collaborate with a handpan musician to compose, rehearse, and perform a new work for cello and handpan.

NewBridge Madison, Inc. - *NewBridge Summer Concerts in the Park*

Award: \$1,073

Enjoy free, live music for all ages at two venues this summer. Party in the Park will be held Friday, May 24, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Brittingham Park in Madison. The NewBridge Summer Concert Series returns for another season at Warner Park Shelter, 2930 N. Sherman Avenue. Monday evenings June 10, 17, 24, July 15, 22, 29 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Live music, food trucks, and resource tables will be present. More information is available at www.newbridgemadison.org.

PEBOGA - *2024 Next Level Showcase Park St. Music Fest*

Award: \$1,752

Next Level Showcase/Park St. Music Fest is in its sixth year. The music festival is a free outdoor music event that serves as a platform for a cross section of music genres (i.e. Blues, R&B, Pop, Smooth Jazz, etc.) featuring primarily local artists. Next Level Artists Showcase is designed to provide high quality promotional exposure to aspiring local artists while serving as an on-ramp to improving race relations through diversity and inclusion.

Salon Piano Series - *Salon Piano Series: 2024-2025 Season*

Award: \$1,870

Experience inspiring concerts at Salon Piano Series in an intimate salon setting reminiscent of the performance venues of the 18th and 19th centuries. Hear newly discovered musicians and revered international favorites perform in a uniquely personal setting. SPS features historic pianos, with opportunities to learn about these heirloom instruments and the many facets of piano restoration.

Stoughton Chamber Music Festival - *Stoughton Chamber Music Festival 2024:
PERSPECTIVES & SPACE*

Award: \$1,354

PERSPECTIVES & SPACE - The Stoughton Chamber Music Festival returns in August 2024 to present six immersive and inventive concerts exploring the space between stimulus and response, performed by exceptional early-career chamber musicians.

Willy Street Chamber Players - *Willy Street Chamber Players 10th Season*

Award: \$2,048

The Willy Street Chamber Players present their popular summer series of classical music concerts this July, including three ticketed performances at Immanuel Lutheran Church, one free outdoor concert in Orton Park, and performances for students attending summer camp programs at Madison Youth Arts Center (MYArts), Big Oak summer camp, Red Caboose summer camp, and WYSO Music Makers. Performances include world-class guest artists and music that spans continents and centuries.

Theater

Music Theatre of Madison - *Next to Normal*

Award: \$1,331

Music Theatre of Madison will present the Pulitzer Prize-winning musical *Next to Normal*, the story of a family coping with a loss and the mental illness that affects their matriarch as a result.

Wisconsin Veterans Museum Foundation - *Talking Spirits XXVI: Forest Hill Cemetery Tours*

Award: \$1,510

This award-winning living history program illuminates the lives of many prominent and lesser-known figures in Wisconsin history. This year's theme is "From the Battlefield to the Ballot Box: Wisconsin's Journey Through the Civil War and Beyond." Join us as we bring this important part of our history to life through the stories and historical reenactments of those who played an important role in driving Wisconsin 'Forward.'

Visual Arts

Dakota Mace - *Native Art Market 2024*

Award: \$2,134

On Saturday and Sunday, November 16-17, 2024, the 2024 Native Arts Market will celebrate the work of more than 20 Native artists, along with performances, artist demonstrations, and workshops.

Madison Public Library Foundation - *Madison Public Library Foundation Our Town
Everywhere*

Award: \$1,951

In 2023-24, Madison Public Library is working with local artists and Madisonians on a communal self-portrait project known as "Our Town Everywhere" to celebrate the many people who make up the Madison community.

Mills Folly Microcinema - *Mills Folly Microcinema 2024-2025*

Award: \$1,956

Mills Folly Microcinema is a monthly showcase for experimental film and video art at the Arts + Literature Laboratory at 111 S. Livingston Street in Madison. Screenings will highlight films and videos from the national film festival circuit, other regional microcinemas, and Dane County filmmakers and video artists.

Mount Horeb Area Arts Association - *2024 MHAAA Spring Art Tour*

Award: \$1,634

The 17th Annual Spring Art Tour is a family-friendly, three-day weekend, open art-studio event May 17-19, 2024. Featuring fine art from 28 Wisconsin artists within 30 miles of Mount Horeb, Wisconsin, visitors gain exposure to a wide variety of media and techniques. The small-town feel of rural and village studios coupled with the rolling hill landscape of southwest Wisconsin, provide visitors with a unique experience.

PhotoMidwest - *PhotoMidwest Biennial Festival 2024*

Award: \$2,015

PhotoMidwest and FlakPhoto Projects are teaming up to present a months-long photography festival in Madison, highlighted by the PhotoMidwest Biennial Juried Exhibition featuring photographers from 13 Midwest states. This year's festival also includes an artist talk series, workshops, and films at the Arts + Literature Laboratory and various photography programs and exhibitions throughout Dane County in fall 2024.

Textile Arts Center of Madison, Inc. - *Exhibitions Programming at the Textile Arts Center of Madison*

Award: \$2,032

In May 2024, TAC will launch its contemporary fiber art exhibitions programming. TAC will present three group shows between May and December, each to feature a variety of fiber mediums and artist perspectives. To facilitate broad audience reach, exhibitions will be accompanied by a public reception and other related events.

Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts & Letters - *Whatever Home Is*

Award: \$1,190

Through art, *Whatever Home Is* will offer reflections on finding a sense of belonging in a new country, culture, or environment. Curated by Amal Azzam and Nayfa Naji, the exhibition will center on their experience as Muslim Arab Americans. The exhibition will be curated through an open call for artwork.

Short Order

Conjunction Arts - *East High—Path of Voices*

Award: \$500

The Path of Voices is a public artwork that is located at four Madison area high schools and is a work of art dedicated to non-violence and serves as a memorial to victims of gun violence. Created in 2001, the work combines granite benches and audio pylons to create listening spaces

to reflect on Madison area residents who have been impacted by gun violence. This grant will reactivate the audio with new stories recorded and edited by East High School students.

Conjunction Arts - *Path of Voices: a Public Artwork at Madison High Schools*

Award: \$500

The Path of Voices is a public artwork that is located at four Madison area high schools and is a work of art dedicated to non-violence and serves as a memorial to victims of gun violence. Created in 2001 the work combines granite benches and audio pylons to create listening spaces to reflect on Madison area residents who have been impacted by gun violence. This grant will reactivate the audio with new stories recorded and edited by high school students.

Triangle Community Ministry - *Therapeutic Art at the Triangle Community*

Award: \$500

This program will serve a vulnerable population by providing opportunities for social engagement and therapeutic benefits of creating beautiful art for their homes and community. With funding, Triangle Community Ministry will provide quality art supplies and instruction, working with experienced volunteers, professionals, and local art schools from around Dane County.

Village of Belleville Economic Development Commission - *Belleville, WI Downtown Mural*

Award: \$500

The Village of Belleville Economic Development Commission is spearheading an outdoor mural public art project located at 112 W. Main St. in the heart of our downtown. This mural aligns with efforts to beautify and revitalize downtown to make it a unifying place where all community residents enjoy spending time.

Village of Cottage Grove Library Board - *Beats and Books: Unleashing Summer Reading Vibes with Dane County Bookmobile and 'Think Like a DJ' Event*

Award: \$500

On June 13, Village of Cottage Grove Library Board will collaborate with the Dane County Bookmobile, Madison Dream Bus, and DJ Martinez White in an all-community dynamic celebration. Marking the start of summer reading, this event promotes literacy, education, and artistic independence in Cottage Grove.

Capital

Dance Wisconsin - *Dance Wisconsin's new pilates equipment used for cross training.*

Award: \$563

Dance Wisconsin is proud to provide new equipment for its dancers. The new equipment will help dancers cross train, improve anatomical knowledge, and provide them with more facets than just dance training.

IP Ministries - *Creator's Cottage Printing Press*

Award: \$2,000

The Ironer's Press is an independent publisher of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and genre-defying literature. They are committed to widening the gap and making room for powerful multi-ethnic

voices of artistic and cultural merit, in a marketplace that has traditionally not seen their stories or voices as valid or commercially viable.

Madison Children's Museum - *Art Studio Equipment*

Award: \$1,182

Madison Children's Museum requests funding to purchase new equipment for the Art Studio, including tables, stools, booster chairs, drying racks, and a slab roller. All of the new purchases support arts programming and enrichment and increase opportunities for arts participation, especially for young children.

Opera for the Young - *Touring Sound System*

Award: \$250

Opera for the Young (OFTY) requests funds to purchase a portable sound system for their annual in-school touring production.

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