

Nevada Arts Council
FY17 Third Quarter Jackpot Grant Recommendations

Jackpot Quarterly Grants of up to \$1,000 are designed to support first-time or sudden opportunity arts and arts learning/education projects initiated by artists, teaching artists, schools, nonprofit organizations and public institutions.

Seventeen applications were submitted for the FY17 Third Quarter Jackpot Grants. A panel of experts reviewed and scored the 17 applications from 15 artists and two organizations requesting support for projects and activities scheduled to occur between January 1 and March 31, 2017.

The panel reviewed application narratives and required support materials using the GO™ system, and met via conference call to discuss and score applications. The Jackpot Grant Scoring Rubric now allows for Creation, Public Project, Organizations and Arts Learning scoring on Jackpot grants. This removes differences in overall scores for the Jackpot grants regardless of project type as all applications are scored out of 100 possible points.

The panel scores resulted in an overall funding recommendation of \$14,830, with available funding for the quarter of \$10,000. No application scores were below the 60% threshold for no funding established by the board. The panel was given the option to recommend an across-the-board cut (32.6%) or to re-score individual applicants. The panel instead unanimously decided to present an alternative option to not recommend funding the five lowest scoring applicants, which would fund the 12 highest scoring applicants at an 8.1% overall reduction.

Below please find funding scenarios for both the Jackpot Grant Review Panel recommendation and an across the board cut for all 17 applications of 32.6%.

All Third Quarter Jackpot Grants applicants were contacted by staff and recommended to take advantage of the Advanced Review process. Staff will work with all unfunded applicants to help develop eligible and competitive grant packets for future applications.

PANEL RECOMMENDATION FUNDING SCENARIO

Recommended for Funding

Cathy Allen, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support artist fees, materials including costumes that are black, grey and white for a pedestrian theme, body paint, as well as marketing costs for the applicant's choreographed multi-media performance piece "Strangers," inspired by the photography project, Humans of New York.

Average Score: 89.5% Recommended Funding: \$823

Eve Allen, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support artist fees for the choreographers who will submit applications for review by curators Eve Allen and KJ Dahlaw to be showcased in the applicant's dance performance entitled "Love Letters". Love Letters will be presented on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at Reno Little Theater.

Average Score: 95.83% Recommended Funding: \$881

Robert Beckmann, Henderson (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support costs for framing paintings focused on Nevada landscape and nature for the solo exhibit "Transmutations Under the Western Sky, Robert Beckmann 1977-2017" and transportation of the artwork to the exhibit location at Sahara West Library. The show runs January 13 – March 18, 2017.

Average Score: 91.5% Recommended Funding: \$841

Cameron Crain, Dayton (Lyon County) – requested \$1000 to support the writing of a pilot episode for the applicant's television dramedy "Idaho Boys" that he is developing. Funding will support artist fees.

Average Score: 91.2% Recommended Funding: \$838

Timothy Hoft, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support the editing and mastering costs of a CD featuring contemporary Ukrainian piano music. It is the second in a series entitled "Reflection on Ukrainian Piano Music".

Average Score: 95.5% Recommended Funding: \$878

Eunkang Koh, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support the creation and transport to Western Kentucky University of her exhibit "Prinstallation Invasion" which will consists of works created between January and February 2017. The exhibition will entail a combination of three dimensional installation work that is made with printmaking techniques to show human condition in the consumerist culture and the society that humans reside.

Average Score: 99.0% Recommended Funding: \$910

Gregory Kompes, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$870 to support the cost of an editor to edit the applicant's book *Tamburlaine*.

Average Score: 92.5% Recommended Funding: \$740

Heather Lang, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 (Artist fees: \$394.75, Printing: \$605.25) to support her artist fees for editing an anthology of poetry and prose by Nevada women artists entitled "Always a Bridesmaid" and the costs of printing 75 copies of the publication.

Average Score: 93.2% Recommended Funding: \$857

Erika V. Paul, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support the recording and production costs of a CD of American jazz called "Sway – a Tribute to American Latin Jazz."

Average Score: 92.5% Recommended Funding: \$850

Jaime Lynn Shafer, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support the cost of materials for the creation of an art book. The book focuses on Nevada's history of vigilante groups while relating it to contemporary issues of police bias. The book will be printed from wood and metal type and various printmaking techniques including, but not limited to, photopolymer plates, pressure printing and linoleum blocks.

Average Score: 93.2% Recommended Funding: \$728

Southern Nevada College - Poetry Center, Henderson (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support the cost of honoraria and travel for three poets to participate in the applicant's Third Annual Southern Nevada College's Poetry Center Celebration. The celebration takes place Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1, 2017 and features poets Cedar Sigo, Laura Mimosa Montes and Lauren Levin.

Average Score: 88.2% Recommended Funding: \$811

L. Martina Young, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support the printing costs for SWAN Book IV, the fourth literary installment of the ongoing project, "SWAN: a poetical inquiry in dance, text & memoir."
Average Score: 91.7% Recommended Funding: \$843

Not Recommended for Funding

City of Sparks (Washoe County) – requested \$1000 to support contracting with a professional facilitator to design and facilitate a five-year planning meeting for the City of Sparks newly established Arts and Culture Advisory Committee.
Average Score: 76.7% Recommended Funding: \$0

Karen Haid, Las Vegas (Clark County) – requested \$1000 to support artist fees and travel costs for the artist to present and conduct a reading of her own literary non-fiction at the Dorothea House of Culture in Princeton, NJ and the Westchester Italian Center in Tuckahoe, NY on February 12, 2017.
Average Score: 87.0% Recommended Funding: \$0

William Troy Heard, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support artist fees for directing the production "Anton Chekov's Cherry Orchard of the Living Dead" at the Majestic Repertory Theatre in January 2017.
Average Score: 66.5% Recommended Funding: \$0

Wolf Kadavanich-O'Rourc Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support the cost of screenplay critique fees by three services, PAGE international, Stage 32 Happy Writers and Screencraft.
Average Score: 80.3% Recommended Funding: \$0

Sandra Neace, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support the costs of production for the project, "A Taco Truck on Every Corner" which is a piece of verbatim theater. The applicant will choose selections from videos taken of Reno/Sparks residents about the presidential election. The selection process will take place in January and February 2017 and cast in March.
Average Score: 84.8% Recommended Funding: \$0

ACROSS THE BOARD CUTS SCENARIO

Cathy Allen, Las Vegas (Clark County) - **Average Score: 89.5% Recommended Funding: \$604**

Eve Allen, Reno (Washoe County) - **Average Score: 95.83% Recommended Funding: \$646**

Robert Beckmann, Henderson (Clark County) - **Average Score: 91.5% Recommended Funding: \$617**

City of Sparks, Sparks (Washoe County) - **Average Score: 76.7% Recommended Funding: \$517**

Cameron Crain, Dayton (Lyon County) - **Average Score: 91.2% Recommended Funding: \$615**

Karen Haid, Las Vegas (Clark County) - **Average Score: 87.0% Recommended Funding: \$587**

Timothy Hoft, Las Vegas (Clark County) - **Average Score: 95.5% Recommended Funding: \$644**

Wolf Kadavanich-O'Rourc, Las Vegas (Clark County) - Average Score: 80.3% Recommended Funding: \$542

Eunkang Koh, Reno (Washoe County) - Average Score: 99.0% Recommended Funding: \$668

Gregory Kompes, Las Vegas (Clark County) - Average Score: 92.5% Recommended Funding: \$543

Heather Lang, Las Vegas (Clark County) - Average Score: 93.2% Recommended Funding: \$628

Sandra Neace, Reno (Washoe County) - Average Score: 84.8% Recommended Funding: \$572

Erika V. Paul, Reno (Washoe County) - Average Score: 92.5% Recommended Funding: \$624

Jaime Lynn Shafer, Reno (Washoe County) - Average Score: 93.2% Recommended Funding: \$534

Southern Nevada College - Poetry Center, Henderson (Clark County) - Average Score: 88.2% Recommended Funding: \$595

L. Martina Young, Reno (Washoe County) - Average Score: 91.7% Recommended Funding: \$618