In fiscal year 2014, Lake Region Arts Council awarded the following grants:

Artist Quick Start Grants

Individual Artists may apply for \$750.

Thomas Rieschick

Otter Tail County

\$750

To purchase high quality linen to create his own canvases to creating a new body of portraiture. His artistic style is the tradition of Northern Renaissance multi-layering classical approach.

Naomi Schliesman

Otter Tail County

\$750

To mount an exhibit at MState, Fergus Falls in January 2014 called "Steeplechase". Her subject matter will be steeples of Fergus Falls which will be created from metal and industrial felt.

Jason Squinobal

Stevens County

\$750

To compose and perform a suite or original compositions based on traditional West African Music for a nine piece chamber jazz ensemble. It will be a suite of five compositions, focusing on the diverse cultural elements. and modern jazz advanced rhythms

Melissa Juelfs

Wilkin County

\$750

To expand her artistic skills through a two day workshop at Potek Glass in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The classes will focus on the techniques needed for creating glass beads utilizing the Electric Mandrel Spinner tool.

Meredith Lynn

Clay County

\$750

To mount her first solo exhibit at the Mac Rostie Art Center in Grand Rapids, Minnesota in April 2014. The exhibit will feature her fourteen framed drawings and books.

Career Development Grants

Individual Artists apply for up to \$1,200

Cindy McDougall

Otter Tail County

\$1,200

To work with professional silversmith, Amy Reeves, to enhance her skills that will enable her to create more advance jewelry. She will received 10 hours of individual instructions focusing on new tools and techniques she will be adding to her studio.

Jon Solinger

Otter Tail County

\$1,200

To developing and produce an exhibit "Working Land" to be featured at the Hjemkomst Center 2015, about rural work in our region and its relationship to the land. In one half, he will hang portraits of people in their rural workplaces, in the other half, images of the landscape where these people have built their lives.

Patrick Vincent

Clay County

\$1,200

To explore the relationship between myth, culture and nature in printmaking through the creation of a new body of work that expands the them digitally. These images will merge traditional drawing and digital imagery as they explore humans' changing interacting with the environment—such as oil fracking in the Dakotas and shifting notions of place as global climate change becomes more evident.

Kelli Sinner Clay County \$1,200

To purchase equipment that will aid in the development of her ceramic artwork; 5" Scott Creek Aluminum clay extruder, extruder accessories, and a banding wheel.

Conor Lee Otter Tail County \$600

To purchase and learn how to use Sibelius and Protools. He will arrange and format pre-existing or original music for jazz combos and small groups. He will be recording and send tracks electronically

Spencer Brand Douglas County \$1,200

To compose, direct and perform the incidental music for the radio theatre play, "Berlin" to be recorded at the Lakes Area Theatre. He will collaborate with other musicians and the project.

Samuel Busko Otter Tail County \$1,200

To create a new painting series focusing on bird species in Minnesota. Juxtaposing native, non-native, invasive, and extinct birds is important in revealing how they affect each other and/or their environment. He will incorporate cross sections to reveal the subject's specific scientific anatomy. Each bird in the series will be a life-sized representation.

Carl Zachmann Otter Tail County \$1,200

To purchase equipment to create work in hot rivet structural steel. His artwork is heavily influenced by the Industrial Revolution and part of the vintage industrial appearance he will work to achieve is due to old-looking fasteners. To do hot riveting he will work with a pneumatic rivet hammer, a couple of different sized rivet sets, and supporting tools.

Each year one artist is awarded \$5,000 to recognize and honor their accomplishment. (2014 Visual Arts and Music)

Sean Scott Otter Tail County \$5,000

to develop an in depth body of work using various hand building techniques with stoneware. He plans to use the body of work to educate about his processes, findings, and to exhibit the final product to various audiences both locally and nationally.

Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants Individual Artists are awarded funds to enhance art access, art education and art cultural heritage in the LRAC region.

Michael Burgraff Otter Tail County \$3,342

to work with twelve adults and twelve youth to facilitate a pottery exchange with 24 people from China in cooperation with 李乾清(Qianqing Li), Vice Consul for Cultural Affairs, Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Houston. Each person will create a bowl and a cup with instruction and equipment from the Tin Horse Ceramic studio.

Dan Olson Otter Tail County \$12,810

to establish this small but vibrant venue as both a physical and virtual destination for providing access to high quality live music experiences, education opportunities and community building in Fergus Falls.

Timothy Johnson Clay County \$11,910

To present two artist residencies by Tim and the members of the Fargo Moorhead Kicks Band "A Journey Through Jazz" to band students in the Moorhead and Lake Park Audubon high schools. There will be master classes for the students and public concerts for the community featuring all of the musicians

Richard Vandever Otter Tail County \$10,960

To work with four apprentices to teach them the art of wood carving from the harvesting and preparation of the wood to the carving and finishing of the sculptures. These four character carvings "The River Band" will be featured at festivals and fairs throughout the region

Gloria Axelson Otter Tail County \$1,500

To fund a full third octave of hand chimes, performance gloves and more sheet music for her bell choir, "Glory Deo Bell Ensemble". She will provide instructions to beginning students to spread the art and skills of playing in a bell choir. Her ensemble will perform public concerts in the coming year.

Deb Wallwork Otter Tail County \$11,860

To create a work of creative nonfiction, also known as a essay film, that has an interdisciplinary focus on the monarch butterfly decline through the people: artists, naturalists, farmers and gardeners, who are concerned about it.

Jay McEvers Becker County \$6,840

To document the body of his work and provide a historic narrative of the art form in a book "Folk Art Fish Decoys" a photo history. He will employ an editor to assist with the preparation of the manuscript for a limited run publication.

Ann Clayton Douglas County \$2,600

To purchase tools for teaching classes to students in the region. This will provide high quality instruction experience for her students. The first set of classes will be taught at Alexandria Community Education Fall 2014.

Legacy Arts & Cultural Heritage Grants

Non profit arts organizations, public institutions and other non profit groups are awarded funds to enhance art access, art education and art cultural heritage in the LRAC region.

Sons of Norway, Heimskringlas Lodge Otter Tail County \$1,250

To sponsor three educational programs focusing on Scandinavian culture; the craft of building and playing violins by Arnie Anderson, Scandinavian stories by Jan Smith, and Sami culture by Faith Fjeld.

New York Mills Public School Otter Tail County \$9,990

To host a two day artist educational and performance residency with "Copper Street Brass Quintet" with all four bands from grades 5 through 12.

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay

County Clay County \$1,500

To provide demonstrations at the 2014 annual German Culture Day for educational art activities.

Pope County Historical Society

Pope County

\$7,870

To sponsor the Glacial Lakes Plein D'Aire Festival for regional artists to participate in the art of outdoor landscape painting. The three days festival will feature opportunities to meet and greet with the participating artists, free children's workshop, and a public reception of the juried exhibit.

Minnesota Lake Maritime Museum

Douglas County

\$8,200

To enhance the entrance to the museum's gardens with public art. Sculptor Larry Meyers will create an large metal gate based on nautical themes.

Central Lakes Symphony Orchestra

Douglas County

\$5,050

To present a concert featuring excerpts from Mozart's "Magic Flute" showcasing six guest soloists from the Minnesota Opera and three regional choirs, Jefferson Carolers, Alexandria Children's Choir and Men's Choir.

Minnesota State University, Moorhead

TOCAR Clay County

\$4,560

To sponsor the Climb Theatre to perform "A Deeper Look" in January 2014 and "Feeling History: African American's Reach for Equality" in February 2014 at MSUM and M State, Moorhead for students and the public

New York Mills Cultural Center

Otter Tail County

\$4,700

to host a community based "Dancing Lights" festival featuring music and choreography at the winter celebrations. Participants of all ages will rehearse and perform the work on February 2, the half way mark of winter.

Terrace Mill Foundation

Pope County

\$14,230

To provide high quality audio experiences for all the upcoming performances held at Terrace Mill in the season and beyond. This includes two Summer Children's Theatre performances, the Annual Fiddlers Contest and outdoor concerts and presentations.

Ulen Hitterdal School District

Clay County

\$3,000

To bring the Boston Brass Educational Ambassadors program to the junior and senior high band program on October 13, 2014. There will be a performance in the school during the day and for the public in the evening featuring the student musicians in one song.

Lake Region Writers Network

Otter Tail County

\$3,230

To fund the key note speaker, Heidi Erdrich, prize winning poet, and eight workshop presenters including Angela Foster, Barry Lane, Athena Kildegaard, and David Stoddard at the 5th Annual Writers Conference on October 4, 2014.

MSUMoorhead, College for Kids

Clay County

\$2,000

To provide the art supplies for the classes in order to reduce the tuition for the program. Each year the program introduces new art forms into the curriculum for the students.

History and Cultural Association of

East Otter Tail Count

Otter Tail County

\$7,903

To provide a mix of quality art experiences during 2014 season; a photography exhibit, a Veteran Art Show, a touring theatre company, presenting authors series, and to purchase a sound system for the facility.

Fergus Falls Center for the Arts

Otter Tail County

\$28,780

To provide seven Main Stage events and four Stage performances. The Main Stage season includes theatre "The Accidental Hero", folk/jazz music "Run, Boy, Run", Latin/jazz music "Southern Exposure", the Thodos dance company "A Light in the Dark", classical music with a twist "Black Violin", the '50s rock band "The Diamonds", and tenor vocalist, "Terry Barber". Each program will feature educational outreach to students in the region with demonstrations, master classes, and lectures

Runestone Museum Foundation

Douglas County

\$7,10

To feature a near life size portrait of a Viking Family created by Myron Sahlberg, portrait artist. The grant will cover the cost to create authentic Viking costumes and accessories by Kelsey Patton, period costumer. The art of portrait painting will be documented and the video will be featured in the exhibit.

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay

County

Clay County

\$1,370

To present an artist residency featuring "The Four Winds" in three Moorhead schools during the 20th annual Pangea Festival. The focus will be the music and heritage of the fur trade in the Red River Valley.

Historic Holmes Theatre

Becker County

\$13,803

To fund the planning, marketing and evaluation for their community outreach for the seven performances acts including "Ananya Dance", "Black Violin", "Cantus", "Minnesota Music Coalition", "New Standards", Ordway's Broadway Songbook", and "The Accidental Hero". In additions, a portion of the funds will be spent on the formation of the Summit Reader's Theatre Group and Summit Spring Production, "Our Town". Additional funds will go towards the repair of the Sunfish sculpture and the annual Mosaic mania outreach project.

Prairie Renaissance Cultural Alliance

Stevens County

\$1,650

To sponsor 11 monthly art classes in their "Art Share" program. This grant will cover the instructor's fees. A wide range of art disciplines will be taught in 2 to 3 hour workshops including Origami, print making, Hardanger, jewelry making, salsa dance and more.

Theatre L'Homme Dieu

Douglas County

\$3,770

To fund the educational programming during the 2014 summer season. This will include three workshops featuring dance, improvisation, and auditioning. Additional funds will cover a portion of the operating costs for the summer artist retreat facilities.

Alexandria Area Arts Association

Douglas County

\$28,000

To renovate the lower level of the theatre which will include the restrooms, downstairs lobby, and a new black box rehearsal theatre. This space will provide intimate performance space for rehearsals and smaller productions. It will be the same size as the AAAA's main stage.

Project Grants

Arts Organizations and Public Institutions up to \$3,000, 20% match

Brown Valley Public School

Traverse County

\$2,370

To host a one week artist residency with Prairie Fire Children's Theatre to present "Aladdin".

Alexandria Public School

Douglas County

\$2,230

to host a one week artist residency with "los Llaneros", a South American music ensemble.

Historical and Cultural Society of Clays

County Clay County

\$3,000

to sponsor the author Mary Ann Kirby to present at the 2014 German Culture Day Festival.

West Central Area Public School

Grant County

\$1,860

To host a two week artist residency with "Skilly and Duff", an Irish Trio working with 7-12 grade choirs.

New Rivers Press

Clay County

\$2.50

To host a celebration of the literary arts with a "Birthday Bash" featuring readings by authors and performances by musicians.

University of Minnesota, Morris

English Discipline

Stevens County

\$3,000

To sponsor two authors, Matt Hart and Rachel Hanel, at the Prairie Gate Literary Festival 2014 with readings and workshops

Concordia College Communication

Studies and Theatre Department

Clay County

\$1,800

To host a public workshop with playwright, David MacGregor, on writing and beginning directing.

Terrace Mill Foundation

Pope County

\$810

To fund their summer Children's Theater multi-day workshops and musical productions.

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay

County

Clay County

\$1,870

To fund the premier art quilt collection called Quilt National 2013 at the Hjemkomst Center in Moorhead to coincide with the Indian Summer Quilt Conference.

Concordia Percussion Ensemble

Clay County

\$2,200

To fund their Percussion Day on Saturday, April 5, 2014. This is a one day educational event where students, teachers, professional musicians and the community can interact with world-class artists in the field of percussion.

MSU Moorhead Department of Music

Percussion Ensemble Clay County

\$2,995

To fund A Day of Percussion/Steelband Music Festival to be hosted at MSUM on November 15, 2014. It will feature college and university steelbands from across MN and ND performing alongside Grammy winning guest artists Andy Narell (steelpan), and Mark Walker (drumset), with additional clinic by Allen Teel (timpani).

Henning landmark Center

Otter Tail County

\$2,500

To fund an artist residency by fiber artist and sculptor, Kristi Kuder, in the Henning School for two weeks teaching the students wire sculpture beginning March 29, 2014. There will be two Saturday workshops at Landmark Center on textile techniques.

History and Cultural Association of

East Otter Tail County

Otter Tail County

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History and Cultural Association of

East Otter Tail County Otter Tail County \$3,000

To hire a consultant to improving existing program by revitalizing an art event, the Pioneer Festival in Perham in 2015.

Fargo Moorhead Chamber Chorale Clay County \$1,400

To fund the Fargo-Moorhead Chamber Chorale to travel to Perham, MN to present a concert of choral music in the newly established Perham Center for the Arts and to work with the Perham High School Choir.

Ulen Hitterdal School Clay County \$1,790

To fund an artist residency featuring glass artist Jon Offutt at Ulen-Hitterdal School on Thursday, April 10, 2014. It will include an evening session with an Artist Talk and glassblowing demonstration.

Lakes Chamber Music Society Douglas County \$2,350

To fund four musicians to present a chamber music concert on August 8, 2014 featuring Tchaikovsky's Piano Trio in A Minor, in memory of a Great Artist.

New River Press Clay County \$2,300

To fund production cost for the publishing of Paper Camera: A Half Century with New Rivers Press—through literary essays by past & present authors, interns, and staff—tells of their successful transition from a founder-based press to a teaching literary press and celebrates their rare longevity. The book launch will be January 15, 2015.

Evansville Arts Coalition Douglas County \$320

To fund an evening of music featuring David Stoddard and Beth Wood in an intimate coffee house concert July 2014.

Gooseberry Park Players Clay County \$470

To cover the expenses to design and publish a promotion brochure "Be a part of Gooseberry" recruiting families to participate in the summer program.

Underwood School Community Educa-

tion Otter Tail Count \$670

To fund a portion of the cost to sponsor Prairie Fire Children's Theatre for theatre artist residency for grades 2 - 12. The school will be presenting Tom Sawyer and the performances will be June 6 and 7, 2014.

Arts Organizations apply for up to 10 % of expenses, \$5,000 maximum (For 2015, the maximum has been raised to \$6,000).

Operating Support Grants

Terrace Mill Foundation

Pope County

\$2,650

To fund a portion of the insurance and utility expense for their 2014 season. This season will include four Children's Theatre musical productions, the Fiddler's Contest, and two art exhibition spaces, the Wheeler Gallery and the new School House Gallery.

Evansville Arts Coalition

Douglas County

\$640

To fund a portion of their property and general liability insurance policy. This year they will be featuring exhibits, art programming, coffee house concerts, open mic events, and much more.

Henning Landmark Center

Otter Tail County

\$3,510

To fund the Executive Director's salary to research and create an artists retreat center at the Landmark Center. This may take the form of workshops hosted by Landmark or the artists themselves, or possibly just a place for an artist to get away to work, away from the demands of everyday life. The Center will be featuring a number of art exhibits, workshops, and art events in 2014.

Prairie Wind Players Community Thea-

tre

Grant County

\$5,000

To cover the cost of upgrading the theatre's lighting and sound systems in order to enhance the audience's theatrical experiences. The remaining amount will be directed towards a portion of the heating and cooling expenses for the coming 2014 season which includes four theatrical productions and additional concerts and events..

Lakes Chamber Music Society

Douglas County

\$2,900

To pay a portion of the Artistic Director's salary, Nathan Doege in 2014. The Chamber will be presenting four professional chamber music concerts during August 2014, bringing in exceptional talent from around the region.

Prairie Renaissance Cultural Alliance

Stevens County

\$4,100

To cover the administrative expenses to contract with individuals who will tell the PRCA story - through social media, the internet, newsletters, bulletins, radio and print in the coming year. In 2014, PRCA will feature exhibits, art workshops for all ages, concerts and art events.