

FY 2004 Annual Report

EAST CENTRAL ARTS COUNCIL

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EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL ARTS COUNCIL

Final Report for Fiscal Year 2004

GENERAL OVERVIEW

The Mission of the East Central Arts Council is to improve the quality and quantity of arts experiences in Region 7E (Pine, Isanti, Chisago, Kanabec, and Mille Lacs Counties in East Central Minnesota) by facilitating the development of arts organizations and by promoting the growth of individual artists. The East Central Arts Council, a program of the East Central Regional Development Commission, accomplishes its mission through the implementation of programs and services identified in its biennial plan.

Goals of the ECAC include improving the arts experiences in the region, increasing awareness of the arts, making the arts available to those who desire exposure to the arts, and promoting greater communication among the community of artists and art organizations. Carrying out the responsibilities of a regional arts council, the ECAC was involved in work activities designed to meet these goals.

During FY 2004 the East Central Arts Council approved a total of 19 requests for funding to organizations under the categories of Arts Project Assistance, Art In Our Schools, and the Small Grants Program. The total amount funded was \$37,710. Types of projects funded included theatre, visual arts, folk dance, studio tours, programs for youth, and others. A total of \$5,000 was made available under direct programming to sponsor the regional art exhibition, IMAGE 2004. Thousands of artists and/or residents benefit from grant projects, programs, and the services of the East Central Arts Council. Grant workshops were held to assist organizational grant applicants.

Important to note is that once again a high number of Small Grants and Arts In Our Schools grants were awarded. The Council, in previous years, made significant changes to these programs which has made them more accessible. These have proven to be very beneficial changes. It is expected that these programs will continue to be utilized by the arts community in the region.

The Council also approved grants totaling \$14,852 to individual artists under the ECAC-McKnight Individual Artist Grant and Artist Fellowship Programs. \$2,497 was awarded to youth under the ECAC-McKnight Scholarship Program. Grant workshops were held to assist possible Individual Artist Grant applicants.

The Arts Council also continues to provide other important services for the region. The East Central Regional Development Commission newsletter was published with ECAC programming highlighted. This provides the region with information about the Arts Council's programs, constituent highlights, resources available to the arts community,

and unique regional projects. We also continued the *Essential Arts* e-newsletter. The e-newsletter is a monthly e-mail focused on ECAC activities and opportunities but it also includes interesting arts issues and arts news. We decided to focus on an e-newsletter because it has some distinct advantages: timeliness and cost. Finally, work continues on the Arts Council website www.region7erdc.org.

Legislative funds through the MN State Arts Board continue to be the cornerstone for the implementation of East Central Arts Council programs in Region 7E.

IMPACT

19 area arts organizations, schools, community groups, etc., were enabled to provide new and/or additional arts programming as a result of receiving technical assistance and funding provided through the EC RDC Arts Council program.

100 Area artists were provided opportunities to show/display their art through the IMAGE Art Show sponsored event during FY2004. 17 individual artists received ECAC grant funds to either further their artistic career or for a specific arts project.

Approximately 300 artists and 1500 others interested in the arts/arts activities became more informed about local and regional arts activities and opportunities through public service announcements, e-newsletters, outreach activities, the website, direct mailings, and other activities of the Arts Council.

Residents of the East Central Region benefitted by having opportunities to view/participate in arts programming supported by Arts Council funding.

10% for CHILDREN REPORT

The East Central Arts Council supported programming for children with the various organizational grants programs. A total of 28% of the 2004 state allocation (\$101,881) was awarded by the ECAC for children/youth programming. This is a total of \$29,024 of the grants having children as the primary focus. Please see the attachment for details. TOTAL STATE FUNDS EXPENDED ON PROGRAMMING FOR CHILDREN/YOUTH: \$29,024 or 28%

In addition, the ECAC-McKnight Scholarship Program funded \$2,497 in grants with youth as the grant recipient for an arts based project/camp.



DIRECT PROGRAMMING

Regional Art Exhibition - Image

Image 2004, the 18th annual regional art show, was held in Pine City at the Northwest Company Fur Post (a Minnesota Historical Society site.) The show judge was Mary Hark with the Penland School of Crafts. This was a joint project held in collaboration with both the Pine City Arts Council and the Fur Post and ECAC provided assistance.

EVALUATION/MONITORING OF GRANTS

The East Central Arts Council follows a multi-step process regarding grant reviews and evaluation. Staff initially works with applicants whose applications need revisions. Applications are then submitted to the Arts Council and are reviewed individually during the grant round. Applications are ranked/prioritized according to criteria published in the Program Information. Funding is allocated based on the ranking. Grants approved by the Arts Council are then submitted to the East Central Regional Development Commission for final approval.

Grantees are required to submit a final report within 60 days of the completed project. The Arts Program Manager and the RDC's Financial Officer conduct reviews of final reports. Arts Program funding is included in the annual audit of the East Central Regional Development Commission.

East Central Arts Council Final Report Fiscal Year 2004 Results of Work Program

OVERALL PROGRAM FOCUS

To provide resources and carry out activities as outlined in the approved Regional Arts Plan which benefit the artists, arts organizations, and promote the arts in general, in Region 7E.

OBJECTIVE I - Provide Grant Programs that allow for the production or sponsorship of art by organizations, communities, schools, artists, and youth.

Work Elements:

- 1) Conducted two grant reviews for arts organization projects.
- 2) Conducted Small Grant program to fund projects that are sudden opportunities.
- 3) Provided the Art In Our Schools program, which provides funding for arts project within educational facilities.
- **4)** Held grant rounds for project applications from individual artists for project grants. (McKnight Funding)
- **5)** Conducted a fellowship program to fund artistic fellowships on an annual basis. (McKnight Funding)
- 6) Continued to sponsor annual scholarship program for K 12 students. (McKnight Funding)
- 7) Provided technical assistance and funds for Image, the regional art exhibition.
- **8)** Utilized the Minnesota State Arts Board Information System Database to track grant applicants and to report activity.
- **9)** Kept records of all grant activities through grant file documentation.
- 10) Evaluated programs and implement needed changes.

OBJECTIVE II - Provide technical workshop opportunities for artists and arts organizations.

Work Elements:

- 11) Distributed arts resource information as needed and requested.
- 12) Provided an arts information area in the ECRDC offices.
- **13)** Provide services and technical assistance for www.mnartists.org. (McKnight funding)

- **14)** Provided ACCESS E-Commerce training for regional artists. This was a series of 4 workshops with training and curriculum provided by the University of Minnesota Extension Educators.
- **15)** Provided ACCESS E-Commerce training for regional art organizations. This was a series of 4 workshops with training and curriculum provided by the University of Minnesota Extension Educators.
- 16) Provided grant workshops for artists and arts organizations.

OBJECTIVE III - Provide staffing for technical support and other services to artists and art organizations in the Region.

Work Elements:

- 17) Provided technical assistance to applicants in all funding program areas.
- **18)** Continued to develop working relationships with minority artists living in the region.
- **19)** Continued the working relationship with the VSA MN to assist the Council in serving disabled artists and patrons in the region.
- **20)** Continued to arrange for the use of the Walker Display standards and pedestals for artist/art organization use. (McKnight funding)
- **21)** Continued to work on the mail and e-mail distribution list for delivery of public service announcements.
- 22) Continued the e-newsletter Essential Arts and continue to improve the ECAC website.
- **23)** Participated in the arts leadership activities including participating in meetings and activities of the Regional Arts Council Forum, Minnesota Rural Partners, and the Minnesota State Arts Board including the Statewide Audience Development Initiative.
- **24)** Completed all necessary annual reports to the Minnesota State Arts Board and The McKnight Foundation.
- 25) Conducted the Arts Needs Assessment, evaluate all program areas, and hold discussions to determine the best programming for the region. Worked with consultant Julie Larson and Minnesota Rural Partners on the Needs Assessment.
- **26)** Researched and disseminated various foundation and governmental grant opportunities for the purpose of expanding arts opportunities in the region.

Annual Final RAC Report

East Central Arts Council- Region 7E Fiscal Year 2004

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Grantee	ä	City	Request	Grant	Percent for Youth
04-7E-20					
Isanti County	Spanish Club	Grandy	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	90
04-7E-21					
Mora CAPP		Mora	\$4,900.00	\$4,900.00	45
04-7E-22					
Cambridge-Is	anti Performing A	rts Cambridge	\$4,760.00	\$4,760.00	0
04-7E-23					
Chisago Lake	s Area Schools	Lindstrom	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	95
04-7E-24					
Audubon Cer	iter of the N. Woo	ds Sandstone	\$4,500.00	\$3,320.00	95
Total				\$22,9	80

Not Funded

Applicant	City	Request	Grant
Lindstrom Park Comn	Lindstrom	\$3,567.00	\$0.00
St Croix Center for the Arts	Taylors Falls	\$2,475.00	\$0.00
Franconia Sculpture Park	Shafer	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Onamia Public Schools	Onamia	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
Audubon Center of the N. Wo	oods Sandstone	\$4,800.00	\$0.00
St Croix Valley Orchestra	Lindstrom	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
St Croix Valley Orchestra	Lindstrom	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Braham Pie Day	Braham	\$4,625.00	\$0.00

IMAGE Art Show Grant

	Grantee	City	Request	Grant	Percent for Youth
	IMAGE 2004				
	Pine City Arts Council	Pine City	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	40
Total				\$5,00	0

Small Grants for Organizations

	Grantee	City	Request	Grant	Percent for Youth
	04-7E-01				
	Kanabec County Historical Soci	ety Mora	\$500.00	\$500.00	0
	04-7E-02				
	Chisago County Historical Societ 04-7E-03	ety Lindstrom	\$500.00	\$500.00	0
	Mora CAPP	Mora	\$290.00	\$290.00	90
	04-7E-04				
	Autumn Winds Studio Tour	Bruno	\$500.00	\$500.00	0
	04-7E-05				
	Lindstrom Park Comn	Lindstrom	\$500.00	\$460.00	90
	04-7E-06				
	Kanabec County Artists Assoc.	BrookPark	\$500.00	\$500.00	0
Total				\$2,75	0
	Not Funded				
	Applicant	City	Request	Grant	
	Isanti County Historical Society	Cambridge	\$500.00	\$0.00	

ECAC FY 2004 ORGANIZATION GRANT APPLICATION SUMMARY:

Total Applications:	31
Projects Funded:	19
Total Amount Requested:	\$67,557
Total Project Costs of Grants Awarded:	\$80,364
Arts Projects Assistance Grants Awarded:	\$22,980
IMAGE Art Show Awarded:	\$5,000
Small Grants Program Awarded:	\$2,750
Art In Our Schools Grants Awarded:	\$6,980
Total Grants Awarded to Organizations:	\$37,710

EC	AC - McKnight Fellov	vship		
	Grantee	City	Request	Grant
	04-F-01			
	Raivo, Keith	Brook	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
	04-F-02			
	Wingert, Claudia	Bruno	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Total				\$6,000
	Not Funded			
	Applicant	City	Request	Grant
	Doering, Dawn	Lindstrom	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
	Nieboer,Roger	Mora	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
	LeTourneau, Anthony	Hinckley	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
EC	AC - McKnight Indivi	dual. Artist G	Grant	
	Grantee	City	Request	Grant
	04-I-01			
	Kotaska, Dee	Brook Park	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	04-I-02			
	Wood, Gloria	Cambridge	\$899.00	\$899.00
	04-I-03			
	Larson, Kenneth	Sturgeon Lake	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	04-1-04			
	LeTourneau, Anthony	Hinckley	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	04-I-05			
	Gulliver, Tracy	Chisago City	\$751.00	\$751.00
	04-I-06			
	Doering, Dawn	Lindstrom	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	04-I-07			
	Foster, Angela	Pine City	\$1,000.00	\$705.00
Total				\$6,355
	Not Funded			
	Applicant	City	Request	Grant
	Fait, Margaret	Pine City	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
	LeBrun, Traci	Mora	\$266.00	\$0.00

ECAC - McKnight Scholarship						
	Grantee	City	Request	Grant		
04-S-01						
	Schwanke, Christen	Cambridge	\$422.00	\$422.00		
04-S-02						
	Gahm, Noah	Milaca	\$500.00	\$500.00		
04-S-03						
	Haggenmiller, Anna	Mora	\$500.00	\$500.00		
04-S-04						
	Johnston, Sarah	Braham	\$500.00	\$400.00		
04-S-05						
	Johnson, Bradle	Braham	\$250.00	\$200.00		
04-S-06						
	Cheney, Leah	Mora	\$500.00	\$175.00		
04-S-07						
	Neil, Amber	Mora	\$500.00	\$150.00		
04-S-08						
	Neil, Kelly	Mora	\$500.00	\$150.00		
Total				\$2,497		

Summary of 2004 ECAC/McKnight Awards to Individual Artists:

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Total Applications Received:
Applications Funded:
Total Amount Requested: \$26

\$26,588 **Total Awards to Individual Artists:** \$14,852

10% for Kids Grantee List REGION 7E - FY 2004

Applicant ECAC Program/Project	City	ECAC Grant	Percent for Children
CHISAGO COUNTY North Branch High School Art In Our Schools	North Branch	\$1,000	100%
Chisago Lakes Area Schools	Lindstrom	\$5,000	95%
Arts Project Grant Lindstrom Park Commission Small Grant	Lindstrom	\$460	90%
ISANTI COUNTY Braham Area Schools	Braham	\$1000	100%
Art In Our Schools Isanti County Spanish Club	Grandy	\$5,000	90%
Arts Project Grant Cambridge-Isanti Community Edu Arts Project Grant	ucation Cambridge	\$4,760	100%
KANABEC COUNTY Fairview Elementary School Art In Our Schools	Mora	\$1,000	100%
Trailview Middle School Art In Our Schools	Mora	\$1,000	100%
Mora CAPP	Mora	\$4,900	45%
Arts Project Grant Mora CAPP Small Grant	Mora	\$290	90%
MILLE LACS COUNTY Mille Lacs Academy School	Onamia	\$980	100%
Art In Our Schools IREC Art In Our Schools	Isle	\$1,000	100%
PINE COUNTY Willow River Schools	Willow River	\$1,000	100%
Art In Our Schools Audubon Center of the North Woo	odsSandstone	\$3,320	95%
Arts Project Grant IMAGE Art Show 2004 Arts Project Grant	Pine City	\$5,000	40%
	CAC State Allocaten's Programming		SUMMARY \$101,881 \$29,024

Percent for Children

28%

East Central Arts Council

9/04 Member Listing

Chisago County

Sandra Achterling Borning Visual Artist & Art Advocate 769 492nd Street West Stanchfield, MN 55080 Phone: 763-689-6523

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1st Term Ended: 8/02 2nd Term Ends: 8/04 3rd Term Ends: 8/06

VACANCY

Pine County

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T J Musgrove Vice Chair

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(320) 629-7541 x33 E-Mail: tim@cbresults.com 1st Term Ends: 8/04

2nd Term Ends: 8/06

Isanti County

Gailyn Holmgren

Chair

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Kanabec County

Colleen Hendershot DeJong

Visual Artist, Musician, and Kanabec County Artist

Asso.

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Mille Lacs County

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EAST CENTRAL ARTS COUNCIL FY2004 AUDITED REPORT REGIONAL BLOCK GRANT SUMMARY JULY 1, 2003-JUNE 30, 2004

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REVENUES

2004 REVENUES

State Arts Board	\$	101,881.00
McKnight Arts	\$	20,000.00
State Arts FY2003 Carryover	\$	4,599.74
Arts Projects Refund	\$	864.23
Income-Other	\$	187.87
RAC Forum	\$	619.91
Registrations	\$	360.00
RDC Cash	\$	8,342.19
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	136,854.94
EXPENDITURES-MSAB	2004 AUDITED EXPENSES	
I. GENERAL ADMINSTRATION & FUNDRAISING		
A. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
Salary	\$	4,860.19
Fringe Benefits	\$	1,208.15
Cell Phone	\$	5.93
Postage	\$	2.84
Travel	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	283.01
Registrations	\$	30.00
Misc.	\$	1.50
Advisory Committee	\$	1,149.85
Indirect Costs	\$	3,873.35
TOTAL ADMINSTRATION	\$ \$ \$	11,414.82
B. FUNDRAISING		
Salary	\$	3,240.12
Fringe	\$	805.42
Regional Arts Survey	\$	4,607.98
Indirect	\$	2,582.24
TOTAL FUNDRAISING	\$	11,235.76
II. GRANTS PROGAM & SERVICES		
A. GRANTS ADMINISTRATION		
Salary	\$	19,440.75
Fringe Benefits	\$	4,832.59
Cell Phone	\$	100.88
Postage	\$	42.68
Supplies	\$	209.90
Travel	\$	235.84
Misc.	\$	3.00
Advisory Committee	\$	1,149.84
Indirect Costs	\$	15,493.42
TOTAL GRANTS ADMINISTRATION	\$	41,508.90
B. GRANTS		
Image Arts Show	\$	5,000.00
Small Arts	\$	2,750.00
Arts in our Schools	\$	6,980.00
Arts Organization Grants	\$	22,980.00
TOTAL GRANTS	\$	37,710.00
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III. NON-GRANT PROGRAM (TECHNICAL ASST.)	
Salary	\$ 4,860.19
Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,208.15
Cell Phone	\$ 11.87
Postage	\$ 11.38
Printing-Newsletters	\$ 138.88
Supplies	\$ 209.90
Travel	\$ 424.51
Registrations	\$ 30.00
Misc.	\$ 1.50
Memberships	\$ 244.00
RAC Forums	\$ 787.55
Indirect Costs	\$ 3,873.35
TOTAL NON-GRANT PROGRAMS	\$ 11,801.28
TOTAL MSAB EXPENDITURES	\$ 113,670.76
IV. MCKNIGHT-ARTS EXPENDITURES	\$ 23,184.18
TOTAL MSAB AND MCKNIGHT EXPENDITURES	\$ 136,854.94

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