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**Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo Announces Arts Fund of Kalamazoo County Grants**

The Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo announces the 2014 Arts Fund of Kalamazoo County grant awards. Thirty-two applications were submitted, requesting nearly \$175,000 in funds, and of those, thirteen were selected to receive funding totaling \$46,913.74.

Funded by the National Endowment for the Arts through the Kalamazoo Community Foundation, Arts Fund provides support across three categories of grants; individual artists and two for 501(c)(3) arts organizations through project or operational support. Special emphasis is placed on ethnic/minority, tribal and rural communities, thereby strengthening the quality and diversity of the arts in the greater Kalamazoo community.

<b>Bach Festival Society of Kalamazoo</b> Operational Support	<b>\$ 2,144.79</b>
<b>Black Arts &amp; Cultural Center</b> Operational Support	<b>\$ 6,545.00</b>
<b>Coeur, Dawn</b> William Holland School of Lapidary Arts	<b>\$ 918.50</b>
<b>Dodd, Kevin</b> The Mockingbird Project	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>
<b>Duquette, Denise</b> PATHWAYS: A Photographic Inquiry In Progress	<b>\$ 491.70</b>
<b>Fontana Chamber Arts</b> Pacifica Quartet Residency/Performance with Anthony McGill	<b>\$ 2,200.00</b>
<b>Great Lakes Acoustic Music Association (GLAMA)</b> Operational Support	<b>\$ 1,925.00</b>
<b>Irving S. Gilmore International Keyboard Festival</b> Gilmore Piano Labs	<b>\$ 3,750.00</b>
<b>Kalamazoo Book Arts Center</b> Operational Support	<b>\$ 7,500.00</b>
<b>Kalamazoo Children's Chorus</b> Operational Support	<b>\$ 7,338.75</b>
<b>Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra</b> KSO Artists in Residence (AIR) Program	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>
<b>Owen, Ginger</b> Modernizing Historical Photographic Processes	<b>\$ 1,100.00</b>
<b>Wellspring/Cori Terry &amp; Dancers</b> Operational Support	<b>\$ 7,000.00</b>

For more information on the funded projects or questions regarding re-granting programs of the Arts Council, contact Sara Jean Kwapien, Assistant Director of Administration at [sjkwapien@kalamazooarts.org](mailto:sjkwapien@kalamazooarts.org) or 269-492-1780.

*The Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo is a nonprofit organization established in 1966, whose mission is to support, promote and fund the arts.*