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Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo Announces KADI Grants

The Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo announces the 2015 Kalamazoo Artistic Development Initiative (KADI) grant awards, funded by the Irving S. Gilmore Foundation. Forty applications were submitted, requesting over \$140,000 in funds, and of those, eighteen were selected to receive funding totaling \$53,450, with a maximum award of \$4,500.

The Arts Council administers the KADI grants, providing technical assistance in the application process to groups or 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. 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.

Bauer, Paul Small Sounds Music Album for Kids and Community Outreach Performances	\$4,462.30
Buday, Kathleen Attendance to the American Art Therapy Association's Annual Conference	\$529.82
Dooley, Megan Moxieville Debut Full Length Album Recording	\$4,500.00
Gauthier, Benjamin BenJammin Educational Music brings life skills and core subjects to schools	\$4,500.00
Gibson, Justin An Evening of Plays by Justin Gibson	\$2,250.00
Hardaway, Aubrey Masterclass in Animation and Storytelling in New York	\$2,000.00
Harkness, Edward Bronze Cast Orbs	\$2,000.00
Hershberger, Patrick Vine Neighborhood Association Murals	\$4,476.88
Howes, Tom Project X, Studio & Gallery - Pilot Program	\$4,500.00
Koehler, Andrew A Summer Concert of the Arcato Chamber Ensemble	\$4,500.00
LaFleur, Kathleen Sing, Bird: Afghan and American Music for the Lyrical Saxophone	\$3,880.00
Mahmat, Nick Professional Development Exchange with Patch Theatre: Community Engagement	\$2,000.00
Mills, Sarah Move to Change	\$1,976.00
Plasko, Patricia La MaMa Umbria International, Site-Specific Performance Creative Residency	\$2,000.00
Schumaker, Adam An Auditory Inconvenience: the music of Adam Schumaker	\$4,200.00
Sidorane, Silvia Attend Early Childhood Music Training Workshop	\$475.00
Thornton, Nicolas Maundy	\$700.00
Westra, Andrew Three Goats Music Video Proposal	\$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.