

Nevada Arts Council
FY17 Second 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.

Twenty-one applications were submitted for the FY17 Second Quarter Jackpot Grants. Three were deemed ineligible and one withdrew. A panel of experts reviewed the remaining 17 applications from twelve artists and five organizations requesting support for projects and activities scheduled to occur between October 1 and December 31, 2016. The panel reviewed application narratives and required support materials using the GO™ system, and met via conference call to discuss and score applications. Total funding recommended: \$13,127. Available funding: \$10,000.

One applicant scored below 60%, with no funding recommended.

All Second 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.

Recommended for Funding

Linda Alterwitz, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to support artist fees to finalize and edit her article for Lenscratch, an online photography website, as well as promote it on a daily basis on social media. Funding will support artist fees.

Average Score: 70.13% Recommended Funding: \$534

Megan Berner, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to print and frame photographs from her artist residency with the Friends of the Black Rock – High Rock Canyon outside Alturas, CA. Funding will support framing and printing supplies.

Average Score: 85.33% Recommended Funding: \$650

Diane Bush, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to produce a video that documents the public participation art event called “Make America BREAK Again” during the October 7th First Friday event in the Las Vegas Arts District. Funding will support the artist fees for performers, a videographer, and post editing of the video.

Average Score: 77.4% Recommended Funding: \$590

Tim Chatwood, Reno (Washoe County) – requested \$1000 to perform his original piece, ‘Flicker,’ at the 2016 Electronic Music Midwest Festival at Lewis University in Romeoville, Illinois. Funding will support travel costs.

Average Score: 66.2% Recommended Funding: \$504

Andreana Donahue, Las Vegas (Clark County) – requested \$1000 to create a large-scale and intricate quilt that references elements of the Nevada high desert landscape, abstraction, and the rich tradition of quilting and fiber arts. Funding will support the cost of supplies, materials, and studio space rental.

Average Score: 80.27% Recommended Funding: \$611

Eureka Restoration Enterprises, Eureka (Eureka County) – requested \$1000 to bring in Reno artist Erik Burke to create a mural of the historic Eureka and Palisade Engine #4 on a downtown building. Funding will support artist fees and materials.

Average Score: 93.6% Recommended Funding: \$713

Rachel Lopez, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to write a one-act play for youth theatre on the serious issues of teen depression and suicide. Funding will support artist fees.

Average Score: 70.67% Recommended Funding: \$538

Mercury Momentum, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to produce a musical play titled “Dorothy in Wonderland the Musical” in December at Whitney Peak’s Cargo Concert Hall in Reno. Funding will support the costs of sets, makeup, and costumes.

Average Score: 69.6% Recommended Funding: \$530

Camilla Quinn Oldencamp, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to create artwork for her exhibition installation at the Aquarium Micro Gallery in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Funding will support the cost of materials and supplies.

Average Score: 80% Recommended Funding: \$609

Cristina Natsuko Paulos, Henderson (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to create her exhibition titled “How are you feeling today?” as well as to record her performance during the exhibition. Funding will support the costs of materials and supplies, videographer fees, and model fees.

Average Score: 82.6% Recommended Funding: \$629

Pierce Emata, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 for travel for original piano composition peer reviews and consultations with Dr. Loran Olsen in Port Angeles, Washington and Dennis Alexander in Albuquerque, NM. Funding will support travel expenses.

Average Score: 84% Recommended Funding: \$640

Proscenium Players Inc., Carson City (Carson City County) - requested \$1000 to present Spamalot in October as part of their 2016-2017 season. Funding will support artist fees, marketing, and purchase of props and set pieces.

Average Score: 87.6% Recommended Funding: \$667

Sharon Schafer, Henderson (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to travel to India and create sketches and fine art, as well as photography, of the natural history of rural Panchla Siddha, Rajasthan, India. Funding will support materials, supplies, and travel fees.

Average Score: 98.13% Recommended Funding: \$748

Sirocco Flutes of Las Vegas, Inc., Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to commission Las Vegas’ Dr. Jennifer Bellor to compose a new piece of music that will become the organization’s signature piece. Funding will support artist fees.

Average Score: 93.6% Recommended Funding: \$713

Somerset Academy Sky Pointe, Henderson (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to purchase “Build Your Own” Ukulele kits for the school’s men’s choir, students in grades 6-12 enrolled in the Men’s Choir class at the Academy.

Average Score: 87.4% Recommended Funding: \$666

Rosie Trump, Reno (Washoe County) - requested \$1000 to support the creation of “Women in the Cities,” an original short digital dance film directed, choreographed and edited by the artist. Funding will support artist fees, materials and supplies, and costumes.

Average Score: 86.13% Recommended Funding: \$656

Ineligible Applications

Bauder, Chris, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to pay for the cost of gift materials such as t-shirts and posters for exhibition participating artists. **Applicant was deemed ineligible** as the request was for gifts. Staff has suggested submitting an eligible request for Quarter 3, including an Advanced Review.

Keniston, Ann, Reno (Clark County) – requested \$1000 to participate in an artist residency program in Martha’s Vineyard. **Applicant was deemed ineligible** due to the fact that Keniston is a FY17 Fellowship Grant recipient and, therefore, is not eligible for a Jackpot Grant. Staff has suggested submitting a Jackpot Grant Application next fiscal year.

Macquarie, Charles, Carson City (Carson City County) - requested \$1000 to fund the cost of materials and travel for a Notable Holes conceptual research tour. **Applicant was deemed ineligible** as neither the narrative nor work samples clearly identify the project as an arts project. Staff has suggested submitting an eligible request for quarter 3, including an Advanced Review.

Withdrawn Application

Poetry Promise, Inc., North Las Vegas (Clark County) – requested \$1000 to support artist fees for Sharon Olds to do a reading of her poetry and a workshop. **Applicant withdrew** based on the recommendation of the staff that an Artist Residency Express Grant would be better suited to this project.

Declined Application

Watts, Nicky, Las Vegas (Clark County) - requested \$1000 to hire Fierro Communications to edit her book, which is part memoir and part self-help. **Applicant was declined** due to low scoring by the panelists. Staff has suggested submitting another request for quarter 3, including an Advanced Review.