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Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo Announces KADI Grants

The Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo announces the 2014 Kalamazoo Artistic Development Initiative (KADI) grant awards. Forty-two applications were submitted, requesting nearly \$150,000 in funds, and of those, twelve were selected to receive funding totaling \$53,000.00.

The Arts Council administers the KADI grants, providing technical assistance in the application process to organizations and individuals seeking grants, and distributing funds. Individual artists or groups without formal non-profit designation are eligible for KADI. Applicants must be 18 years of age by the deadline date. The maximum award is \$4,500. Applications are judged based on artistic merit, community impact, project management and feasibility. The project must benefit the Kalamazoo community, by being located in the Kalamazoo community, benefiting a local artist or an artist having strong ties to the Kalamazoo community. Applications are scored and amounts are awarded by independent, volunteer panelists.

Abshear, Jeff Printing a bilingual letterpress book in Venice, Italy	\$4,500.00
Bagnall, Mindi HOME: an Artists and Writers Project, a group art exhibition, catalogue and reading	\$4,500.00
Cooper, Ian Jake Simmons and the Little Ghosts full length musical recording.	\$4,500.00
Cuncell-Vargas, Martha SOLA: A full-length CD featuring the previously unrecorded flute music of the American continent.	\$4,483.20
Coury, Sarah The El Sol Children's Art Garden of Kalamazoo	\$4,500.00
Gauthier, BenJammin & Analisa BenJammin Educational Music program enriches 9 elementary schools in Kalamazoo county.	\$3,516.80
Hardaway, Aubrey Northern Skies: A multimedia series of natural and artificial light in night skies.	\$4,500.00
Hopfensperger, James THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MAKING BY HAND	\$4,500.00
Lee, Honore AFTERIMAGE: artist-made books and mixed media works to be exhibited at the Arts Council in 2015.	\$4,500.00
Rzoska, Linda 'RECOGNITION' is a solo exhibition of my work in the Glen Vista Gallery during Sept. & Oct. 2014	\$4,500.00
Start, Elizabeth Fusing Glass Art with Music	\$4,500.00
Whalen, Mary & Gore, Caroline Fostering the Silent Song	\$4,500.00

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 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.